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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.

** Payments can now be made by EFTPOS on Sunday.

If you have any spare coins cluttering your purses or pockets, you may like to place them into the Lenten Boxes which are now on the tables in the hall. If you have given up caffeine for Lent, maybe you could feed the boxes instead of the Pink Pig! (Sorry, Jim.)

Today

Leader— Jonathan

Preacher— James

Reader– Rykhardt

Welcome– Lila

Manager— John

Musician – Brunetta

Technical Crew— Ruan & Rykhardt

Editing— Rykhardt (audio)

Morning Tea— Ailsa & Tina

Next Week

Leader— Rykhardt (am) Jonathan (pm)

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader– Ailsa

Welcome– Andrew

Manager— Neil

Musician – Brunetta

Technical Crew— Ruan& Lucinda (am) Ralph and Trevor (pm)

Editing— Jonathan (audio)

Morning Tea— Trevor & Sandy

The Weekly Word

Sunday 30th March 2025

Golden Grove Uniting Church Mission Statement

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

Today

Preacher— James

Reader— Rykhardt

Theme –The Unexpected Summons

Reading: Luke 10: 25-37

Getting Along with the Neighbours

Jesus Christ gave us a commandment: we must love one another (John 13:34)—and He does use the word "must." He also says that by doing this, it will be a special sign that we are His followers; it will attract people to us and to Him (v35).

Jesus also tells us what kind of love this should be—"just as I have loved you." How has He loved us? He has loved us with grace—i.e., we are sinners who do not deserve His love or help; and He has loved us selflessly—i.e., sacrificing His desires, needs, comfort, and peace—His very life—in order to give us the greatest possible good: salvation and eternal life.

How do we relate to those around us? Do we love with grace—i.e., everyone, no matter who they are, including those who don't deserve it, and maybe even our enemies? Or do we only love our friends? Do we put the desires, peace, and comfort of others first, or our own?

The reason we will love others as Jesus has loved us is that His love changes us. If we don't love others in the way Jesus has loved us, it means we haven't truly received His love. Let's get real about Jesus' love for us, take it in, and love others with grace and selflessness!

Grace upon grace, Jonathan.

Reminder - Mission and Wider Works
BBQ Lunch today.

Working Bee Saturday 5th April 8:00 am

Women's Fellowship will be meeting in the hall on Thursday 3rd April at 1:00pm. We are arranging a guest speaker from Aged Care to visit for the afternoon.

Easter Service Times

Maunday Thursday	Thursday 17th April	6:00pm
Good Friday	Friday 18th April	9:00am
Easter Sunday	Sunday 20th April	10:00am

Commissioning:

Next Sunday, April 6th, at the 10am service we will celebrate the commissioning of Dr James Ross-Naylor as Associate Pastor (0.2 FTE), and Mrs Cath McKechnie as Administrator (0.1 FTE).

We look forward to this great event in the life of the Golden Grove church family!

Women's Breakfast

A big thank you to Loht Martin for sharing with us, her and her husband, Steve's, journey with dementia. It was an emotional, but above all, inspiring and uplifting experience. All the way through her talk, her faith and her love of God shone through. Through out all her struggles, her faith has helped her to see the positives. She remains grateful for each day she has with Steve and for the support God has provided for them. Loht's gratitude, joy and hope in the Lord was a reminder to us of just how great our God is!

Important Dates 2025

Youth 3:16	Friday 4th April	Nature Hike 6:15 pm
Women's Fellowship	Thursday 3rd April	1:00pm
Working Bee	Saturday 5th April	8:30 am
Commissioning Service	Sunday 6th April	Morning Service
Café Church	Sunday 6th April	6:00pm
Palm Sunday	Sunday 13th April	