

Election of Elders

Eight of our current Elders finish their nominated terms at the end of 2017. They are: Elynne Graham, Collister Reynolds, Bob Tebbet, Sue Thomas, David Collett, Megan de Witte, Kerry Chisholm and, John Williamson. All of these Elders are eligible for re-election.

Nominations are now open and nomination forms are available on the table in the foyer. They must be signed by the person making the nomination and the seconder.

The person being nominated must also sign the form to indicate their willingness to accept nomination, as well as indicate how many years they are prepared to serve as an Elder.

Nominations are now closed.

Sundays, November 5 and 12: The nomination will be announced

Sunday, November 19: AGM and Election of Elders

In the words of someone's favourite hymn:

*Have faith in God, my heart,
Trust and be unafraid;
God will fulfil in every part
Each promise He has made.*

*Have faith in God, my mind,
Though oft your light burns low;
God's mercy holds a wiser plan
Than you can fully know.*

*Have faith in God, my soul,
his cross forever stands;
And neither life nor death can pluck
His children from his hands*

Many thanks for your financial commitment to God through the offerings to your church. For those who may be interested in electronic giving the bank details of our church are below. You may organise your payment for weekly, fortnightly or monthly giving:

Name: Gloucester Uniting Church, BSB: 634-634, Account: 100039924, Reference: Your name or "offerings."



The Messenger

Then I heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I send? Who will be my messenger?" I answered, "I will go, send me!"

5th November, 2017



A warm welcome is extended to everyone worshipping at Gloucester Uniting Church today.

If this is your first experience of worship at the Uniting Church in Gloucester we ask that you allow us time to greet you over a cup of tea or coffee after worship.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Gloucester Uniting Church Congregation will be held Sunday 19th November 2017 in the church hall immediately after conclusion of the service.

The election of the following officers will take place: Chairman, Secretary, Presbytery Rep and Alternative Rep, Inter Church Council Rep and alternative rep and Privacy Officer.

Treasurer Jenny Shaw will give her Financial Report as at 30th June 2017.

Those members of the congregation responsible for doing the Annual Reports for the various groups within the church are asked to please have their Annual Report into Shirley preferably the week before, November 12th these will be presented for perusal at the AGM, these groups are:

Church Elders Council Chairperson's Report, Adult Fellowship, Court Morning Tea, Days for Girls, Fortnightly Coffee Morning, Friday Night Bible Study, Inter-church Council, Pastoral Care, Wards River Coffee Morning and Bible Study, Worship Committee, Cafe on Cowper and YOY.

GENERAL MEETING

The General Congregational meeting and election of eight elders will commence at the conclusion of the AGM.

Shirley Hazell, Secretary

GLoucester UNITING CHURCH

Ministers: Every member of the congregation

Phone Secretary Kerry Chisholm 6558 4206

Gloucester Uniting Church Mission Statement

Bringing the gospel and love of Jesus to our community through word and action

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS



Joshua 3:7-17 — Penny Charles
 Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37
 1 Thessalonians 2:19-13 — Colin Charles
 Matthew 23:1-12 — Bruce Chisholm
Duty Elder, David

TODAY: Sunday, November 5: 9.30am service led by Laurie Selby.

Wednesday, 8th November: Café on Cowper 12 noon

Friday, 10th November: Bible Study at Jenny Shaw's home 7.30pm

Sunday, 12th November: 9.30am service led by Rev Lindsay Sheppard.

Monday, 13th November: Church Council 7pm

Wednesday, 15th November: Sewing/Craft for Mission 10.00am

Christmas is coming!
IF you are a person who likes to give a gift to charity at Christmas, the church has catalogues from UnitingWorld and Gospel for Asia containing many worthwhile projects. They are available on the table in the church foyer. Please take one if you are interested.

ROSTERS

TODAY: Ray Creek and David Collett to count the offering.

Next week 12th November:

Stewards: Tom de Witte

Bible Readings: David Collett, Ray Creek and Jenny Shaw.

Power Point: Peter and Shirley. **Duty Elder:** Sue Thomas.

Intercessory Prayer: Sue Thomas.

Lunch at the Caldwells

Sunday, November 19 from 12.30pm

Meat will be provided, and could attendees please bring salads and/or bread and slices and own drinks

This luncheon is now combined with the YOY Group's November activity so please come along and join in at Judy and Keith's picturesque country garden

Please don't park in the lane!

To those who at times park in the southern lane-way behind the Uniting Church Hall: the Church authorities have been approached by neighbours who are frequently finding cars parked either side of this lane thus making it difficult in removing their vehicles from their rear yard. For some neighbours this is the only access to their property. Could you please find alternative parking arrangements. — Church Council.

The words of someone's favourite hymn:

*For I'm building a people of power
 And I'm making a people of praise
 That will move through this land by my spirit
 And will glorify my precious name
 Build your church, Lord
 Make us strong Lord, Join our hearts, Lord,
 Make us one Lord, In your body
 In the kingdom of your Son*

Adult Fellowship Officers:
 President: Heather Beesley
 Secretary: Sandy Tebbet
 Treasurer: Anne Williamson



Y.O.Y. Office Bearers:
 President: Elaine Murray
 Secretary: Christine Bolton
 Treasurer: Colleen McKay.

CHURCH ELDERS



- **Chairperson:** John Williamson
- **Secretary:** Kerry Chisholm
- **Treasurer:** Jenny Shaw
- **Elders:** Sue Thomas
Colin Charles
Collister Reynolds
Bob Tebbet
Jeff Kite
Jillian Carson
Megan de Witte
Elynne Graham
David Collett

CONGREGATION

- Congregational Chairperson: Sam de Witte
- Congregational Secretary: Shirley Hazell
- Hall Bookings: Helen Parsons