

Vision Statement:

We see a Jesus-orientated church having a passion for the New Testament 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.

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This Week's Roster

28th May, 2023

Next Week's Roster

4th June, 2023

Preacher	Jonathan
Leader (am):	James
Leader (pm):	David
Welcome:	Andrew
Manager:	Ray
Reader:	Rykhardt
Musician:	Brunetta
Kidz Connect:	Tina
Morning Tea:	Peter & Yvonne
Audio Desk (am):	Ruan
Audio Desk (pm):	Lucinda
Camera :	Lucinda
Computer (am):	Rykhardt
Computer (pm):	Rykhardt
AV Editing:	Rykhardt

Preacher:	Jonathan
Leader (am):	Neil
Leader (pm):	*****
Welcome:	Cath
Manager:	John
Reader:	Rykhardt
Musician:	Heather
Kidz Connect:	Tina
Morning Tea:	David & Linda
Audio Desk (am):	Ralph
Audio Desk (pm):	*****
Camera :	Tim
Computer (am):	James
Computer (pm):	*****
AV Editing:	Jonathan

Have you considered E-giving?

Envelopes with an "E" on the front, prayer requests or thanks can be placed in the offering bags on a Sunday morning.

Please speak to Chris Holroyd if you require more information.

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

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Sunday, 28th May, 2023

Pentecost Sunday

Preacher:: **Reverend Jonathan**

Theme: **The Spirit on all flesh**

New Testament Reading: **Acts 2: 1-21**

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ
and nurture them through our church



Weirdo!

Sometimes being a Christian is a bit weird!

On the Day of Pentecost, God poured out the Holy Spirit upon all believers in a new, and powerful way (Acts 2:1-21). Miraculous signs were seen, with many speaking God's Word in languages they'd never learned, so that foreign visitors could understand them. The believers were so affected by the experience of Pentecost that some onlookers mistook them for being drunk on wine (Acts 2:13).

Peter declared that this wasn't the case, but that they were filled with the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

If drunk people don't care about their troubles, or what anyone else thinks of them, and are irrepressibly happy, the reason is because alcohol has made them temporarily stupid. Christians can also be carefree in face of difficulties, not care if people think them weird, and are always able to regain happiness. But in their case, it's because the Holy Spirit has made the good news of Jesus Christ overwhelmingly real to them and given them a completely different and true outlook on life!

Being filled by the Holy Spirit is necessary for every Christian. And it doesn't only happen once, but again and again throughout our lives, to make Jesus and His truth fully alive in us, and to make us fully alive as His followers. This doesn't mean being out of control in any way – the Holy Spirit is also a "Spirit of self-control" (Gal 5:22,23). But it does mean allowing God to do whatever He wants in our lives, some of which may at first seem a bit weird to us.

This is the only way to have all the best gifts that God our good Father wants to give us, and the best that we could ever want for our lives.

Grace upon grace, Jonathan.

FREE COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER EXPO STALL

We have been successful in registering to be part of the Community and Volunteer Expo, to be held at the Golden Grove Recreation Centre on Friday, 2nd June, from 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm. This Expo is about Community Connection and helping people find activities and purpose.

We ask you, as members of the congregation, to encourage not only you, but possibly family, friends and neighbours, to visit our Church stall as well as other amazing community group stalls.

Children are especially welcome. No entrance fee is required and no ticket or registration is necessary. Tea, coffee and face painting will be available at no cost.



HOLY COMMUNION



Next Sunday we shall be celebrating Holy Communion. As is our custom, we shall bring our regular donations for the needy. Thank you so much for your continuing generosity.

May God bless you all.

SOME AUTUMNAL DATES

- Pentecost Sunday: Sunday, 28th May
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 28th May: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 28th May: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 29th May: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 1st June: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 1st June: 1.00 pm (Favourites)
- Tea Tree Gully Council Expo: Friday, 2nd June: 2.00 pm
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 2nd June: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Art Challenge)
- Working Bee: Saturday, 3rd June: 8.00 am
- Trinity Sunday: Sunday, 4th June
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 4th June: 10.00 am
- KYB: Monday, 5th June: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 8th June: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 9th June: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Games Night)
- Thanksgiving and Blessings Service: Sunday, 11th June: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 11th June: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- King's Birthday: Monday, 12th June
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 15th June: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 16th June: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Movie Night)
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 18th June: 10.00 am
- Mission and Wider Work Soup Luncheon: Sunday, 18th June
- KYB: Monday, 19th June: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 19th June: 2.00 pm

Mission and Wider Work

M&WW will be holding its second fundraising function for the year on Sunday, 18th June, after Worship.

There will be a Soup and Bread Roll Luncheon with apple pie for dessert.

The cost is \$10 per person.

Please put your names on the list in the hall.

Looking forward to seeing you there.