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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.



Today

Leader— Rykhardt(am), James(pm)

Preacher— James

Reader— Owen

Welcome— Andrew

Manager— Neil

Musician – Brunetta

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

Editing— Rykhardt (audio)

Morning Tea— Chris De Brenne &
Katherine McDonald

Next Week

Leader— Jonathan (am& pm)

Preacher— Kathryn

Reader— Peter

Welcome— Bob

Manager— Ray

Musician – Brunetta

Technical Crew— Ruan & Rykhardt
(am) David (pm)

Editing— Jonathan (audio)

Morning Tea— Tina & Ailsa

The Weekly Word

Sunday 25th May 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— Owen

Theme – God is the Temple

Reading: Rev. 21:22-27

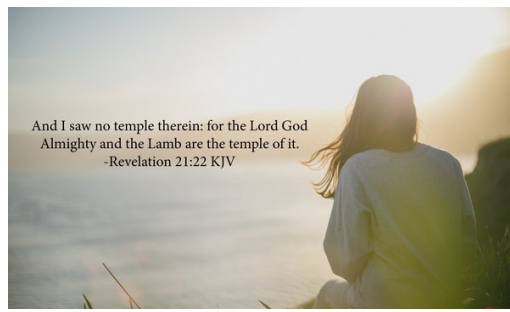
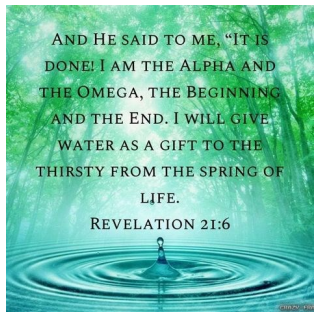
Face to Face with God

We all know the phrase, "the church is not the building, the church is the people." But the building does matter as well! That's why we at Golden Grove UC spend time and money improving, repairing and renovating our property. It was like this in Biblical times as well. Five chapters in the Bible (1 Kings 5-9) are spent describing and detailing how the temple in Jerusalem was built, and the temple was the centre of daily and religious life in ancient Israel.

There is something special about the place where we meet God face to face. In the Old Testament, the people of God constantly name places where God did something important, building altars and monuments and worshipping there. We do it too! Many of us have stories of a time and place where God spoke to us. We might have favourite spots to pray, or places that remind us of the glory of God. These are like little temples or churches.

In the end, these places are not special because of their own merit, but because of the great God we meet there. In days to come, Revelation 21:22 tells us, there won't be any need for a place of worship because God and Jesus will be right there with us all the time. God is the true temple, and all the places we meet Him in this life are little appetisers that point forward to what it will be like in the new heaven and earth, after Jesus returns. Let's cherish them while we wait.

James



Estia Prayer Group

We have been holding a Thursday Morning Prayer Group at Estia Nursing Home from 9-10 am, in the small side-lounge. If you wish to attend, we can meet you at the entrance to direct you. Contact Ray Holroyd if you have any questions.



There will be a Service at Estia on Monday 19th May at 2:00 pm.



Women's Fellowship

A tentative booking has been made at the TAFE Regency Park for a two course lunch on Thursday 5th June at a cost of \$36.00. If interested, a list will be on the back hall table for you to put your names down. If you need a lift, you will need to be at the church for 11:15am ready to leave at 11:30, to be seated at TAFE for 12:15.

Working Bee

Saturday 7th June 8: am



Mission and Wider Works Lunch

On Sunday 1st June, the Mission and Wider Works committee are holding a Soup and Rolls lunch after the Service. If you would like to join us for great fellowship and a lovely meal, could you please write your name on the list at the back of the hall for catering purposes. The cost will be \$10 per person and all proceeds go to the charities we support throughout the year. We look forward to sharing lunch with you.



So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Women's Breakfast



On Saturday, the women who attended the breakfast at Milk and Honey, were treated with yet another wonderful testament of faith and courage when our own Sue Rhodes spoke to us about her life journey under the title "Stepping off a cliff". We thank you Sue, for your courage in sharing your journey and your experiences that showed that God will always catch us when we take that leap of faith by stepping off the cliff.

Important Dates 2025

<u>Youth 3:16</u>	Friday 30th May	Name That Tune	6:15 pm
<u>Mission and Wider Work Lunch</u>	Sunday 1st June		
<u>Women's Fellowship</u>	Thursday 5th June		1:00 pm
<u>Working Bee</u>	Saturday 7th June		
<u>King's Birthday Holiday</u>	Monday 9th June		
<u>Church Council Meeting</u>	Tuesday 17th June		7:00 pm