

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.

Reverend Jonathan Button can be contacted at j.button@bigpond.com.

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

28th February, 2021

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

Next Week's Roster

7th March, 2021

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Kathryn**
Leader (pm): *********
Marshal (Church): **Chris H.**
Marshal (Hall): **Rykhardt**
Reader: **Chris H.**
Musician: **Heather**
Stewards: *********
Manager: *********
Kidz Connect: **Michelle & Tina**
Morning Tea: *********
Audio Desk: **Ruan**
Camera Operator: **Ralph**
Computer: **Lucinda**
Overflow Overseer: **Rykhardt**
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.

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Sunday, 28th February, 2021

Second Sunday in Lent

Preacher: **James**

Theme: **Journey to the Cross**

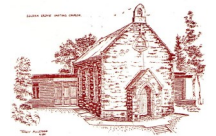
Gospel Readings: **Mark 8: 13-38 and Mark 9: 2-9**

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church



Where it all begins

Jesus' public ministry began with his baptism by John and confrontation with Satan in the wilderness. Unlike our own experience, his baptism could not deliver anything to Jesus that he did not already have. His baptism was for us. Jesus chose to be baptised in obedience to the Father's command (Matthew 3:15). Humility. *"In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant..." (Philippians 2:5-7).*

Perhaps we pay too much attention to getting our relationship right with God. More often than not, we need to revisit our own starting point – complete submission to the will of God. *"A humble person is not one who thinks little of himself, hangs his head and says, 'I am nothing'. Rather, he is one who depends wholly on the Lord for everything, in every circumstance (David Wilkerson).*

I leave you with a final quotation from A.W.Tozer. *"For the Christian, humility is absolutely indispensable. Without it there can be no self-knowledge, no repentance, no faith and no salvation.*

Realise your dependence upon God. Submit to whatever God is doing in your life right now. Every blessing as you take that step.

Rev. Ross



A Message from the Elders

"What is prayer, then, in the fullest sense? Prayer is continuing a conversation that God has started through His Word and His grace, which eventually becomes a full encounter with Him." - Timothy Keller (*Prayer*)

Here are some of the formal opportunities available for prayer at our church:

- Pre-service Prayer Time - Sunday mornings before worship, from 9.00 am, in the meeting room,
- Post-service Prayer Time - In the church directly after the service each Sunday morning,
- Café Church - 6.00 pm each second Sunday of the month,
- Thursday Prayers - In the meeting room each Thursday between 8.00 am and 9.00 am,
- Prayer Chain - Contact Ray Holroyd to find out more,
- Prayer Request Cards - Available in the church and also on the back hall table - complete and lodge in the offering bag or the mail box on the back hall table.

You don't have to wait for one of the above mentioned opportunities to respond to God. Talk to Jesus at any time: when you wake, when you go for a walk, when you sit down for a meal and before you go to sleep. A prayer can sometimes be as simple as: "Lord, thank you for this day..." Read the words from Luke 11:1-13, in which Jesus teaches His disciples how to pray.

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

Philippines Child Education Scheme

Your March quarter sponsorship is now due.
Thank you for your continuing support of this important outreach.
Gordon Cooksey.

OUR SUMMERY AND AUTUMNAL DIARY DATES

- 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
- 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
- Sunday Morning Worship: 7th March: 10.00 am
- Public Holiday: Monday, 8th March
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 11th March: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- *mainly music*: Friday, 12th March: 9.30 am to 11.30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 14th March: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 14th March: 6.00 pm

Women's Fellowship

At the meeting on this Thursday, 4th March, we shall need to finalise the programme for 2021. All ladies are most welcome.

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, thank you very much to you and Lorraine for sharing worship and church life with us over the past two months, during Jonathan's absence. May God continue to walk with you and bless you.