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.

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 16th April, 2023 23rd April, 2023 Preacher: James Preacher: Jonathan Rykhardt Leader (am): Leader (am): Andrew David Leader (pm): Leader (pm): ****** Andrew Welcome: Welcome: Lucinda John Manager: Manager: Rav Andrew Reader: Reader: Jov B. Brunetta Musician: Musician: Brunetta Tina Kidz Connect: Kidz Connect: Tina Alison & Joy Morning Tea: Morning Tea: **Bob, Fave & Brunetta** Ralph Audio Desk (am): Audio Desk (am): Ruan Ralph Audio Desk (pm): ******* Audio Desk (pm): John Camera : Camera : Lucinda Lucinda Computer (am): Rvkhardt Computer (am): Ralph Computer (pm): ******** Computer (pm): Rykhardt AV Editing: AV Editing: Jonathan

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Second Sunday after Easter

Preacher:: Reverend Jonathan

Sunday, 16th April, 2023

Theme: Do not doubt, but believe

Gospel Reading: John 20: 19-31

Mission Statement: To draw people







to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church

You Can Get Out of The Grave

How would life be different if we knew that we could get out of the grave?

Think of that.... that following our present life and death, that we could be raised to life again, with our recognisable body, yet transformed with strength and made glorious beyond our dreams, never to sicken or die, but to live forever; that we will share that life with those we love, God our Father and all of His people, in the best possible community; and in a physical world - the same creation we love so much now, yet healed, made eternal, and gloriously enriched by heaven itself - creation "heavenised"!

That is what the Bible and Christian truth tell us that we are in for!

If God is leading us, humanity and the world to that goal, that has to fill our lives, relationships and work with the greatest meaning and purpose. That has to enable us to face and go through every hardship, suffering and loss with a hope and joy that can never be destroyed. That has to prompt us to work for a positive future for all of our neighbours and the world. That has to give us the assurance of full and eternal forgiveness, since Christ died and was raised to completely justify us by grace. That indeed has to enable us to face the deaths of others, and our own deaths, with the greatest hope!

The Word of God declares the truth of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead to eternal life, and the same kind of resurrection for all who believe in Him (just one example - 1Corinthians, chapter 15). Hear that truth and believe it with all of your life!

Blessed Easter, Jonathan.

LADIES OF THE CHURCH SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 25th May

Biggest Afternoon Tea for Cancer Awareness Month and

Dressed for Success Fashion Show

Time? 1 o'clock for 1.30 start

Where? In the church hall

Cost? \$5 donation (or whatever you wish to donate)

There will be door prizes, lots of fun, a chance to add to your

wardrobe for the winter

AND

donate to a special cause.

Please bring along friends, relatives and neighbours.

For more information please see Sandy.

Please note that the Women's Fellowship scheduled for May 4th has been changed to accommodate the above.

A Moved Kenneth

Ken Hasler has a new address. It is: Unit 309 1075 Grand Junction Road Hope Valley 5090 His e-mail address and telephone number remain unchanged. Please record the change in your church directory. Thank you.

OUR REMAINING APRIL DATES

- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 16th April: 10.00 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 17th April: 2.00 pm
- Gentlemen's Breakfast: Tuesday, 18th April: Soul Café
- Church Council Meeting: Tuesday, 18th April: 7.00 pm
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 20th April: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 23rd April: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 23rd April: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- Anzac Day: Tuesday, 25th April
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 27th April: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 30th April: 10.00 am

Farewell to Ethan and Simil

For the past several months we have enjoyed the fellowship and friendship of Ethan Tripoldi, Simil Simon and Ethan's mum and dad, Kerry and Sam.

However, today we have to say a fond and sad farewell to the two young men, as they leave for the United States in May, where they will commence ministry. They will be stationed at the Crossroads Chapel in Bloomington, Illinois, four hours from Chicago. Both will be working as part-time pastors. They will also be looking to support themselves with other work: Ethan with evangelistic work with Youth for Christ and Simil with work for "The Discovery Bible" ministry.

They would appreciate our ongoing prayer support for their new venture. These two young men are truly committed soldiers of Christ, and we bless and pray for them in their inspirational discipleship.

May the peace and grace of God continue to refresh and inspire them as they follow in the footsteps of Jesus.