

Greystanes Grapevine The weekly newsletter of Greystanes Uniting Church



18 FEBRUARY, 2024



Welcome

Welcome to worship, we hope you enjoy being with us.

Lectionary Readings

This week 18 February, 2024

Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-10 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15

Next week 25 February, 2024

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38 or Mark 9:2-9

Family Breakfast Service: Next Sunday 25th February.

A casual relaxed service with lots of activities with time to chat and reflect with your table group. Please come hungry as a delicious breakfast/brunch will be served.

Lenten Study Group:

Beginning tomorrow night, 19th February (first week of Lent) at 7.30pm till around 9pm. This study will be held via Zoom. Please see Rev. Gail or Lyn R for more information, tips on how to use Zoom and to have the Zoom link sent to your email inbox.

Ladies Bible Study

Ladies Bible Study will be meeting on Tuesday afternoon at 3pm in the chapel.

Annual SRE Service

The annual ecumenical service to celebrate the Christian Special Religious Education (SRE) ministry in schools in Holroyd will be held at Guildford Catholic Church on Sunday 25 February at 6pm and all are invited to attend.

Offering Envelopes

The new Offering Envelopes for the year commencing 3 March, 2024 are now available on the back table, please take a box if you would like one.



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Gail's Message

The Elders and I have been thinking about the importance of pastoral care within the congregation and beyond the four church walls, and next week at our Family Breakfast Service, Elder Ayesha will present a short teaching on how to be pastoral, so that all of us are equipped to offer a listening ear to someone in need.

Questions the Elders and I are pondering include: How do we best care for our regular worshippers and all the people whom we welcome into the church site on a weekly basis? The 'beyond' includes the members of the Craft Groups, our Hands and Feet clients, the Childcare staff and families and the groups who hire our hall. How can we build connection and meaningful relationships between people to foster the hospitality of God's kingdoms here in this place?

As we begin inviting people from the community into the church I thought it would be useful for us all to remember the importance of being a good listener. I found this great little guide during the week, I hope you find it helpful. Rev. Gail

