



Gideons request

The challenge of a new school year for our community of Gloucester, the Manning Valley and Great Lakes is here. Gideons view this as an opportunity to meet our goal of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In this particular case the high school students of Year 7.

So we as Gideons now humbly approach the Body of Christ with a request for prayer that God will: Guide the planning of our placement of God's Word (the resources). Prepare the hearts of the school administration

and teachers of all schools to welcome us.

Encourage the Chaplains and SRE teachers as they are partners in the Gospel message. Open the hearts of the children to receive the Gospel. Finally, help us to always act in love when we have an opportunity to speak about Jesus.

If you wish to join us you may contact either Gordon Chirgwin 0468774408, Philip Stevens 0479135847 or Newman Patmore 65584218



The *Messenger*

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

Sunday, 17th February, 2019



A warm welcome is extended to everyone worshipping at our 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.

Today

Commissioning of Elected Elders

By Rev Lindsay Sheppard

Elders to be commissioned are:

John Williamson, Kerry Chisholm, Jenny Shaw, Sue Thomas, Colin Charles, Collister Reynolds, Bob Tebbet, Jeff Kite, Megan de Witte, David Collett and Alan Cornish.

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



Jeremiah 17:5-10 — Sue Thomas

Psalms 1

1 Corinthians 15:12-22 — Hilary Kite

Luke 6:17-26 Rev Sheppard. Duty Elder: David Collett.

TODAY, Sunday, 17th February: Rev Lindsay Sheppard, the Commissioning of Elders and Communion.

Sunday, 17th February: YOY discussion after church.

Wednesday, 20th February: Mission Sewing.

Sunday, 24th February: 9.30am service led by Rev Cherie Strudwick.

Sunday, March 3: 9.30am service led by Rev John Hoskin, and Communion. Plus voting on Notice of Motion.

**The Church's bank account details:
GUC, BSB 634 634, Account 100039924**

Do you have any used stamps?

Elaine Maslen collects them with the proceeds going to the Synod Stamp Committee. Please place them in the box in the vestry

ROSTERS

Today: Counting the offering: Jenny Shaw and Ray Creek.

Next week Sunday 24th February:

Stewards: Elyne Graham and Colleen McKay.

Bible Readings: Elaine Maslen, Claire Reynolds and Shirley Hazell.

Power Point: Megan de Witte. **Duty Elder:** Sue Thomas.

Intercessory prayer: Sam de Witte.

NOTICE OF MOTION

for a

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

to be held on

SUNDAY, 3rd MARCH, 2019

following the regular morning service

A letter has been received by the Chairman and Secretary of this Congregation calling for a Special Congregational meeting to reconsider the congregation's vote (taken on November 18, 2018):

There are two Notices of Motion, being:

That the motion carried at the 18th November 2018 Congregational meeting being: "Do you support the decision by the 15th Assembly to allow two different definitions of marriage, that is to hold two equal and distinct statements of belief on Marriage being that marriage is between a man and a woman and that marriage is between two people" be rescinded.

And in the event that the rescission motion is successful:

"That Gloucester Uniting Church Congregation **does not support** the decision of the 15th Assembly to hold two separate and distinct definitions on marriage."

Signed: William Murray

Supported by seven other signatures as required by the church constitution

Your attendance is important, please give this your prayerful consideration. Remember, we should always respect the rights of all members to express their views in an open and thoughtful situation.

According to the Uniting Church constitution: Special Congregational meetings may be convened after due notice has been given and shall deal only with matters specified in the notice of meeting



CHURCH ELDERS

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

CONGREGATION

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

Adult Fellowship Officers:

President: Heather Beesley
Secretary: Claire Reynolds
Treasurer: Margaret Cornish



Y.O.Y. Office Bearers:

President: Elaine Murray
Secretary: Elaine Maslen.
Treasurer: Colleen McKay.