

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

12th March, 2023

Next Week's Roster

19th March, 2023

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

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| Preacher: | Jonathan |
| Leader (am): | James |
| Leader (pm): | ***** |
| Welcome: | Faye |
| Manager: | Ray |
| Reader: | Chris DeB. |
| 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 |

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

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Sunday, 12th March, 2023

Third Sunday in Lent

Preacher:: Reverend Gordon

Theme: The Woman of Samaria

Gospel Reading: John 4: 4-26 and 39-42

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ
and nurture them through our church



You Can't Shut Up

Every person, all the time, is proclaiming a message to those around them. It comes out in our actual words, and in how we live our lives. Jesus said that what comes out of our mouths tells what is most important to us in our hearts (Mt 15:18,19); and the Bible teaches that what we do also declares the priorities of our hearts (1Jn 3:18; Tit 1:16; Jms 2:26).

This is because God created us to be *messengers* – i.e., to hear His Word and truth, and pass it on to those around us. This is what it means to *praise God* (Ps 8:2): we hear and believe the good news about Him, and then we *tell it out* (praise Him as the God of the good news).

Our lives are always speaking a word. This means that we need to make sure we are hearing a speaking God's truth and good news, and not some other message, that may be neither true, nor good (e.g., the message of the world that tries to live without God). But it also means that nothing is more natural for a human being than to be witnessing to the truth of God; constantly "speaking" God's good news through all we say and do.

Each day, get "into" God's good news in the Bible (there are very simple, easy ways that everyone can do this); ask God for the Holy Spirit to shape your heart, words and actions afresh. Then our lives will more and more resound with the saving, healing, joyous truth of God; and others will hear, believe and be transformed.

Grace and cheers, 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 13th:

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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WE MARCH ALONG IN TIME

- **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**
- **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**
- **Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 23rd March: 8.00 am to 9.00 am**
- **Youth 3.16: Friday, 24th March: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Gardening)**
- **Fifth Sunday In Lent: Sunday, 26th March**
- **Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 26th March: 10.00 am**
- **Annual General Meeting: Sunday, 26th March (after Worship)**
- **Café Church: Sunday, 26th March: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm**
- **KYB: Monday, 27th March: 10.00 am to 11.30 am**

APRIL WARNINGS

- **Working Bee at 8.00am on Saturday, 1st April**
- **Daylight Saving ends on Sunday, 2nd April.**



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!