

Contact Information

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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.

Café Church

6:00pm

A relaxed, contemporary service held every Sunday in the Church Hall. This week's team will be:



Leader: James **Technical Crew:** David **Topic:** TBA

Today

Leader— Sue(am)&James(pm)

Preacher— James

Reader— Marion

Welcome— Rykhardt

Manager— Ray

Musicians— Brunetta & Ken

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

Editing— Lucinda (audio)

Morning Tea— Ken & Owen

Next Week

Leader— James (am & pm)

Preacher— Rev. David Kowalick

Reader— Peter

Welcome— Andrew

Manager— Neil

Musicians — Brunetta & Ken

Technical Crew— Lucinda, Rykhardt, (am) Ralph (pm)

Editing— Rykhardt (audio)

Morning Tea— David & Linda

The Weekly Word

Sunday 16th November 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— Marion

Theme – Deliver Us From The Evil One

Reading: Matt 4: 1-11

The Source of Evil

Satan, the Devil, Lucifer, Beelzebub... all names for an important Biblical figure that has passed into pop culture, yet remains a mystery to many. The cartoonish depiction of Satan as a red humanoid with horns, a tail and a pitchfork drives many to mock the idea that such a being could exist. Some television shows even depict Satan as a somewhat sympathetic anti-heroic figure. Even we as Christians often don't know what to make of Satan and feel uncomfortable even mentioning him.

Whatever the world may think, though, Satan exists and is no laughing matter. It really shouldn't surprise us that there is an ultimate personification of evil. No one who knows the horrors of warfare, the Holocaust or the Snowtown murders could deny that evil is real and more horrible than we can imagine. What could drive human beings to do such inhumane things? Satan is the answer. If God is the source of all things good, then Satan is the source of evil.

Charles Baudelaire once said that "the finest trick of the devil is to persuade you that he does not exist." We are as vulnerable to this as anyone: it's easy to go about our lives as if evil isn't there. But we also mustn't despair, for Christ has overcome the world and all Satan's efforts are doomed to failure (Revelation 20:10). That's why Paul tells us to stand against Satan with the full armour of God (Ephesians 6:11). We don't need to fight back: all we need to do is stand firm in the knowledge of God. He will deliver us from the evil one.

James





This week in Prayer

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God. 2. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God. Psalm 42: 1-2

Please pray for the Yr 12 students who are now sitting their exams. Especially keep Ruan and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Women's Breakfast

We will be having a Christmas Themed, Women's Breakfast at **Milk and Honey** on **Saturday November 29th** at **9:00 am**. Wear your best Christmas outfits We will also partake in a collaborative Christmas activity. Look forward to seeing you all there.



Advent Friend

A reminder to add your name to the sheet in the hall by today, if you would like to participate in this fun Christmas activity. It begins on the **30th of November—Hope**, followed each week with **7th Dec—Peace**, **14th Dec—Joy** and finally, **21st Dec—Love**. If you have any questions please contact Sandy Walker.



GGUC Council Elections for 2026

The election for Elders and Councillors for the year 2026 will be held immediately following today's morning worship. The meeting will be solely for the purpose of electing Church Council for 2026. Those renominating will have an (*) against their names on the ballot paper:

ELDER:

Julia Delen
Andrew MacTier (*)
Sue Rhodes
Sandy Walker (*)

CHURCH COUNCILLOR:

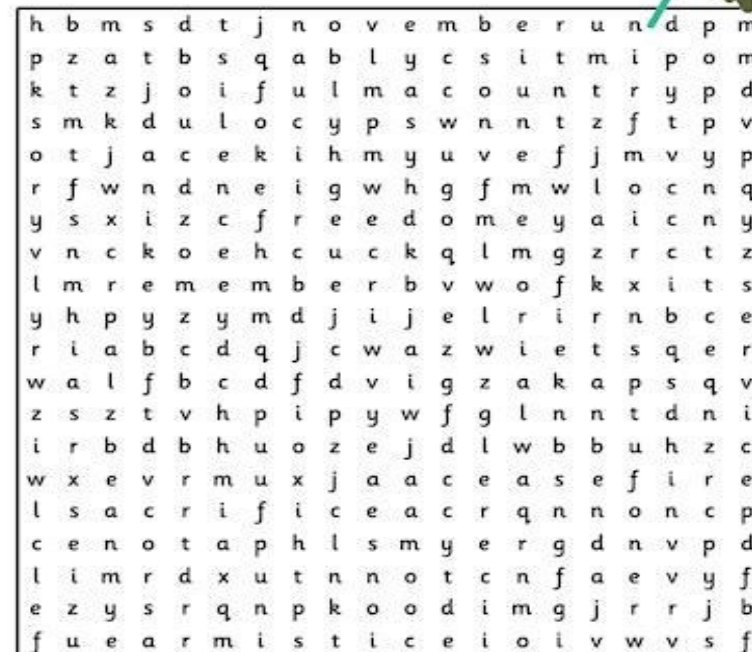
Chris Holroyd (*)
Sheila MacTier (*)
Katherine McDonald (*)
Trevor Walker (*)

Proxy voting is not permitted; members must be present in order to vote. Only full members and members-in-association may vote.

The new Church Council will take office on 1 January, 2026



Remembrance Day Word Search



ceasefire	conflict	poppy	Flanders	wreath
remember	November	armistice	war	memorial
peace	sacrifice	freedom	service	country
silence	Cenotaph			

Important Dates 2025

Youth 3:16 **Friday 21st November** **Painting Challenge** 6:15 pm

MWW Pot Luck Lunch **Sunday 16th November**

Estia Service **Monday 17th November** 2.00pm

Church Council Meeting **Tuesday 18th November** 7:00pm

Women's Breakfast **Saturday 29th November** 9:00am

My beloved

With pencil stub.

Faint now, the light fades

and I wonder....

Who will know I'm me when I'm gone?

Who will know this numb ring

held my frozen finger?

Who will know these tattered boots with gaping smiles letting in the mud

held my khaki green swelling feet and frigid toes?

And who will know that these shredded, sopping gloves

held the trigger finger and the hands that held you

Who will know this stiff, mud-caked wreck is me?

I am the unknown warrior

Your beloved.

By Sybil Pretious

