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.

Church Telephone Number: 8251 4298

This Week's Roster

16th January, 2022

Ian Clarkson Preacher: Leader (am): Neil ***** Leader (pm): Neil Manager: Coral Marshal (Church): Marshal (Hall): Cath Reader: Coral Pat Musician: ****** Kidz Connect: *****

Next Week's Roster

23rd January, 2022

TBA Preacher: Leader (am): TBA ****** Leader (pm): Max Manager: Marshal (Church): Cath Marshal (Hall): Coral Reader: Kathrvn Pat Musician: ******** Kidz Connect: ******** Morning Tea: Rykhardt Audio Desk (am): Audio Desk (pm) Lucinda Camera: Ruan Computer (am): ******* Computer (pm): Renée & Daniel Overflow Overseers:

Have you considered E-giving?

Cleaning:

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 Cath if you require more information.

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Sunday, 16th January, 2022

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Preacher: Ian Clarkson

Theme: Hope that does not disappoint

Bible Readings: Luke 8: 22-25 and Romans 5: 1-11

Mission Statement: To draw people

to our Lord Jesus Christ





and nurture them through our church

THE GOSPEL IN A VERSE

A 'palindrome' is a word, verse or sentence (as "Able was I ere I saw Elba), or a number (as 2002) that reads the same backwards or forwards.

The original members – Agnetha, Bjorn, Benny and Anni, whose first names form the *palindrome* ABBA grew in popularity during their 1972 to '82 hevday.

John 3:16 is known (or should be known), by every Christian. It is a one-sentence summary of the entire biblical message. Christ wasn't sent to judge the world, but to bring salvation. This is an expression of God's incredible love. However, John 3:18 reminds us that those who don't believe are condemned. There is no question that, according to the Bible, people can be saved only through faith in Jesus.

I am unsure whether the following illustration has a name or not, but I have never forgotten it from my youth.

The principal words in John 3:16 are: – God, Only, Son, Perish, Everlasting, Life. When you use the first letter of each word, you form GOSPEL.

The verse emphasises the *degree* to which God loved the world as well as the *way* God chose to express that love – by sending his only Son. This is the *core* or *good news* of the Gospel we share.

(Reverend Gordon)

Psalm 150

Praise the LORD.^[a]

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

- Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.
- Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,
- praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe,
- praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.

Praise the LORD.

Offering Envelopes

If you require offering envelopes for 2022, you can pick them up from the back table in the hall. For members of the Congregation who pay either by direct debit or 'E give', can you please not take envelopes. Just pick up and put in the offering bag the small cards which are in the small baskets on the tables as you come in the Church or the Hall. Thank you, much appreciated.

Minister's Annual Leave

Jonathan is on annual leave from 26th December to 24th January. For any pastoral care or other concerns during this time, please speak with our Administrator, Cath McKechnie, or the Chair of Church Council, Neil Larcombe.

DIARY DATES FOR OUR HOT SUMMER DAYS

- Sunday Morning Worship: 16th January: 10.00 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 20th January: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 23rd January: 10.00 am
- Australia Day: Wednesday, 26th January
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 27th January: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 30th January: 10.00 am
- Special Café Church Service: Sunday, 30th January: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 31st January: 10.30 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: 3rd February: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Working Bee: Saturday, 5th February: 8.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 6th February: 10.00 am
- Café Youth: Sunday, 6th February: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm

Prayers for Chris and Ray Holroyd

Sadly, Chris's beloved father, Ken, after a long illness, went to be with his God last Thursday. Chris and Ray flew out yesterday to be with her mother and family in England. Tragically, the complications created by COVID regulations had delayed their flight by over a week. As members of their church family, would we all please pray for Chris, Ray and their extended family in this time of great sadness? Please pray as well for their safe return from a country where the pandemic is rampant.

Points to Note

- <u>Prayer Chain</u>: As Ray and Chris Holroyd are away until the middle of March, if you need any prayers to be placed on the Prayer Chain, could you please contact Andrew and Sheila MacTier on 8251 0882? Thank you.
- Morning Tea: There will be no morning tea after Worship until further notice.
- <u>Used Stamps</u>: Please continue to bring these stamps for the benefit of Frontier Services. Thank you.