

**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.

**Church Telephone Number: 8251 4298**

**This Week's Roster**

**26th June, 2022**

Preacher: **James**  
Leader (am): **Cath**  
Leader (pm): **David**  
Manager: **John**  
Reader: **Barrie**  
Musician: **Pat**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **Trevor, Sandy & Owen**  
Audio Desk (am): **Rykhardt**  
Audio desk (pm): **Rykhardt**  
Camera : **Lucinda**  
Computer (am): **Rykhardt**  
Computer (pm): **Rykhardt**  
AV Editing: **Rykhardt**

**Next Week's Roster**

**3rd July, 2022**

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Jonathan**  
Leaders (pm): **Renée & James**  
Manager: **Neil**  
Reader: **Chris H.**  
Musician: **Heather**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **Peter, Yvonne & Ken**  
Audio Desk (am): **Ralph**  
Audio Desk (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
Camera: **John**  
Computer (am): **James**  
Computer (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
AV Editing: **Jonathan**

**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, 26th June, 2022

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Preacher:: **James**

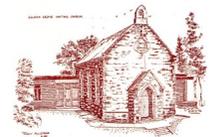
Theme: **Following Jesus**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 9: 51-62**

**Mission Statement: To draw people**

**to our Lord Jesus Christ**

**and nurture them through  
our church**



**Unclean! Unclean!**

This week I received the dreaded official text message from SA Health, that read, "You completed a COVID-19 test within South Australia. The result of this test is positive. *This means that you have COVID-19!*"

I think the fact that I'd had multiple COVID tests that have come up negative, and that it took 27 months for Coronavirus to make its way from Wuhan to Wynn Vale, I'd started to lull myself into a false sense of security that maybe it wouldn't get me!

Of course, positive COVID tests are as common as muck these days, but, when it happened, I was surprised at feeling a twinge of stigma. One can harbour a secret sense of pride while we can still say, "I haven't caught it yet," and perhaps some delusion that, "my iron constitution will fend it off"!.... But,...*alas!*

I'm in the very fortunate situation of being fully vaccinated, and so trust that my mild symptoms will be the worst of it. Millions during the pandemic have not been as fortunate. We continue to pray and strive for this disease to be overcome and eradicated.

My succumbing makes me reflect on my vulnerability (we are all susceptible, to this, and limitless maladies), on my unfounded good fortune (at living in Australia, and being so well protected before contracting COVID), and on the God of all grace (upon whom I am limitlessly dependent, and to whom I am limitlessly thankful).

*Grace and cheers, Jonathan.*

## Women's Fellowship

For our next meeting we are celebrating Christmas in July at the highly recommended Hotel Windsor (not Windsor Castle), located on the North East Road, Windsor Gardens.

There is a list on the table at the rear of the hall. If you intend participating, would you please fill in your details (name, number, need for transport, etc.) on the sheet? Thank you.

## An Update from Operation Christmas Child

It is exciting for me to be sending news to this great team of people leading groups who are packing or preparing to pack shoe boxes this year in the OCC NE area between the River Torrens and the southern boundary of Salisbury Council. (There are more north towards Gawler too.)

In the NE area there are currently 2 community groups, 5 schools and 30 churches: Fantastic! Each one has a Project Leader. I am hopeful that some churches and another school will join us in the next few weeks.

The more people who pack boxes - whatever the number is - it means more children will be pleased by a special gift (often their only gift ever) and hear about Jesus' love for them! Every box is a good news story. We are really keen to significantly increase that number from South Australia this year. THANK YOU for your enthusiasm. May it be 'contagious' - for a great purpose.

You are all encouraged to attend an afternoon tea gathering especially for Project Leaders. **Please plan to be there.** I am keen to see everyone.

**DIARY DATE: Saturday 13 August at Elizabeth Church of Christ  
OR Sunday 14 August at Tea Tree Gully Uniting Church**

Each event will be the same. This arrangement offers a choice. One date never works for everyone!! Full details will follow in 2 to 3 weeks.

I am praying for each of you and the people you encourage to be part of Operation Christmas Child. Could there be an opportunity for me (Lynette Beck, NE Area Coordinator) to have a chat with your group or to take a few minutes to have a more formal presentation, I would love to come and see you all one Sunday.

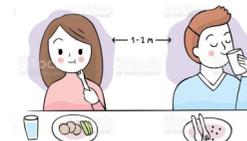
It's a privilege to serve our God. May we do so with joy.

## SOME DIARY DATES FOR WINTRY JUNE AND JULY

- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 26th June: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 26th June: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 27th June: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Church Council: Tuesday, 28th June: 7.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 30th June: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Working Bee: Saturday, 2nd July: 8.00 am
- Beginning of NAIDOC Week: Sunday, 3rd July
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 3rd July: 10.00 am
- Café Youth: Sunday, 3rd July: 6.30 pm (Mystery Excursion)
- KYB: Monday, 4th July: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 7th July: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 7th July (Christmas in July)
- End of Term Two: Friday, 8th July
- Musicians & Leaders: Saturday, 9th July: 10.00 am to 12.00 noon
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 10th July: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 10th July: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- Le Quatorze Juillet (Bastille Day): Thursday, 14th July
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 14th July: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 17th July: 10.00 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 18th July: 2.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 21st July: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 24th July: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 24th July: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- Beginning of Term Three: Monday, 25th July
- KYB: Monday, 25th July: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 28th July: 8.00 am to 9.00 am

## Ministerial Announcement

I was scheduled to attend the SA Synod meeting this weekend. However, I have ended up spending it in quarantine, after testing positive to COVID-19.  
Grace and cheers,  
Jonathan.



Jonathan: "Please pass me the virus, Kathryn. After all, I am a close contact."