



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 the Prince of Peace to bring about meaningful reconciliation between Jewish and Arab leaders. Pray for Christian leaders to boldly live out the gospel in spite of attack and betrayal. Pray for demonstrations of love and concern for Palestinian exiles.
- Pray that we would cherish the gospel. Pray we wouldn't assume the gospel and then lose it like has happened so often in church history. Pray we wouldn't slide away from the wonder of the gospel of grace. Pray that we wouldn't be ashamed of it, but speak it with confidence and assurance.
- Pray for our federal leaders: Pray for God's guidance as they guide us. Pray for them to be wise and discerning.
- TEAR reports that the world is currently facing one of the worst hunger and malnutrition crises in human history, with growing conflicts and an increase in extreme weather events due to climate change driving a massive food emergency. About 50 million people in 45 countries are threatened by severe hunger. Please pray for God's mercy on those affected.



What's Happening?

Focus for February – Vision

As we start our year we want to explore together what God is calling us to do in 2023 any why. That is why we have set apart *today* as vision Sunday. We will preach on this vision and we will be running workshops throughout the day applying that vision to key aspects of our ministry. Please join us when you can. 9:45-11 Vision for the AM Church, 12-12:45 Vision for Kids' Work, 2-2:45 Vision for Mission, 3-3:45pm Vision for Pastoral Care, 4-4:45pm

Vision for Evangelism, 5-5:45pm Vision for Youth Work, and 6-7pm Vision for Sunday @ 6.

Regular Church Activities Resume

It would be great for us all to look at what is being offered (Kids Church', Senior Youth Bible Study (SYBS), IMPACT Youth, SPARKLERS Playgroup, Home Groups, Just Older Youth (JOY), Special Religious Education (SRE), Young Adults Fellowship (YAF)), and see what best fits you and your family to come along to and also where you might be able to serve.

Small Groups

It would be great if everyone could consider joining a small group this year for teaching, fellowship and Christian encouragement. We have groups for men, women and mixed, meeting weekly and fortnightly, at the Church and in homes, live or in ZOOM, weekly or fortnightly. Hopefully there is one that will work for you and your family situation. See Stephen or Jon for more details (or find last week's email from Stephen!)

Studies in Discipleship

In 2023 we are starting a weekly home group focussed on discipleship for Christians of any age. If you would like to know more please chat with Stephen Taylor or John and Miranda Harris.

Church Soccer

If you are interested in playing and would like to commit to our church's soccer team, we would love to have you. We love having inviting our friends into our teams so feel free to invite a friend. Soccer is played each Saturday from April until the end of August. For more information or to participate, contact Cheryl G on 0438 527 307.

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.

Breaking the Silence Training

Full course 12th Feb or top-up training 19th Feb. Please refer to email for those involved and RSVP to Liz Hyslop on gehyslop@optusnet.com.au

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.

Invited or Chosen?

Readings: Isaiah 61:1-11, Matthew 22:1-13

1. The invitation

2. The rejection

3. The declaration

4. The expulsion

5. The question

Songs: The Glories of Calvary
This is Amazing Grace
Jesus is His Name
Facing A Task Unfinished



Charlestown

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Sunday 5th February 2023



**Vision Sunday
Services**

Charlestown: 9:45am & 6pm

Swansea: 8am

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Welcome & Prayer Sunday 5th February

Song Immortal, Invisible

Bible reading Isaiah 61:1-11

Vision Sunday

Announcements

Song Rock of Ages

Pastoral Prayer

Bible reading Matthew 22:1-13

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Song How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Closing Prayer



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