

### 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

27th November, 2022

#### Next Week's Roster

4th December, 2022

Preacher:	Bishop Michael Musale
Leader (am):	Jonathan
Leader (pm):	David
Manager:	Neil
Reader:	Chris H.
Musician:	Recorded Music
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

Preacher:	Jonathan
Leader (am):	Jonathan
Leaders (pm):	René & James
Manager:	Ray
Reader:	Chris DeB.
Musician:	Heather
Kidz Connect:	Tina
Morning Tea:	Peter, Yvonne & Ken
Audio Desk (am):	Ruan
Audio Desk (pm):	*****
Camera :	Lucinda
Computer (am):	Rykhardt
Computer (pm):	*****
AV Editing	Jonathan

### 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**

## Golden Grove Gazette

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Sunday, 27th November, 2022

First Sunday in Advent: Hope

Preacher:: Bishop Michael Musale

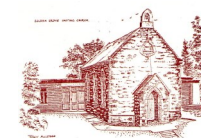
Theme: Being the Right Person

Gospel Reading: John 5: 1-9

### Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ  
and nurture them through our church



### Christ's Commission to Christian Believers

Jesus commissioned his disciples, and, through them, all Christian believers, to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you." (Mt 28:19 – "The Great Commission")

This does not mean that we are all going to be missionaries on the other side of the world, nor street preachers, but it does mean that wherever God has placed us, in whatever way He enables us, *we must go in friendship to unbelievers* ("all nations"), and *speak to them the truth about Jesus that we believe* ("teaching... everything that I have commanded").

If we think that we are going to fulfil the Great Commission by sitting at home and thinking nice "Christian" thoughts but being unwilling to befriend unbelievers and speak about our faith in Jesus to them, we've got "Buckley's", and we've signed the "death warrant" on our congregations! Therefore, *this is not an option*.

What is most important for me to tell you is that *we are able to do what Jesus has commanded us* (Mt 28:18-20). This is because, "all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to [Jesus]" – i.e., He is at work in all the world to bring all people to faith in Him; and He says to us, "*I am with you always*" – i.e., He is at work in us by His mighty grace to make our least word and act of faith effective to touch the lives of unbelievers with His love and truth.

*Grace and great hope, Jonathan.*

### Visit of Bishop Michael Musale

Today we welcome Bishop Michael Musale, of Christ Victory Gospel Ministries in Kenya, as our guest preacher at our 10.00 am service.

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 today 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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#### 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.

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### Nominations for Church Council and Church Elders

**The following people have re-nominated for positions as Councillors or Elders. They are as follows:-**

**Church Council:-Tim Checkley, Coral Larcombe and Neil Larcombe.**

**Elders: Ray Holroyd and Cath McKechnie.**

**The election will be held on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December after Worship for Members and Members-in-Association of the Church.**

### NOVEMBER SEGUES WITH DECEMBER

- 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)
- Pastoral Carers Meeting: Tuesday, 6th December: 8.00 pm (Via Zoom)
- 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
- Jonathan’s Annual Leave: 27th December to 10th January, 2023

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### What happens to our used stamps?

#### Sally Stamp

Every Monday morning a small group of volunteers meet at the Church Office to collect and sort stamps which have been received from Fellowships and Businesses around South Australia.

This year we have funded the following shipments to South Pacific School Aid Inc with another shipment promised shortly:

Port Elizabeth, Hannes Horne, Lets Help Africa \$1810.92

Solomon Islands, Steward Manedia, ALLARDYCE PROVINCE SECONDARY COLLEGE \$944.41

Vava’u, Tonga, Chanel College, Sr Susitina \$1,102.77

Another donation was made to Uniting College, Brooklyn Park for \$1,000.

Sally Stamp asks that people continue to send stamps to the Uniting Church SA Office to help with this ministry. The group also suggests that people consider asking local businesses to save their stamps, doctor’s surgeries are one of the best sources of stamps! Any donations of private collections no longer required are also gratefully received.