Vision Statement:

We see a Jesus-orientated church having a passion for the Bible and compassion for the world expressed through dynamic worship, love in action, the empowering of the servant Leader and the growing of disciples.

Reverend 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

Next Week's Roster

5th March, 2023

12th March, 2023

James

Rykhardt

Preacher: Jonathan Leader (am): Kathryn Leader (pm): ***** Welcome: Bob Manager: John Reader: Barrie Musicians: Heather Kidz Connect: Tina

Morning Tea: Chris DeB. & Katherine

AV Editing: Jonathan

Preacher: Gordon Rykhardt Leader (am): Jonathan Leader (pm): Cath Welcome: Neil Manager: Brunetta Reader: Brunetta Musician: Tina Kidz Connect: Ken & Owen Morning Tea: Ralph Audio Desk (am): Ralph Audio Desk (pm): John Camera: James Computer (am):

Computer (pm):

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Sunday, 5th March, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

Preacher:: Reverend Jonathan

Theme: You Must Be Born Again

Gospel Reading: John 3: 1-17

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church

LENT

Lent is a period of forty days prior to Easter that is recognised by many Christian traditions. It was designated as a time for fasting and prayer to help believers prepare to celebrate the great events of Easter, and to be enriched spiritually.

However, at times the practice of Lent has been approached – consciously and unconsciously - as a kind of "work" by which Christians atone for their own sins. Yet, the Bible teaches that it is Christ alone who does this for us, from which we then receive the benefits of righteousness and forgiveness solely by grace through faith (1Jn 2:2; Gal 2:15-21).

This great work of Christ was achieved in His crucifixion and death on Good Friday, paying the price for all sins, and vindicated on Easter Day, when He was raised from the dead to eternal life. And it is precisely these events that are the focus and goal of Lent.

When we see the great gifts of grace that we have received in Christ's death and resurrection, we will want to put other activities, and even eating, second (i.e., fast) in order to immerse ourselves in this good news in God's Word, and to thank Him (i.e., pray)!

Grace upon grace, Jonathan.

GOLDEN GROVE CHURCH CAMP

Back in 2020 we had plans in place for a church camp in the beautiful Flinders Ranges at the Angorichina Tourist Village. Sadly, this had to be cancelled due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

This year, with society opening up and community events able to resume, we have the opportunity to try again with the church camp idea. A tentative arrangement has been made to hold a church camp this year at Angorichina on the June long weekend, June 9th-12th. This would be a low-key, largely unstructured camp with shared meals and time for leisurely walks, sightseeing, reading, campfire chats and board games for those interested. We would have an outdoor service by the campfire Sunday morning and leave after breakfast on Monday.

https://www.angorichinavillage.com.au

At this stage we want to find out from congregation members the level of serious interest to attend, in order to determine the viability of such a camp.

There would be a range of accommodation options, ranging from bunk accommodation in the hostel with shared ablution facilities (inexpensive), or alternative accommodation in either your own van or tent (also inexpensive), or available cabin accommodation (consult the Angorichina Tourist Village for costs and availability).

Please indicate by email, text or phone, to Jonathan or Cath, by Monday March the 6th:

- 1. Serious interest to attend yes or no
- 2. Type of accommodation you would prefer (a. bunk; b. alternative i.e., van, tent, or cabins)
- 3. Comments or questions welcome

Grace and cheers, Jonathan

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Cath: office@goldengroveuniting.org.au

or

catherine.mckechnie@bigpond.com; 0448 509 934

WE MARCH ALONG IN TIME

- Second Sunday In Lent: Sunday, 5th March
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 5th March: 10.00 am (Holy Communion)
- KYB: Monday, 6th March: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 9th March: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3.16: Friday, 10th March: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Picnic)
- Third Sunday In Lent: Sunday, 12th March
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 12th March: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 12th March: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 13th March: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 16th March: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3.16: Friday, 17th March: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Gartic Phone)
- Fourth Sunday In Lent: Sunday, 19th March
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 19th March: 10.00 am
- KYB: Monday, 20th March: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 20th March: 2.00 pm

A NOTE FROM LESLEY AND BARRIE

They have devised a new acronym: CHEMO. It means Christ Has Elevated My Outlook. They wished to share this attribute to their faith with their church family.



Are you on Facebook? If so, don't forget to like and follow our congregation's Facebook pages: for example: Golden Grove Uniting Church, Café Church at Golden Grove and Youth 3.16.

You'll find up-to-the-minute news and important reminders.

See you on-line!