

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.

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This Week's Roster

23rd July, 2023

Next Week's Roster

30th July, 2023

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Rykhardt**
Leader (pm): **Jonathan**
Welcome: **Cath**
Manager: **John**
Reader: **Bob**
Musician: **Brunetta**
Morning Tea: **Alison & Joy**
Audio Desk (am): **Ralph**
Audio Desk (pm): **Ralph**
Camera : **John**
Computer (am): **James**
Computer (pm): **James**
AV Editing: **Rykhardt**

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Kathryn**
Leader (pm): *********
Welcome: **Faye**
Manager: **Neil**
Reader: **Brunetta**
Musician: **Brunetta**
Morning Tea: **Ken & Owen**
Audio Desk (am): **Ruan**
Audio Desk (pm): *********
Camera : **Lucinda**
Computer (am): **Rykhardt**
Computer (pm): *********
AV Editing: **Jonathan**

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Sunday, 23rd July, 2023

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Preacher:: **Reverend Jonathan**

Theme: **A Harvest Worth Waiting For**

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 13: 24-30 and 36-40**



Mission Statement: We are a Gospel-driven, connected, generous church family, mission-minded and outwardly focussed.

Showdown

Don't you just love it when Clint Eastwood rides into town and cleans everything up with his big gun?! Sometimes we feel that's how God ought to operate. We can find that all the stuff that's 'crook' in society gets 'a bit much' for us; we want to strike out at it, and we reckon God should too.

The only problem is, who is there that has no 'crookness' in them? Christian believers? Hardly! *You or me?*.... If God stepped in right now and tore out everyone who's crook, who of us would escape getting torn?

And don't we believe that Christ's grace and salvation are precisely for those who are crook (sinners)? And aren't we sinners saved by that grace? Then how could we want to cut off the opportunity for any other crook person to also come to believe, repent and receive the saving grace of Christ?

God will one day 'call down the curtain' on all evil, consign it to outer darkness, and set all things to rights in His kingdom. Until then – and just as well for all our sakes – it is the age of God's mercy. And as someone once truly said, His mercy is as great as His majesty (Ecclesiasticus 2:7).

Let us embrace the gracious Saviour, Jesus Christ, with all our hearts; and hold Him out to every neighbour – friend and enemy alike.

Grace and peace, Jonathan.

A Warm Welcome to Beryl and Ian

Beryl and Ian MacArthur recently emigrated from Ulverstone in Van Diemen’s Land to sunny South Australia. We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us, Beryl and Ian. We are so pleased to have you with us.

GENEROSITY

Responding to God’s Radical Grace in Community

**Sermon & Bible study series
Commencing August 27th, 2023**

An exciting series to encourage every church family member to gain a deeper grasp of God’s radical grace to the world and us in Jesus Christ.

This also means working through the implications of God’s generosity for every part of our lives and practice. That includes our giving to God’s work, but that is only a small part of God’s generosity, which aims to renew our lives, relationships and indeed the entire world.

The sermon series will run over 7 Sundays, commencing on Aug 27th. We will also offer a companion Bible Study Series alongside of this.

Please advise Jonathan (0467 683 333; j.button@bigpond.com) or Cath (0448 509 934; catherine.mckechnie@bigpond.com) if you would like to be part for a Study group for this 7 week series. The cost of the Bible study books will be \$27 ea.

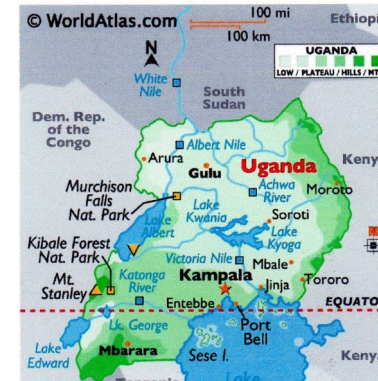
Women’s Fellowship

Our next Women’s Fellowship meeting will be on Thursday, 3rd August at 1.00 pm. Both Faye and Katherine will be bringing their delicious homemade soup. Katherine is also leading in Devotions. Looking forward to seeing you all for a wonderful time of fellowship.

DISAPPEARING JULY

- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 23rd July: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 23rd July: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- First Day of Term Three: Monday, 24th July
- KYB: Monday, 24th July: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 27th July: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 28th July: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 30th July: 10.00 am

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Love God and His World: from Uganda to Golden Grove

Next Sunday, 30 July, Kathryn will be sharing some highlights of her recent trip to Uganda (including photos and videos) in our morning service as we unpack together what it means to love God and the world in which we find ourselves. Invite your friends. Come ready to be inspired and changed by what God is doing in Uganda and in Golden Grove!

10am Sunday 30 July. Be there!