

That means being willing to embrace anything that helps others hear and respond to the message of Jesus and letting go of anything that stands in the way of this.

As Paul writes elsewhere:

"I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel..." (1 Corinthians 9:22-23)

May we, and all who follow Christ in this place, do likewise for the next 160 years—and beyond.

Jonathan



Women's Fellowship are having a "Christmas in July" lunch on July 2nd at "Fasta Pasta" Golden Grove, at 12:30pm. If you are interested in attending this function, please write your name on the sheet at the back of the hall. (At least Santa won't notice if he spills sauce on his suit!)



"Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming."
1 Peter 1:13

New Coffee Machine

Thanks to grant funding from Uniting Foundation, we have been able to buy a new commercial coffee machine to add first class café hospitality to our church life and mission activities.

We invite any church family members who would like to add "Barista" to their list of accomplishments to register interest with Trevor Walker or Jonathan Button. We will shortly be running a free barista training session for any who would like to be involved.



When we're up and running the barista coffee will have a cost (we're working on competitive pricing). Conventional tea and coffee will continue to be available free, or optional donation.

Looking forward to the taste test!

*Baristas will also need to complete the free, online DoFoodSafely course & certificate through the Tea Trea Gully Council website - <https://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/index.php/en/>



Happy 160th Birthday!



Open Table

We had another wonderful morning of fellowship at Milk and Honey. It was lovely to see some new faces along with our regulars.



A big thank you to Jo Smalbil for sharing stories with us about her experience as a pastor with Frontier Services. It was a great reminder of the difficulties faced by Outback Communities.



Could you please note these [changes](#) to [Peter and Yvonne Kollasche's](#) details. Could you write these changes in your directories. The Kollasche's email address is [Yvonne's mobile number is](#)



We all have our moments when we accidentally drop food or accidentally spill our beverages. To help keep our beautiful new carpet squares in optimum condition could you please let someone know when this occurs so it can be attended to immediately. Many thanks.

Important Dates 2026

Youth 3:16 **Friday 3rd July** **Fireworks and Bonfire** 6:15 pm

Craft Group **Tuesday 7th July** 10:30am

Women's fellowship **2nd July "Christmas in July Lunch"** 12:30pm

Working Bee **Saturday 4th July**

Ministry Team @goldengrove

Minister: Jonathan Button 0.7 time (*days off - Mon & Wed)

Associate Pastor: James Ross-Naylor 0.2 time

Administrator: Cath McKecknie 0.1 time

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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— Jonathan (am) James (pm)

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader— Barrie

Welcome— Ray

Manager— Neil

Musicians— Brunetta

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

Editing— Lucinda (video)

Morning Tea— Morning Tea Ladies to
all chip in.

Next Week (5th July)

Leader— James

Preacher— James

Reader— Andrew

Welcome— Andrew

Manager— Neil

Musicians – Recorded music

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

Editing— Rykhardt (video)

Morning Tea— Peter & Yvonne

The Weekly Word

Sunday 28th June 2026



Welcome to Golden Grove Uniting Church

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

Welcome to worship today. We especially welcome visitors with us.

10 am Morning Worship

Sermon Series: The Gifts & Gifts of The Holy Spirit

Today's theme: Back To The future

Reader— Barrie

Preacher— Jonathan

Reading: Eph1: 3-14

5:45 pm Café Church Relaxed, contemporary service in the hall

Topic : Hope and Hospitality Leader: James Technical Crew: Ralph

Back to the Future

In the Bible, remembering the past always fires our imaginations toward the future.

We give thanks for 160 years of Golden Grove Church—for the people who came to faith in Jesus and joined together in worship, service, and witness. Yet the significance of those 160 years, and of the Church's 2,000-year history, is not simply what has happened in the past. It is being part of a larger purpose: helping all people hear and respond to the message of Jesus Christ.

Paul describes a vision in which, from the very beginning, God's purpose has been to bring all people and all things together under the gracious rule of Jesus Christ as the true King (Ephesians 1:3–14).

This includes every family and nation on earth, and every family and culture in Australia, South Australia, Golden Grove, and the Kurna – the original custodians of this land.

We can move forward with faith and confidence that this purpose is being accomplished, and we are called to play our part in it through every aspect of our lives and witness.

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