

**Vision Statement:**

**We see a Jesus-orientated church having a passion for the Gospel and compassion for the world expressed through dynamic worship, love in action, the empowering of the servant leaders and the growing of disciples.**

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**I am available in the event of emergencies at any time, but other than that would appreciate not receiving calls on Wednesdays, where possible, as this is my day off.**

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**This Week's Roster**

**18th October, 2020**

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Ceri**  
Leader (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
Welcome: **Marshals**  
Duty Elder: **Council**  
Reader: **Chris H.**  
Musician: **Heather**  
Stewards: **Council**  
Manager: **Council**  
Crèche: **Ailsa**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **\*\*\*\*\***  
Audio Desk: **Rykhardt**  
Camera Operator: **Tim**  
Computer: **Ralph**  
Overflow Overseer: **Ruan**  
Cleaning: **Council**

**Next Week's Roster**

**25th October, 2020**

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Jonathan**  
Leader (pm): **Jonathan**  
Welcome: **Marshals**  
Duty Elder: **Council**  
Reader: **Chris DeB.**  
Musician: **Pat**  
Stewards: **Council**  
Manager: **Council**  
Crèche: **Lucinda**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **\*\*\*\*\***  
Audio Desk: **Rykhardt & Ruan**  
Camera Operator: **Ralph**  
Computer: **Ruan & James**  
Overflow Overseer: **Tim**  
Cleaning: **Council**

**Have you considered E-giving?**

**Envelopes with an "E" on the front, prayer requests or thanks can be placed in the offering bags on a Sunday morning.**

**Our bank details are as follows:**

**BSB 805-007 Account Number: 00702729 Credit Union SA**

**Please speak to Chris Holroyd if you require more information.**

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Keeping in touch with the G.G.U.C. family

[www.goldengroveuniting.org.au](http://www.goldengroveuniting.org.au)

Sunday, 18th October, 2020

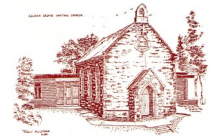
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Preacher: **Jonathan**

Theme: **Emptied that we might be filled**

New Testament Readings: **Philippians 2: 1-13 and Matthew 22: 15-22**

**Mission Statement: To draw people**



to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church

**I Hate Change!**

Yes I do... My personal preference as a minister is to wear clerical clothing. Up until recent years I always wore a clerical collar for worship and preaching. When I commenced ministry I always wore a clerical alb and stole. My preference in worship is for the older and ancient hymn traditions of the church. But as time has gone on, I realised that I needed to accept change.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ desires to bring more and more people to Christian faith and the Church until the end of the present age. In Australia's very secular society most people do not come from Christian traditions, and so the traditions of the church seem strange and they find it difficult to understand or relate to them. This also makes it difficult for them to hear and believe the Christian Gospel.

Jesus criticised the Pharisees – the 'church-goers' of the day – for letting their religious traditions get in the way of the good news reaching the lost (Mt 9:11-15; 23:13).

The Christian Gospel never changes, but our traditions do and must change for the sake of the Gospel.

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While holding absolutely to the truth of God, we need to allow our traditions to change so that those who do not have Christian faith find it easier to understand and relate to the Church, and to hear and believe the Christian Gospel.

As we embrace change for the sake of the Gospel, we will discover that all the riches of God's grace in Jesus Christ will fill, and overflow in, us so much that we have actually lost nothing, and gained everything!

*Grace upon grace, Jonathan*

### Today's Hymns and Songs

Come as you are (Together in Song 693)

Fill my whole life, O Lord my God (Together in Song 596)

Just as I am (Together in Song 584)

How firm a foundation (Together in Song 578)

Come, people of the risen King (Getty Hymn Book)

Emptied that we might be filled (Praise and Worship 556)

Behold the Lamb (Getty Hymn Book)

There is a Redeemer (Praise and Worship 723)

*Churchgoers attending Holy Communion in a Devon parish have been asked to be a little more abstemious when they approach the altar. "Take only a small sip of the wine," the vicar urged. "You do not get any more of God by taking a large gulp." (The Reverend David Niblett: Daily Telegraph: 14th April, 1987)*

*"The Holy Spirit writes his own gospel and he writes it in the hearts of the faithful." (Jean-Pierre de Caussade: 1675-1751: French Jesuit priest)*

### SPRING HAS WELL AND TRULY SPRUNG

- **Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 18th October: 10.00 am**
- **Monday Morning KYB: 19th October: 10.00 am**
- **Friday Morning *mainly music*: 23rd October: 9.30 am**
- **Sunday Morning Worship: 25th October: 10.00 am**
- **Sunday Evening Café Church: 25th October: 6.00 pm**
- **Monday Morning KYB: 26th October: 10.00 am**
- **Friday Morning *mainly music*: 30th October: 9.30 am**
- **Sunday Morning Worship: 1st November: 10.00 am**
- **Monday Morning KYB: 2nd November: 10.00 am**
- **Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 5th November: 1.30 pm**
- **Friday Morning *mainly music*: Friday, 6th November: 9.30 am**
- **Working Bee: Saturday, 7th November: 8.00 am**

### Information of Further Consequence

- ***mainly music***: The *mainly music* team would like to thank the members of the congregation for bringing their empty egg cartons and ice cream containers. Thank you for your wonderful support, but we now have plenty of them.
- **Holy Communion**: Holy Communion is being held today, Sunday, 18th October. Please place your donations for families in need in the containers provided before or after Worship. Thank you for always supporting the more impoverished in our community.

### Operation Christmas Child

October is the deadline for those generous persons, who have promised to fill shoeboxes. Coral will be expecting to demand them from you very soon, Thank you so much to those who are helping to make Christmas a happier time for needy children.



### Philippines Sponsorship

*During the disruptions of the past quarter, and particularly the absence of the physical Philippines jars, I was concerned that our “anonymous sponsors” may not be able to cover the needs of Febie and Jonel.*

*However, I should have had more faith: sufficient money was donated for both children!*

*Thank you again to our generous sponsors, those both known and unknown.*

*Incidentally, if you wish to compromise your identity a little, give me your e-mail address and I'll ask Luciano to include you in his mailing list ((fortnightly pictures of your donations at work).*

*(Gordon Cooksey)*

### Step toe and His Son Have Not Retired

Yes, after a hiatus of several weeks, the famous pair (Ray and Neil) have returned to business. While they continue to roam the streets in pursuit of likely suspects, we are also able to help by surrendering our pre-loved metals. Much thanks to the workers and the contributors.



### A Message from the Elders

Ever experienced a thought or mental image that seemed to come at just the right time, allowing you to provide insight into a situation and help another person doing it tough? This knowledge would be based on something that you did not learn, read or hear anywhere else before.

Acts 5:1-11 tells the story of a married couple who wanted to impress their fellow believers with their generosity to the church, by publicly stating that they were donating all the proceeds from the sale of property to the church, when in fact they kept a portion for themselves. Nobody knew of their deception, except God, who knows everything.

God provided the apostle Peter with a Word of Knowledge, allowing Peter to become aware of the deception. Peter confronted the couple, and subsequently Ananias and his wife Sapphira came under the judgement of God.

The Holy Spirit gives different spiritual gifts to every believer, to empower us to serve God in different ways and to build up His church by sharing our gifts and helping others. There are nine Gifts of the Spirit listed in 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 of which the second is listed as Word of Knowledge.

Our church elders are: Jonathan, Andrew, Cath, Ray and Rykhardt.

### Information of Continuing Consequence

- **Used Stamps:** Please remember to place all of your used stamps in the box on the table at the back of the hall. Joyce Ellicott continues to process them while she is in a state of hibernation, or internment, or incarceration in the Helping Hand Centre. These stamps continue to raise welcome money for Frontier Services. Thank you so much for your support.
- **Pre-loved Aluminium Ring Pulls:** Max is keen to grab all the cans and bottles in your possession at ten cents a time, in order to raise money for the church. Please do your best to remove the ring pulls beforehand, as Neil is able to gain more funds for us by passing them on to someone he knows. There is a box on the table at the back of the hall in which to deposit these little treasures. Thank you for more good work.

**THE COMMUNION HYMN**

**Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
Slain for us - and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.**

**So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.**

**The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you - eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one.**

**So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King.**

**The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
Shed for you - drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.**

**So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King.**

**And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond, - and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.**

**As we share in His suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King.**

Keith and Kristyn Getty (2008)