

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

25th April, 2021

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Jonathan**
Leader (pm): **David M.**
Marshal (Church): **Ray**
Marshal (Hall): **Neil**
Reader: **Kathryn**
Musician: **Pat**
Stewards: *********
Manager: *********
Kidz Connect: **Vacation**
Morning Tea: *********
Audio Desk: **Ralph & Lucinda**
Camera Operator: **Ruan**
Computer: **Rykhardt & James**
Overflow Overseer: **Lucinda**
Cleaning: **Barb & Patrick**

Next Week's Roster

2nd May, 2021

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Ceri**
Leader (pm): *********
Marshal (Church): **Andrew**
Marshal (Hall): **Rykhardt**
Reader: **Barrie**
Musician: **Heather**
Stewards: *********
Manager: *********
Kidz Connect: **Tina**
Morning Tea: *********
Audio Desk: **Ruan**
Camera Operator: **Tim**
Computer: **James**
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, 25th April, 2021

ANZAC Day

Preacher: **Jonathan**

Theme: **The Transformation of the Resurrection Body**

Gospel Reading: **John 20: 19-31**

Mission Statement: To draw people

to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church



Love & War

The Miracle on the River Kwai, written by Ernest Gordon, is one of the most remarkable stories of the Second World War.

The conditions for Allied prisoners in the Japanese prisoner-of-war camp on the River Kwai were so abysmal, and the mortality so high, that the men became almost bestial in their selfishness. They did not shrink from stealing food from their dying mates in a desperate attempt to survive.

The 'miracle' was the transformation of attitudes in that camp as people in it began to understand and respond to the love of Christ. How did that begin to get through to men in such desperate conditions? It all started with a Scotsman, Angus McGilvray, who literally gave his life for his friend. The friend was very ill and about to die. Someone had stolen his blanket. Angus gave him his own. Someone had stolen his food. Angus gave him his own. The result? Angus' friend got better. But Angus collapsed one day from starvation and exhaustion, and died.

May we receive and celebrate the self-sacrificial, saving love of Christ at this time!

Grace and peace, Jonathan.



A Message from the Elders

On this ANZAC Sunday, we remember the ultimate sacrifice of the men and women who served our nation in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations and the contribution and suffering of all those who have served. To lay down one's life for another is a sign of real love (1 John 3:16) and there is no greater act of selflessness than this.

Jesus gave us the commandment to love one another (John 13:34-35) as He loves us, so that our actions will show that we are His disciples, His sheep. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for the sheep (John 10:11). He did so willingly (verse 18) and out of love. He did this so that there is forgiveness of sins for all who repent (Luke 24:46-48).

In your prayer time this week, read the words of Psalm 23 as a personal confession of faith to God. Read it to confirm that Jesus is your Good Shepherd and that you are His sheep. Praise the Lord Jesus for His willing sacrifice, standing in our place of judgement. Praise Him for defeating death, granting us salvation by His grace (Ephesians 2:8-10).

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



Women's Fellowship

Our next meeting is at home (i.e. the hall) on 6th May.

Details about a guest speaker are yet to be finalised.

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OUR FUTURE DIARY DATES

- Anzac Day: Sunday, 25th April
- Sunday Morning Worship: 25th April: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 25th April: 6.00 pm
- Additional Public Holiday: Monday, 26th April
- Start Of Term Two: Tuesday, 27th April
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 29th April: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- *mainly music*: Friday, 30th April: 9.30 am to 11.30 am
- Mother's Day: Sunday, 9th May
- Sunday Morning Worship: 9th May: 10.00 am
- Ascension Day: Thursday, 13th May
- Pentecost Sunday: Sunday, 23rd May
- Trinity Sunday and Reconciliation Sunday: Sunday, 30th May

Audio-Visual Team Helpers

Our church Audio-Visual Team is looking for additional helpers in the roles of Computer Operator, Audio Desk Operator, Camera Operator and Video Editor.

If you would like to serve our church in this exciting new ministry or if you would like to know more, please contact Rykhardt Wilkinson (AV-Team Leader).

Communion Sunday Donations for the Needy

As next Sunday is Communion Sunday, please remember to bring your regular donations and place them in the large plastic containers in the hall. Thank you very much.

