



Welcome

We're really glad you could join us! We hope you find warm friendship with us and clear practical help to follow Jesus. You might like to note the following

- Toilets are located at the rear of the Church
- Kids' Church begins about 10am and goes until the end of the service
- A parents' room is available in the church. Care is provided in the cottage during the second half of the service for children 0-3 years.
- If you have a hearing aid, switch it to "T" to access our induction loop.



For Your Prayer

- Pray for Nigeria: Pray for the dismantling of widespread corruption which cripples all levels of society – especially the government and including the church. Pray for an emphasis on discipleship and balanced Bible teaching in the Nigerian church, which continues to experience massive growth but whose teaching is often syncretistic and prosperity based. Pray for increasingly persecuted Christians in Islamised northern states to be characterised by supernatural love and forgiveness.
- Save your people, O Lord, and bless your heritage; feed them, and lift them up for ever. Give strength to your people, and bless your people with peace; surround them with your favour as with a shield.



What's Happening?

Focus for January – Rest & Refresh

I encourage you to briefly do three things each night: *review, remember, and rest*. First review: Take a moment to re-view your day expressing gratitude, asking for forgiveness, strength, and wisdom in due measure. Second remember: God is compassionate, he loves his children, he is near and working. Remember he will never leave you or forsake you or his church. Remember his promises and the gospel is genuinely good news. Third rest: The day is done, so lay it at the feet of God. You don't need to do anything else today. More importantly, your sins are covered so rest in that assurance. (An excerpt from *You're Only Human* by Kelly Kopic)

School Holidays

The regular activities of our church will be in recess until NSW public schools are back on Friday 27th January. Our hope is that you will come each Sun-

day for worship (and help out where needed) and enjoy a rest from Church activities for the rest of the week.

Kids' Church over the School Holidays

Holiday Kids' church is on! All children will start in the church building as usual. When it is time for the children to leave – Sprouts/crèche go to the cottage as usual, Seedlings and Saplings go to the church hall, kids in years 3 - 4 have the option of going to the hall or staying in church, kids in years 5-6 are to stay in church. Kids' activity sheets will be left in the back row of seats in the church building for kids staying in church.

Church Camp | 3rd - 5th March 2023

Theme: Family Reunion. At YWAM, Tahlee. All registrations need to be in by 29th January which is approaching very soon. Please see Tom or Sarah Baldwin or Liz Hyslop for more information.

Small Groups

Why not consider joining a small group in 2023? They are a great way to grow in your faith and to strengthen ties with other Christians. We run groups for men and women, young and old, day and night, ZOOM and live, weekly or fortnightly. You are sure to find a group that will suit you. Just see Jon, Stephen or one of the elders.

Family Fellowship | Sunday 29th January 12:15pm

Stephen and Kaylene are hosting a BBQ and swim at their place 19 Imperial Close, Floraville for all families that have at least one child in Years 4-9. If that is you, please come along. RSVP to Stephen on 0426 829080 before Friday 27th January. It is hoped that there will be a regular social event for these families on the last weekend of each month.

Men's Event | Saturday 18th February 9am - 12pm

A bushwalk in Glenrock State Conservation Area. Bible talk and encouragement in God's creation, swim optional with a steep return walk. Contact Colin Wright or Stuart Blanch to confirm and carpool. A handout with a map and more details will be available closer to the event.

Kids and Families Worker

With Suzie leaving our position in January this year, we will be advertising and interviewing prospective candidates for her replacement in February/March this year. This position is for approximately 8-10 hours per week. For more information, please see Jon or Stephen.

The Race of Faith

Readings: Hebrews 11:1-22, Hebrews 11:23-12:2



Sunday 22nd January 2023



The Race of Faith Services

Charlestown: 9:45am & 6pm
Swansea: 8am

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Songs: All Creatures of Our God and King
Come People of the Risen King
Yet Not I But Christ Through Me
By Faith

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Welcome & Prayer

Song Praise My Soul

Bible reading Hebrews 11:1-22

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Song Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Bible reading Hebrews 11:23-12:2

Sermon The Race of Faith

Song Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Closing Prayer



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