

If you don't know, ask your friends and church family; they might see how God is using you to lift others up, even without you realising it. Discover your gifts, learn to use them, and thank God for them. They're gifts, after all!

James

David Williams - Bush Church Aid

David visited us here at Golden Grove last year before taking up a Bush Church Aid Ministry position in Western Tasmania. David will be visiting us again on **August 23rd** to preach and share with us about his mission work in Tasmania, which will be a great encouragement to us in our mission work in Golden Grove.



"He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you."

Luke 17:6

Community Breakfast



Date: 29th August **Cost:** \$10 per head

Time: 8:30 for 9:00 am start

Venue: Golden Grove Uniting Church Hall

Guest Speaker: Nina Swiderski talking about cochlear ear implants

Please RSVP by 23rd August - David Mapp 0448 755 806

You can also write your name on the list at the back of the hall.



SAVE THE DATE: **Saturday 17 October, 2026**, at **Burnside City Uniting Church**. This free Generate Presbytery event will be an encouragement for all of us, but especially relevant for anyone in leadership. Put it in your diary!



Fruit of the Spirit Word Scramble

1. EOVL _____
2. OYJ _____
3. CPEEA _____
4. ATCPNEEI _____
5. INSKENSD _____
6. DGSONSEO _____
7. ATEFNUSILHFS _____
8. TEEEGLNSS _____
9. FELS RONOCLT _____

Important Dates 2026

<u>Youth 3:16</u>	Friday 21st August	Trivia Night	6:15pm
<u>Estia Nursing Home</u>	Monday 17th August		
<u>Church Council</u>	Tuesday 18th August		7:00pm
<u>Community Breakfast</u>	Saturday 29th August		8:30 am
<u>The Open Table</u>	Saturday 5th September		9:00am

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— James(am) Jonathan(pm)

Preacher— James

Reader— Peter

Welcome— Sue

Manager— Neil

Musicians – Recorded music

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

Editing— Rykhardt (audio)

Morning Tea— Faye & Sue (am)

Café Church Baristas - Ralph, Nelleke, Sandy, Chris D (pm)

Next Week(23rd)

Leader— Jonathan (am & pm)

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader— Ailsa

Welcome— Andrew

Manager— Ray

Musician— Recorded Music

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

Editing— Lucinda (audio)

Morning Tea— Chris De B, Katherine

Café Church Baristas - Ralph, Sarah, Kathryn, Trevor (pm)

The Weekly Word

Sunday 16th August 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: Life in The Spirit

Today's theme: The Gifts of The Spirit

Reader— Peter

Preacher— James

Reading: Eph 4:1—13

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

Topic : Essentials Of Faith Leader: Jonathan Technical Crew: Ralph

Gifted!

Today's theme is "the gifts of the Spirit." But what exactly are these gifts? Many of us will be familiar with the lists of spiritual gifts Paul gives us in 1 Corinthians 12 8-10 and Ephesians 4:11. Included are preaching, teaching, prophecy, wisdom, healing, speaking in tongues and many others. But we use the same idea elsewhere in life. As a child I was labelled "gifted" for excelling in many subjects at school. We also speak of gifted musicians, artists, sportspeople... the list goes on!

The idea behind these gifts is that they are, indeed, gifts. We didn't obtain them on our own merits, or spend or trade something to receive them. They were *given* to us, freely, no strings attached. This shouldn't be a surprise to any of us, because we know we were formed by God, uniquely as we are, including what we are good at. All of our gifts – spiritual and mundane alike – are a part of God's wonderful design for our lives.

What are your gifts? Some are obvious, some are subtle, but all are important, a part of the grace God gives us (Ephesians 4:7).

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