### **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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#### This Week's Roster

#### 21st February, 2021

Preacher: Rev. Gordon Leader (am): \*\*\*\*\* Leader (pm): Coral Marshal (Church): Marshal (Hall): Cath Reader: Coral Brunetta Musician: \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Stewards: \*\*\*\*\*\*\* Manager: Tina & Katherine Kidz Connect:

### Next Week's Roster

#### 28th February, 2021

Rev. Ross Preacher: Leader (am): Rev. Ross David M. Leader (pm): Marshal (Church): Andrew Marshal (Hall): Neil Reader: Chris DeB. Pat Musician: \*\*\*\*\*\*\* Stewards: \*\*\*\*\* Manager: Sandy & Trevor Kidz Connect: Morning Tea: Ralph & Rykhardt Audio Desk: Rykhardt Camera Operator: Ruan & James Computer: Overflow Overseer: Lucinda Coral & Neil Cleaning: \*\*\*\*\*\*

## **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.

## Golden Grove Gazette

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

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Sunday, 21st February, 2021

First Sunday in Lent

Preacher: Reverend Gordon

Theme: The Baptism of Jesus

Gospel Reading: Mark 1: 9-15

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ



and nurture them through our church

## A Message from the Elders

Lent is a time for spiritual examination. A time to seriously consider the integrity of our relationship with the Holy Father and to re-align ourselves with what God wants for us. It is also a time to reflect on the finished work of Jesus Christ - His eternal victory over sin and death (1 Peter 3:18).

Many Christians use fasting, as well as giving up certain luxuries and leading a simpler life, as a practical way to take part in Lent and renew their relationship with God. Some fast by eliminating the amount and type of meals eaten during Lent, whilst others give up luxuries such as chocolate, coffee, tea, alcohol and take-away food. For others Lenten fasting also includes limiting screen time, giving up or limiting the use of social media and not taking part in negative talk, sarcasm or criticism for the 40-day period. (Read Mark 1 9-15.)

Take some time this week to closely examine your own life. Think about the things you repeatedly do that keep you from having a closer relationship with the Father. Read the words of Psalm 25 as if they are your own words. Read them as an honest prayer of confession to God.

Our church elders are: Ross, Cath, Ceri, Ray and Rykhardt.

### **ATTENTION**

On Tuesday night 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021, at 7.00 pm, a Budget meeting will be held for members of the congregation to ask any questions regarding the 2021 Budget. The books are just waiting to be audited, and, when that is finalised, we will be having our AGM in early March, on a date to be advised.

Reports for the AGM will be received from the Minister, Treasurer, Elders and Church Council Chairperson, as most groups could not met in 2020 because of the COVID-19. However, if you feel you would still like to write a report, please feel free to do so.

Please e-mail reports to Cath no later than 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

## Prayer Chain

At Golden Grove we have several opportunities for prayer, either for ourselves or for others: -

- prayers before and after our Sunday worship service,
- Thursday morning prayer group meeting at the church from 8.00 am to 9.00 am,
- and also our prayer chain.

Our prayer chain works in the following way. A prayer request is given to me and then passed on to the members of our prayer chain; all members keep this confidential and add the person or situation to our daily prayers. We have 14 congregation members, plus our minister, as part of the prayer chain. If you would like to know more about how it works, or become part of the prayer chain please come and speak to me.

(Ray Holroyd: Prayer Chain Convener)

# The Season of Lent

The first Sunday in Lent is 21st February, with the sixth Sunday (Palm Sunday) being on 28th March.

Lenten boxes are on the table at the back of the hall for anyone who would like to take one home and return it on 28th March.

Thank you.

# OUR SUMMERY AND AUTUMNAL DIARY DATES

- First Sunday in Lent: 21st February
- Sunday Morning Worship: 21st February: 10.00 am
- KYB: Monday, 22nd February: 10.00 am to 11.30 am (Meeting Room)
- Finance Meeting: Tuesday, 23rd February: 7.00 pm (Hall)
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 25th February: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- mainly music: Friday, 26th February: 9.30 am to 11.30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 28th February: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 28th February: 6.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 1st March: 10.00 am to 11.30 am (Meeting Room)
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 4th March: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 4th March: 1.00 pm
- mainly music: Friday, 5th March: 9.30 am to 11.30 am
- Working Bee: Saturday, 6th March: 8.00 am
- Deadline for Reports: Saturday, 6th March

### **Women's Fellowship**

At the meeting on Thursday, 4th March, we shall need to finalise the programme for 2021. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please do not bring any nibbles. They are forbidden.

# **Special Vanuatu Service at St Mark's**

A special service will be held at the church on Friday, 5th March, at 1.30 pm. Please look at the flyer on the hall notice board for more details.

## Recycling

There are now four colourful and labelled boxes on the hall table for the depositing of used stamps, aluminium ring pulls, plastic bottle tops and plastic bread bag tags. The last two items are used in the manufacture of prosthetic limbs and wheelchair wheels.

# Thank You, Ross

Ross, the residents and staff at Estia were delighted with your lovely contribution to the January and February church services. Thank you very much.