

Vision Statement:

We see a Jesus-orientated church having a passion for the Gospel and compassion for the world expressed through dynamic worship, love in action, the empowering of the servant leaders and the growing of disciples.

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I am available in the event of emergencies at any time, but other than that would appreciate not receiving calls on Wednesdays, where possible, as this is my day off.

**Church Telephone Number: 8251 4298**

This Week's Roster

3rd March, 2019

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Jonathan**  
Leader (pm): **David M.**  
Welcome: **Sylvia**  
Duty Elder: **Jane**  
Reader: **James**  
Musician: **Heather**  
Stewards: **Cath & John**  
Manager: **Max**  
Crèche: **Katherine**  
Kidz Connect: **Sarah B.**  
Morning Tea: **Myra, Peter & Yvonne**  
Audio: **Jim**  
Visual: **James**  
Cleaning: **Coral, Neil, Jill, Lynne & Katherine**

Next Week's Roster

10th March, 2019

Preacher: **Jonathan**  
Leader (am): **Kathryn**  
Leader (pm): **Jonathan**  
Welcome: **Lila**  
Duty Elder: **Jane**  
Reader: **Janet**  
Musician: **Brunetta**  
Stewards: **Kevin & Max**  
Manager: **Max**  
Crèche: **Coral**  
Kidz Connect: **Tina**  
Morning Tea: **Katherine & Sarah B.**  
Audio: **Jim**  
Visual: **James**  
Cleaning: **\*\*\*\*\***

Annual General Meeting

On Sunday, 3rd March, our AGM will be held after Worship. The whole of the congregation is invited to attend. At this meeting there will be an election for Congregational Chairperson and Congregational Secretary.

The Congregational Chairperson's role is to chair all congregational meetings and the Congregational Secretary's is to take minutes for these meetings.

# Golden Grove Gazette

Keeping in touch with the G.G.U.C. family

<http://goldengroveuniting.org.au>

Sunday, 3rd March, 2019

Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

Preacher: **Jonathan**

Theme: **Don't be plagued**

Scripture Readings: **Exodus 34: 29-33, Revelation 15: 1-8 and Luke 9: 28-36 & 37-43a**

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church

## Who's Responsible?...

Do you notice that whenever a politician is asked a question, the most crucial piece of information they assure us of is that *they most definitely are not responsible!*... It is always the opposition who are responsible, either because of what they've done, or failed to do, while in power. And they all do this "to a T" – from Prime Minister down to the lowliest back-bencher.

The sobering thought is, our government is a *representative democracy*. When we look at the politicians, we are looking into a kind of mirror – we cannot avoid seeing in them a certain *representation of ourselves!*

Canadian psychologist, Jordan Peterson, appeared on this week's ABC Q&A programme, with his message that it is essential for every human being to *take responsibility* – for themselves, their attitudes and behaviour, and for their neighbour and the world, seeking to do the best they can to contribute positively to them.

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This is not a popular message, in a society (like ours) that essentially avoids all personal responsibility, and blames others (usually one particular “type” of group, or another – i.e., the Liberal party, the Labor party, social “progressives”, conservatives, Christians, Muslims, men, or feminists, etc. etc.).

God says to all, “*you are responsible*” (2 Cor 5:10). But this is a part of His Word of salvation to humanity. Firstly this “nails” us for our myriad forms of selfishness and failure. Then, as we acknowledge this and take responsibility, God declares a merciful and full forgiveness through the cross of His Son, Jesus Christ, which justifies us, and gives us a new life that we may live, for God, for our neighbour and the world, *assuming our true responsibility toward them*.

Responsibility is a *gift of grace*.

*Grace and cheers, Jonathan*

#### Lenten Boxes

The first week of Lent commences on Sunday, 10th March. Lent concludes on Palm Sunday, 14th April. The Lenten boxes will be placed on the table at the back of the hall for anyone who would like to take one home and return it on Sunday, 14th April. Thank you very much.

#### An Apology from John Wheatcroft

There is an error in my Annual Report.

At the end of line 16 the word **only** should be changed to **not**.

The sentence should read: Golden Grove Uniting Church will not accept marriages of same sex couples.

I apologise for any distress caused by this mistake.

*John Wheatcroft: Church Council Chairperson*



## **GOLDEN GROVE UNITING CHURCH**

**SATURDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019**

# **FUN NIGHT**

**“Rockin - On” 60s & 70s BAND**

**7pm till Late**

**\$15 per Adult (Children under 12 Free)**

**Sausage Sizzle from 5.30 – 6.30 at a Cost of \$2.50**

**Soft Drinks for Sale**

**Alcohol free fun**

**Bring nibbles**

**Join In *The Fun!***



# PASTORAL CARE WORKER

## Position Vacant Advertisement



### PASTORAL CARE WORKER

(Previously known as "School Chaplain")

### GREENWITH PRIMARYSCHOOL

**Address: 1500 Golden Grove Rd., Greenwith 5125**

Schools Ministry Group along with Schools Ministry Tea Tree Gully (Support Group) are seeking applications for this 9hour per week position, commencing Term 2, 2019.

The position exists to offer Chaplaincy Services to students, staff and the school community.

A Job and Person Specification, including details on "How to Apply", is available from Schools Ministry Group on 8378 6800 or [mail@smg.asn.au](mailto:mail@smg.asn.au)

**Closing date: midnight, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2019**

Interested? For more info, attend the next **SMG Information Session**. For details, go to: [www.smg.asn.au](http://www.smg.asn.au)

### AN ABUNDANCE OF ACTIVE ANTS ON THE ATTACK

The ants have been bathing in the sugar dispensers. When these dispensers are not in use they must be kept in the air tight (if the lid is secured) container that has been provided. In addition, the biscuit containers are meant to be air tight and safe from ants, ONLY IF the lids are fully secured. Used tea towels are not to be left in a bunch on the kitchen bench. If the TTG Council makes a surprise visit and sees the tea towels, we shall be in BIG trouble.

### Dates for our Diaries

- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 4th March: 2.00 pm
- Shrove Tuesday: Tuesday, 5th March
- Craft Group: Tuesday, 5th March: 1.30 pm
- Ash Wednesday: Wednesday, 6th March
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 7th March: 1.00 pm
- Working Bee: Saturday, 9th March: 8.00 am
- First Sunday in Lent: Sunday, 10th March
- Elders Meeting: Tuesday, 12th March: 7.00 pm
- Day of Prayer: Thursday, 14th March: 8.00 am to 6.00 pm
- Fun Night: Saturday, 16th March: 5.30 pm onwards to Dawn
- Second Sunday in Lent: Sunday, 17th March
- Commissioning Service for Elders & Councillors: Sunday, 17th March
- Craft Group: Tuesday, 19th March: 1.30 pm
- Church Council: Tuesday, 19th March: 7.00 pm
- Third Sunday in Lent: Sunday, 24th March
- Fourth Sunday in Lent: Sunday, 31st March
- Palm Sunday: Sunday, 14th April
- Church Council & Elders Retreat: Saturday, 18th May: 10.00 am

### Easter Services

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, 18th April at 7.00 pm

Good Friday: Friday, 19th April at 9.00 am

Easter Sunday Dawn Service: : Sunday, 21st April at 7.00 am

Easter Sunday Service: Sunday, 21st April at 10.00 am

Easter Sunday: No Evening Service

### Recycling News

With our latest collection in February, we raised \$80.00 for our church. Thank you so much to the congregation for its continuing support.

From the Church Council

On Tuesday night, 19th February, elections were held for the following four positions: Church Council Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and Minute Taker. The following persons accepted these positions:

Church Council Chairperson: John Wheatcroft  
Secretary: Cath McKechnie  
Treasurer: Chris Holroyd  
Minute Taker: Alan Howard-Jones

Congratulations to Richardt Wilkinson on being elected Head Elder.



Something Old, Borrowed or Blue?

Yes, ladies, it is time to show and tell all.

At what? Women's Fellowship

When? Thursday, 7th March at 1.00 pm

Where? GGUC Church Hall

Please bring something of interest. It does not have to be borrowed, old or even blue.

It should be a fun-filled afternoon, even if, after you have shown and told all, you may feel that your reputation will never be the same again.

I look forward to seeing all our ladies there.

God bless, Eileen.

Activities Leaders to Contact

Craft Group: Katherine McDonald  
Day of Prayer: Ray Holroyd  
Kidz Club / 12UP: James Ross-Naylor, Katherine McDonald and Sarah Baeker  
KYB (Know Your Bible): Joan Checkley  
*mainly music*: Katherine McDonald  
Men's Bible Study: Jonathan Button  
Mission and Wider Work: Coral Larcombe  
Music Worship Service: Jonathan Button and James Ross-Naylor  
Philippines: Gordon Cooksey  
Schools Ministry: John Wheatcroft  
Women's Fellowship: Eileen Stapleton  
Working Bees: Max Reed

Pastoral Care Worker Coordinators



Banksia Park Primary School: Barbara Collins

Greenwith Primary School: Chris Holroyd



What's on at Golden Grove Uniting Church?

Sunday – 10.00 am	Worship and Children's Programme
Sunday – 6.00 pm	Sunday Night Music Worship Service
Monday – 10.00 am	KYB – Know Your Bible Women's Bible Study
Monday – 2.00 pm	Worship at Estia Aged Care (monthly)
Tuesday - 9.00 am	Men's Fellowship at Soul Café
Tuesday -10.30 am	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday – 1.30 pm	Craft (first and third Tuesday of each month)
Thursday - 8.00 am	Day of Prayer (second Thursday of each month)
Thursday -10.00 am	Men's Bible Study
Thursday – 1.00 pm	Women's Fellowship (monthly)
Thursday - 6.45 pm	Men's Bible Study
Friday – 9.30 am	<i>mainly music</i> (for 0-5 years old)
Saturday – 8.00 am	Working Bee (monthly)
Saturday – 7.00 pm	Kidz Club / 12UP (1st Saturday of each month)

Mission and Wider Work - Fundraising for Mission, in Australia and overseas (as advised)