

From Our Minister

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

29th October, 2023

Next Week's Roster

5th November, 2023

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Neil**
Leader (pm): *********
Welcome: **Lila**
Manager: **Neil**
Reader: **Bob**
Musician: **Brunetta**
Morning Tea: **TBA**
Audio Desk (am): **Ruan**
Audio Desk (pm): *********
Camera : **Tim**
Computer (am): **Rykhardt**
Computer (pm): *********
AV Editing: **Jonathan**

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Jonathan**
Leader (pm): *********
Welcome: **Lucinda**
Manager: **Ray**
Reader: **Chris DeB.**
Musician: **Heather**
Morning Tea: **Peter & Yvonne**
Audio Desk (am): **Ralph**
Audio Desk (pm): *********
Camera : **John**
Computer (am): **James**
Computer (pm): *********
AV Editing: **Rykhardt**

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.

Please note: Payments can now be made by

Electronic Funds Transfer on a Sunday.

Golden Grove Gazette

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

www.goldengroveuniting.org.au

Sunday, 29th October, 2023

Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Preacher:: Reverend Jonathan

Theme: Mission: Generous Church Family

New Testament Readings: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-13 and 13: 1-7



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



Fructive Family

We can have a love-hate relationship with our families; sometimes we adore them, at others we would like a divorce. It can be a bit that way within the church family too! But the family of God's people should be the most attractive community in the world.

In 1 Corinthians chapters 12 and 13, Paul says that the church is one body of Christ, every member being deeply united with each other, like the members of our physical bodies. And that it is not dominated by the destructive forces that often mar our relationships, but is ruled instead by a perfect kind of love (1 Corinthians 13:4-7).

We live in a world of anger, hatred and warfare. When people see a community of love that is patient, kind, that rejoices in the truth, that bears, believes, hopes and endures all things for the sake of others, *it is the most powerful magnet in the universe.*

Are we that kind of community?...

Through the grace, forgiveness and reconciliation of Jesus Christ, God has redeemed us from lovelessness and hatefulness to be a *new kind of community* - one dominated and shaped by His perfect love. This is God's true family, into which He is inviting all families of the earth (Gen 12:3; Rev 21:24-26).

(concluded over the page)

(from the previous page)

Mission is inviting all human beings into their true family; the one they most long for, though they may not know it. What a delight for us to show it to them!

Grace upon grace, Jonathan.

Generosity inAction

Our Fund Raiser Held on Saturday 14th October

Thank you, members of the congregation, for your wonderful *Generosity* in supporting the fund raiser held at our Church on Saturday 14th October. With your support, either donating goods, or helping on the day, an amazing total of \$1077.66 was raised. \$877.66 has been added to our painting total, and the remaining \$200.00 was distributed to two overseas charities, \$100.00 to New Hope International and \$100.00 to support the Samaritan's Purse. Thank you once again for your support and *Generosity*.



Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes

Thank you once again to you, members of the congregation for supporting this venture by either filling a shoe box or bringing gifts for the children, or else donating the \$12.50 to send a shoe box. The boxes from you this year comprised 65 in total and a very *generous* amount of money, \$387.50, was sent. This included the \$100.00 from the fund raiser. Thank you also to the ladies of the Thursday night Bible Study group who gave up their time to help fill the boxes with your *generous* gifts.

OCTOBER IS YIELDING TO NOVEMBER

- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 29th October: 10.00 am
- KYB: Monday, 30th October: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 2nd November: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 2nd November: 1.00 pm
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 3rd November: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Outdoor Sports)
- Working Bee: Saturday, 4th November: 8.00 am
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 5th November: 10.00 am (Communion)
- KYB: Monday, 6th November: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 9th November: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 10th November: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (DIY Subway)
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 12th November: 10.00 am
- Café Church: Sunday, 12th November: 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
- KYB: Monday, 13th November: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
- Thursday Morning Prayers: Thursday, 16th November: 8.00 am to 9.00 am
- Youth 3:16: Friday, 17th November: 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm (Water Fight)
- Sunday Morning Worship: Sunday, 19th November: 10.00 am

Women's Fellowship

On Sunday, after Worship, could the Women's Fellowship ladies please meet in the Sunday School room, in order to discuss our next meeting for November? Thank you.



Holy Communion Sunday



As we celebrate Holy Communion next Sunday, we are looking forward to receiving food contributions for the needy from our generous congregation members. As a response to several requests regarding the frequency of these donations, it has been decided to place the containers at the back of the hall each week from next Sunday until at least Christmas. May the spirit of the season of generosity and giving remain with us always. Thank you very much.