

From Our Pastor: Jonathan Button

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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

5th May, 2024

Next Week's Roster

12th May, 2024

Preacher: **Jonathan**
Leader (am): **Jonathan**
Leader (pm): *********
Welcome: **Lila**
Manager: **Ray**
Reader: **Sue**
Musicians: **Brunetta & Ken**
Morning Tea: **Chris DeB. & Katherine**
Audio Desk (am): **Ruan**
Audio Desk (pm): *********
Camera : **Lucinda**
Computer (am): **Rykhardt**
Computer (pm): *********
AV Editing: **Jonathan**

Preacher: **David D'Lima**
Leader (am): **Kathryn**
Leader (pm): **James**
Welcome: **Lucinda**
Manager: **John**
Reader: **Chris DeB.**
Musician: **Brunetta**
Morning Tea: **Trevor & Sandy**
Audio Desk (am): **Ruan**
Audio Desk (pm): **Ralph**
Camera : **Lucinda**
Computer (am): **Rykhardt**
Computer (pm): **Ralph**
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 note: Payments can now be made by Electronic Funds Transfer on a Sunday.

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Sunday, 5th May, 2024

Holy Communion Sunday

Preacher:: **Jonathan**

Theme: **Ephesians: Alive with Christ**

New Testament Reading: **Ephesians 2: 1-10**



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

Grace Costs

Cheap grace means grace sold on the market like cheapjacks' wares.... Grace without price; grace without cost! The essence of grace, we suppose, is that the account has been paid in advance; and, because it has been paid, everything can be had for nothing....

Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again, the gift which must be asked for, the door at which we must knock.

Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs us our life, and it is grace because it gives us the only true life. It is costly because it condemns sin, and grace because it justifies the sinner.

Above all, it is costly because it cost God the life of his Son: "you were bought with a price," (1Corinthians 6:20) and what has cost God so much cannot be cheap for us. Above all, it is grace because God did not reckon his Son too dear a price to pay for our life, but delivered him up for us....

Costly grace confronts us as a gracious call to follow Jesus, it comes as a word of forgiveness to the broken spirit and the contrite heart....

The only one who has a right to say that they are justified by grace alone is the one who has left all to follow Christ....

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

