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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.



"I like it in church on Easter when we sing Easter carols."



Filling in for Daddy, little Billy draws this Easter cartoon.



Easter Sunday - Today

Leader— Kathryn

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader— Andrew

Welcome— Lila

Manager— Ray

Musician – Brunetta

Technical Crew— Ruan, Lucinda & Rykhardt

Editing— Jonathan (video)

Morning Tea— Joy & Sue



Next Week

Leader— Rykhardt(am), James(pm)

Preacher— James

Reader— Alison

Welcome— Faye

Manager— John

Musician – Sotiata

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

Editing— Lucinda (audio)

Morning Tea— Ken & Owen

The Weekly Word

Sunday 20th April 2025



Golden Grove Uniting Church Mission Statement

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

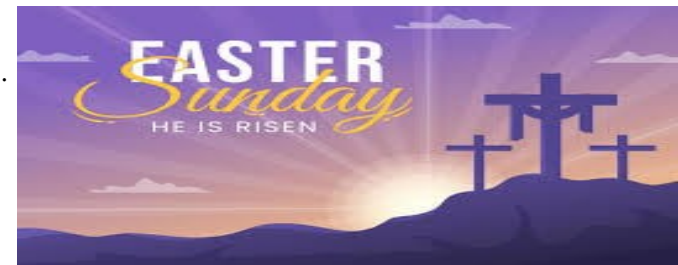
Today

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader— Andrew

Theme – Easter Day

Reading: 1 Cor 15:19-26, John 20:1-18



The Day Grace Happened to You

He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By his wounds you are healed. 1 Peter 2:24 NLT

Christ took away your sins. Where did he take them? To the top of a hill called Calvary, where he endured not just the nails of the Romans, the mockery of the crowd, and the spear of the soldier but the anger of God.

Saturate your heart in this, the finest summary of God's greatest accomplishment: "God in his greatest kindness declares us not guilty. He has done this through Christ Jesus, who has freed us by taking away our sins. **For God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins** and to satisfy God's anger against us. We are made right with God when we believe that Jesus shed his blood, sacrificing his life for us" (Romans 3:24-25 NLT, emphasis mine).

God didn't overlook your sins, lest he endorse them. He didn't punish you, lest he destroy you. He instead found a way to punish the sin and preserve the sinner. Jesus took your punishment, and God gave you credit for Jesus' perfection.

As long as the cross is God's gift to the world, it will touch you but not change you. Precious as it is to proclaim, "Christ died for the world," even sweeter is to whisper, "Christ died for **me**."

Thank God for the day Jesus took your place, for the day grace happened to you.

Max Lucado

Women's Fellowship will be meeting in the hall on Thursday 1st May at 1:00pm. A speaker from Aged care will be our guest for the afternoon.



As we know, Election Day is on Saturday May 3rd. As with every election, Golden Grove Uniting Church will be used as a polling Station. We will be tempting voters with a Sausage Sizzle as a fundraiser and will also have some stalls with various items for sale. Please come and support us.

Many thanks.



Community Breakfast

Date : 26th April

Cost : \$10 per head

Time : 8:30 for 9:00 am

Venue : Golden Grove Uniting Church Hall

Join us for a **Musical Morning Breakfast!**

Songs of the 60's—80's.



Guest Musician and singer — **Sotiata**
Bookings essential.



Please RSVP David Mapp 0448 755 806

Youth 3:16 is on School Holiday Break.

A Prayer for Easter

Heavenly and Almighty Father, I give thanks this day for your great gift of Jesus Christ, that you would love me so much you'd send your only Son to live and die for my sins. I celebrate in his glorious resurrection, claiming victory over death and sin. May I daily die to my sin, ever stepping closer to you and your path for my life. Forgive my sins, Lord, and let me live fully in the joy of Christ. Amen.



There is no Café Church this evening.

Important Dates 2025

<u>Community Breakfast</u>	Saturday 26th April	8:30 am
<u>Pastoral Carer's Zoom Meeting</u>	Tuesday 29th April	7:00pm
<u>Women's Fellowship</u>	Thursday 1st May	1:00 pm
<u>Youth 3:16</u>	Friday 2nd May	6:15 pm
<u>Election BBQ & Stalls</u>	Saturday 3rd May	
<u>Church Council Retreat</u>	Saturday 10th May	