

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

22nd August, 2021

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Jonathan**
Leader (pm): **Ross Honey**
Marshal (Church): **Andrew**
Marshal (Hall): **Rykhardt**
Reader: **Chris DeB.**
Musician: **Pat**
Stewards: *********
Manager: *********
Kidz Connect: *********
Morning Tea: *********
Audio Desk: **Ruan & Lucinda**
Camera Operator: **Tim**
Computer Operator: **Ralph & Rykhardt**
Overflow Overseer: **Rykhardt**
Cleaning: *********

Next Week's Roster

29th August, 2021

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Ceri**
Leader (pm): *********
Marshal (Church): **Andrew**
Marshal (Hall): **Cath**
Reader: **Barrie**
Musician: **Brunetta**
Stewards: *********
Manager: *********
Kidz Connect: *********
Morning Tea: *********
Audio Desk: **Ruan**
Camera Operator: **John**
Computer Operator: **Rykhardt**
Overflow Overseer: **Ralph**
Cleaning: *********



Prayer Chain

If you require prayers to be put on the Prayer Chain, can you please contact Ray Holroyd on his mobile only, at **0468 681 497**. Please do not leave messages on the land line until further notice.



Most Important: Could all members of the Prayer Chain, please remember, if they cannot get hold of the next person on the list, they need to make sure they keep passing on the message until someone answers? Thank you, Ray.

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Sunday, 22nd August, 2021

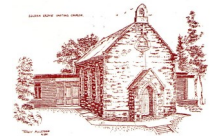
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Preacher: **Jonathan**

Theme: **The Words of Eternal Life**

Gospel Reading: **John 6: 56-59**

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church



God bless you

(Reverend Gordon)

God bless you! We say it under all sorts of circumstances and conditions. We seldom say it mechanically and formally, as other commonplace and oft-repeated expressions, but fervently, wholeheartedly and with a real depth of feeling.

For the celebrant, there comes that poignant moment when, the ceremony over, the register signed and all the formalities completed that the couple are ready to greet their family and friends. Only one thing seems to come naturally – **God bless you!**

There comes the final moment when, the funeral over, and the farewells made, that it is time to leave the sad and broken spirit. What can be helpfully shared in that last final act of parting? Again, only one thing seems to come naturally – **God bless you** – as you hold and shake the mourner's hand.

God gave Moses this blessing for the Israelites: *The LORD bless you and keep you: the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you: the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace* (Numbers 6:24). **God bless you** is a blessing assuring God's people that he will bless them and keep them; showing them his shining face and his overflowing grace; revealing himself in beauty and majesty; and pouring into their troubled hearts the peace that passes all understanding. Wow! What a blessing!

A Message from the Elders

When we hear the word "*armour*", we might think of soldiers wearing defensive attire to protect their bodies in the heat of battle. Special protective clothing, reinforced in the right places, to protect the wearer from injuries that would otherwise have proven fatal. Armour, then, is meant to withstand attack and to provide a reliable measure of defence.

This type of physical protection has been around as long as conflict has been a part of our human existence; and, over the ages, it has been adapted to purpose and made out of a variety of materials to protect both the upper body and the head of the person wearing it. A good example being a mediaeval suit of full plate armour, offering protection to the entire body.

But what if the attack is coming from something other than flesh and blood enemies (Ephesians 6:12)? How can a metal suit of full plate armour protect me from the onslaught of the evil one? The answer is simple: it can't and it won't.

There is but one true suit of armour that would be the only reliable measure of effective defence in this case; and that is "The Armour of God". Read Ephesians 6:10-20.

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

A Note of Thanks

Our church is truly blessed to have such a fantastic audio-visual team. Thank you to our marshals for their tenacity. We greatly appreciate our congregation's support for our recycling ventures. The money raised from the cans and bottles is a wonderful boon to our finances. And, thank you so much to Rev. Gordon for such an inspirational sermon last Sunday.

OUR AUGUST DIARY DATES SPRINGING INTO SEPTEMBER

- Sunday Morning Worship: 22nd August: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 22nd August: 6.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 23rd August: 10.30 am to 11.30 am
- Pastoral Carers Meeting: Tuesday, 24th August: 7.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 26th August: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- *mainly music*: Friday, 27th August: 9.30 am to 11.30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 29th August: 10.00 am
- KYB: Monday, 30th August: 10.30 am to 11.30 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 30th August: 2.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 2nd September: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- *mainly music*: Friday, 3rd September: 9.30 am to 11.30 am
- Working Bee: Saturday, 4th September: 8.00 am
- AV Team Workshop: Saturday, 4th September: 9.30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 5th September: 10.00 am
- Café Youth: Sunday, 5th September: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 6th September: 10.30 am to 11.30 am
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Morning Tea

Morning tea in the hall after worship has been deleted from the menu until we are advised otherwise.

Women's Fellowship

The date of our next gathering is Thursday, 2nd September. The venue is The Gawler cinema complex. The title of the film we are to see is "Dream Horse". The cost is \$15 for seniors or \$17 for those who have not yet passed their "use by date". This includes the movie, morning tea and delicious sandwiches for lunch. Please bring your friends to what promises to be a most enjoyable occasion. We are also supporting a small business in this time of economic crisis.