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Jonathan will be on annual leave from December 28th— January 8th and then from January 28th—February 3rd 2025.



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.

<u>Today</u>

Leader— James Preacher— Jonathan Reader- Peter Welcome- Bob Manager— Ray Musician - Brunetta Technical Crew— Ruan, Rykhardt Editing— Rykhardt (audio) Morning Tea— Linda and David

<u>Next Week</u>

Leader— Rykhardt Preacher— Kathryn Reader- Rykhardt Welcome- Faye Manager— John Musician - Brunetta Technical Crew— Ruan, Lucinda, Editing— Lucinda (video) Morning Tea— Ken and Owen

The Weekly Word



Sunday 22nd December 2024

Golden Grove Uniting Church Mission Statement

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

<u>Today</u>

<u>Preacher</u>—Jonathan <u>Theme</u> –Mary's Song <u>Reader</u>— Peter

<u>Reading</u>: Luke 1: 39 –55

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord: Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail th' incarnate Deity! Pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus our Immanuel.



One of our favourite things about this time of year is the opportunity and excuse to sing Christmas carols. So many of the words are rich and worth meditating on.

Charles Wesley's hymn, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing is a family favourite and captures the mystery and beauty of the incarnation. Pleased as man with man to dwell - how amazing that God Himself should become one of us, live amongst us, live the life we should have lived, and die in our place. And then, wonderfully, to be raised so that we will be raised with Him! There is <u>everything</u> to celebrate here! So, sing those carols! Celebrate Christmas with all joy! On a personal note, Kathryn and I warmly thank you for your cards and Christmas wishes. We wish you the best of Christmases, and the peace that comes from knowing Jesus our Immanuel.



Happy new year! Jonathan and Kathryn



CHRISTMAS CAROLS and LESSONS

The Carols and Lessons Service is on Tuesday 24th December at 6:00pm .Could we please bring a plate to share in the hall with a cuppa after the service .

Thank you members of the congregation for your amazing support in bringing food on Communion Sundays, then over the last few months every Sunday. With your help this year, we have delivered 50 bags full of food and another 10 bags with toys. These have gone to families old and young, families affected by Domestic Violence

and the Homeless in our community.

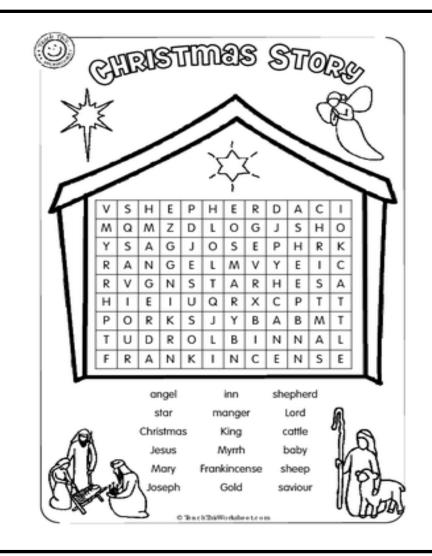
We also supplied clothes, bedding, furniture and toys during the year. Thank you for your ongoing support.



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Happy 4th week of advent





Important Dates

Youth 3:16HOLIDAY BREAKAdvent FriendSunday 22nd December (Love)Christmas Eve CarolsTuesday 24th December 6:00 pmChristmas Day ServiceWednesday 25th December 9:00 am