

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

20th November, 2022

Next Week's Roster

27th November, 2022

Preacher: Jonathan  
Leader (am): Kathryn  
Leaders (pm): Renée & James  
Manager: Ray  
Reader: Trevor  
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: Jonathan

Preacher: Bishop Michael Musale  
Leader (am): Jonathan  
Leader (pm): David & SEG  
Manager: Neil  
Reader: Chris H.  
Musician: Recorded  
Kidz Connect: Tina  
Morning Tea: David, Linda & Joy  
Audio Desk (am): Ralph  
Audio Desk (pm): Ralph  
Camera : John  
Computer (am): James  
Computer (pm): James  
AV Editing: Rykhardt

Women's Fellowship Christmas Lunch

Thursday, 1st December 12.00 noon Windsor Hotel

Please make sure that you place your name on the sheet at the back of the hall if you intend coming.

Please meet at the church at 11.30 am if you require transport. Thanks. (Katherine)



**Women's Fellowship**

# Golden Grove Gazette

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

[www.goldengroveuniting.org.au](http://www.goldengroveuniting.org.au)

Sunday, 20th November, 2022

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Preacher:: Reverend Jonathan

Theme: The Crucified King

Gospel Reading: Luke 23: 33-43

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ  
and nurture them through our church



Faking It

**Are you ever reluctant to come to church because you know that people will cheerily ask "how are you?", but you don't want to have to answer them because you're really feeling terrible... And you know you'll feel compelled to put on an equally cheery "Christian smile", and say, "I'm really fine, thanks!?"**

**I do!**

**This reluctance, and tendency to 'fake it' and to pretend that we are victorious Christians when we are really weak and failing ones, comes from not understanding the Christian Gospel at all.**

**The Gospel is that *you are weak*. And that *you only live off the power of Christ* that He gives to you moment by moment *by grace* (2Cor 12:9). Sometimes we are really aware that we are weak, and other times we can feel quite strong. It doesn't matter how we feel, we are always in exactly the same position - i.e., *weak, through and through*, and the only thing that makes us Christian is the power and grace of Christ holding, carrying, keeping and filling us.**

**This is why Paul could say, "I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses" - no 'faking it' there!**

**So, next time you are feeling terrible, and someone asks you "how are you?" Say, "I'm really terrible, thanks!... but Jesus' power and grace keeps me fine!"**

***Grace and cheers, Jonathan.***

Visit of Bishop Michael Musale

On Sunday Nov 27<sup>th</sup> at our 10 am service, Bishop Michael Musale, of Christ Victory Gospel Ministries in Kenya, will be our guest preacher.

He will be preaching on the very important theme of *“Being the right person in all circumstances”*. Paul said that the Gospel enables us to share the love and truth of Jesus with all people we come into contact with, so that they may know God’s love, salvation and fullness of life (1Cor 9:19-23).

We will hold a retiring offering on Nov 27<sup>th</sup> to go towards Christ Victory Gospel Ministries in Kenya, and to support the work of their Christian school for impoverished and orphaned children.

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Gift Survey Forms

Thank you members of the Congregation who returned your Gift Survey forms. What a wonderful response from you in offering to assist in the many different activities of the running of our Church.

From now until the end of the year, the Convener in charge of the different activities will be in touch to assist with training, where needed, and your names will be added on to the next quarterly roster, which comes out at the end of December for January, February and March 2023.

Thank you all once again.

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Nomination Forms for Church Council and Church Elders

The submission of nomination forms closes at 12.00 noon today. The forms can be returned to either Owen or Cath, in order that names can be published in the Gazette on the following Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> November.

The Election will be held after Worship on Sunday, 4th December.

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Morning Tea, Coffee and Biscuits

Thank you to all our volunteers on the morning tea roster. We all appreciate having a cuppa and a time of fellowship after our morning Worship service. At our AGM earlier in the year it was suggested that we each start paying 50 cents for our cuppa. To date this has not happened, and it really would be appreciated if we all could start doing this. Thank you.

NOVEMBER SEGUES WITH DECEMBER

- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 20th November: 10.00 am
- Close of Council Nominations: Sunday, 20th November: 12.00 noon
- Café Youth: Sunday, 20th November: 6.30 pm (Sports Night)
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 21st November: 2.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 24th November: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday, 27th November: Publication of Council Nominees in Gazette
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 27th November: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 27th November: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 1st December: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Working Bee: Saturday, 3rd December: 8.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 4th December: 10.00 am
- Sunday, 4th December: Church Council Election: (after Worship)
- Café Youth: Sunday, 4th December: 6.30 pm (Pool Party)
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 8th December: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 11th December: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 11th December: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 15th December: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Last Day of Term Four: Friday, 16th December

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Season of Advent

**First Sunday in Advent: 27th November: Hope**

**Second Sunday in Advent: 4th December: Peace**

**Third Sunday in Advent: 11th December: Joy**

**Fourth Sunday in Advent: 18th December: Love**



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