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### Maintenance Programme

Reminder that you will find the blue envelopes on the table at the back of the church and in the hall, if you would like to contribute towards the ongoing cost of maintaining our church.

### 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—Kathryn

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader— Peter

Welcome— Andrew

Manager—John

Musician —Brunetta

Technical Crew— Ruan, Tim ,

Rykhardt

Editing—Rykhardt

Morning Tea—Trevor and Sandy

### Next Week

Leader—James(am) Jonathan(pm)

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader— Barrie

Welcome— Bob

Manager—Neil

Musician —Brunetta

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

Editing—Jonathan (audio)

Morning Tea—Peter and Yvonne

## The Weekly Word

Sunday 7th July 2024



### Golden Grove Uniting Church Mission Statement

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

### Today

Preacher—Jonathan

Reader—Peter

Theme—Children of the Light

Reading : Ephesians 5:5 –21

### **As Sure as Eggs**

The expression "as sure as eggs" is not just a peculiar phrase but a powerful metaphor for certainty. As we know without a doubt that eggs are eggs, we can equally certain about God's promises.

In Algebra, a basic equation is that X always equals X. If something is accepted as true by all mathematicians and logicians, it is just that—that  $x = x$ . So if you want a guarantee of the accuracy of a prediction, for instance, you might emphasise that it is as **sure as x is x or eggs are eggs**.

Christians affirm that God's word is unchanging and reliable . We can be confident in the assurance that he will fulfil his promises. There is no need for revision or retraction. As Paul the apostle said, "He who calls you is faithful, and he will do it". (1Thessalonians5:24). This unwavering faithfulness is echoed in 1 Corinthians 1:9; 2 Corinthians 1:18-22; 2 Timothy 2:13 and 1 Peter 4:19.

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The scriptures repeatedly demonstrate that God is faithful to his word. We can be as sure as eggs are eggs about his promises.

**Importantly, are you certain about your relationship with him?**

**Gordon Crabb**



We have another special birthday happening in our congregation this week! Caroline is turning 18 on Friday! Where did those years go! We hope you have a wonderful day.



Lots of love from your Church family. xxx

#### Mission and Wider Work

After Sunday worship on July 14th, we are having soup and rolls and sweets, at a cost of \$10.00 per person. There is a list on the table at the back of the hall. Could you please add your name to it for catering purposes. Hope you can stay for lunch and a time of fellowship.



Youth 3:16 will be **returning on Friday 26th July** at 6:15 pm. Look forward to seeing you then.

If you have any announcements or interesting items for our newsletter, please feel free to send them to me at: [ctwstokes@bigpond.com](mailto:ctwstokes@bigpond.com)

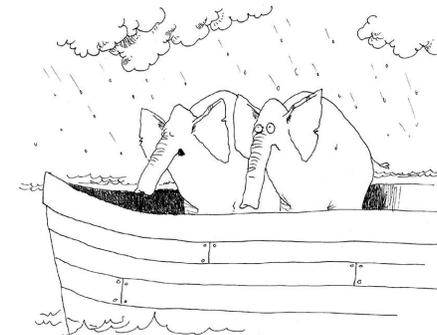
#### Make Your Choice



Would you rather .....

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|-----------------------|----|-------------------------|
| Name the animals      | or | Build the ark           |
| Face Goliath          | or | Sleep in a Lion's den   |
| See the plagues       | or | Cross the Red Sea       |
| Hike with Abraham     | or | Travel with Paul        |
| Travel by boat        | or | Travel by donkey        |
| Lunch with David      | or | Lunch with Job          |
| The wisdom of Solomon | or | The strength of Samson  |
| Watch God create      | or | Watch the Resurrection  |
| Be a Fisherman        | or | Be a Tax Collector      |
| Eat only Manna        | or | Be swallowed by a whale |
| Hear Jesus teach      | or | Eat with Jesus          |

You could share your answers with your Home Group and explain your choices with them. Could make for some interesting discussion with a few laughs.



"Great, our first cruise and it rains for 40 days and nights."