

**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 Leader 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**

**9th October, 2022**

**Next Week's Roster**

**16th October, 2022**

Preacher: **James**  
Leader (am): **Cath**  
Leader (pm): **David**  
Manager: **John**  
Reader: **Chris DeB.**  
Musician: **Brunetta**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **Trevor, Sandy & Owen**  
Audio Desk (am): **Ralph**  
Audio Desk (pm): **Ralph**  
Camera : **Tim**  
Computer (am): **Ralph**  
Computer (pm): **James**  
AV Editing **Jonathan**

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Jonathan**  
Leader (pm) **\*\*\*\*\***  
Manager: **John**  
Reader: **Tina**  
Musician: **Brunetta**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **Bob, Faye & Brunetta**  
Audio Desk (am) **Ruan**  
Audio Desk (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
Camera : **Lucinda**  
Computer (am): **Rykhardt**  
Computer (pm): **\*\*\*\*\***  
AV Editing **Rykhardt**

# Golden Grove Gazette

Keeping in touch with the G.G.U.C. family

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Sunday, 9th October, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Preacher:: **Dr James Ross-Naylor**

Theme: **The Unchained Word**

New Testament Reading: **2 Timothy 2: 8-15**

**Mission Statement:** To draw people

to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church



**Box of Favourites**

The Bible says, "God does not show favouritism." (Ro 2:11)

This is the context of Paul's showing how every human being — every one of us, no matter who we are, are all considered equally sinful by God. God's commands are to love Him with all our heart, mind, soul and strength, and to love our neighbour as ourselves. *All of us* have failed to do these *every day of our lives*. (Ro 3:23)

Therefore, *God shows no favouritism*; He doesn't make excuses for anyone, nor let anyone off the hook. *All are guilty*.

We know this because the Bible tells us that Jesus Christ died on the *cross for the sins of every person in the world*, to save and give them fullness of life. (Ro 5:8; Jn 3:16) In other words, every person is so completely and utterly lost, that the only possible thing that could save them is if the Son of God died for them!

Which means, *God shows no favouritism!* - i.e., God's grace and salvation in Jesus were *equally at work for every person on the planet!* The gifts of salvation and fullness of life are available for all people, without distinction, whoever they are, whatever they've done, who believe in Jesus Christ, and truly acknowledge their sin.

Which actually means, *all are God's favourites!* Therefore, we may not show favouritism.

*Grace and cheers, Jonathan.*

## Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes

October is the month in which church groups across the nation gather together in order to bring to fruition the packing of the boxes for transportation. Last year ladies and gentlemen from our church took part in this programme. Again this year, at this time, members of our study and fellowship groups will be involved in a similar process. Therefore, if you still have some contributions to make for the boxes themselves, would you please finalise that this week? Thanks very much.

### Vale, Dear Sarah

Sadly, our much loved Sarah Cooksey left to join her cherished husband, Gordon, and be welcomed into the safe arms of Jesus on 20th September. She was a sweet and gentle creature, quiet and unobtrusive, loving and gracious, a shining example of "love thy neighbour as thyself". A lady of abiding faith, she and Gordon enjoyed a wonderful marriage of 66 years, which led to three daughters, an equal number of sons-in-law, as well as countless grandchildren and great grandchildren, the latest of whom, the adorable little Lucy, joined the mourners at the age of just seven weeks at last Friday's funeral service. And what a wonderful service it was, led beautifully by Jonathan, with Joan Checkley's heartfelt tribute to Sarah being something extra special. While Sarah's passing is a time of great sadness, we can take comfort in the fact that she was a true servant of our Lord whose faith in Him never wavered for an instant.

## REMAINING OCTOBER DATES

- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 9th October: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 9th October: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 13th October: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 16th October: 10.00 am
- Beginning of Term Four: Monday, 17th October
- KYB: Monday, 17th October: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 17th October: 2.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 20th October: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 23rd October: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 23rd October: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 24th October: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 27th October: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 30th October: 10.00 am
- KYB: Monday, 31st October: 10.00 am to 11.30 am

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### Wool Donations

The Women's Prison is seeking donations of wool and stuffing and is currently in need of any and all colours. However, it also has a big need for reds and black for a production of crocheted poppies for Remembrance Day in November. This project is already in full swing. Poppies will be sold for a gold coin donation and the proceeds will be donated to the Anzac Appeal. Other wool will be used to make toys, blankets, scarves and beanies, to be donated to the APY Lands, Catherine House and hospitals. Fourteen bags of woollen items were donated two months ago to the above places and were highly appreciated. People can contact Reverend Frances Bartlett/ Bartholomeusz on 0407 687 311, or at the Semaphore Uniting Church on Thursdays or Fridays.

Donations can also be dropped into the Semaphore Uniting Church Op Shop from Tuesday to Saturday between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm (145 Semaphore Road, Exeter). Thank you very much.