NEWSLETTER



We exist to be a relevant expression of the Family of God, who love one another and our communities with the Gospel love of Jesus Christ.



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10.30am Service

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ZOOM meeting details

10.30am Service on Sundays7am prayer on Wednesdays

You should log in at least 5 min early.

Meeting ID: 474 053 157

You can phone in on 7018 2005

Can you remember the big verse on the back wall of the Church? It's from Psalm 46:10 and says 'Be still and know that I am God'. I miss seeing that sign, because I usually see it when I'm up the front sharing the word of God with you. I miss the interaction of speaking to a room filled with smiling faces, and hearing people moan when I share a joke and seeing nods when people agree with what is being said, and I miss the chats afterwards about anything and everything.

I guess we are all missing Church for a number of different reasons, and we're all looking forward to getting back together as soon as possible. The start of Psalm 40 says...

¹ God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,³ though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

I love these verses because they help me remember how Amazing our God really is!

It has been a long time since we met out at 'The Church in the Paddock' together. Our circumstances have changed. Our situation is different. Yet God never changes. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. He is our refuge and our strength. No matter what this life throws at us; He is an ever-present help! So I encourage you at this time and as often as you can to stop; pause, take a minute or an hour or whatever you can and... Be still and know that God is God.

Blessings, Ash

August Sundays on ZOOM

2nd August Graeme Semple

9th August Ash – Matthew 19:16-30 (Communion)

16th August Ash – Matthew 20

23rd August Ash – Matthew 21:1-17 (Communion)

30th August Ash – Matthew 21:18-27

Here are the details for ZOOM...

https://zoom.us/j/474053157

Meeting ID: 474 053 157

If you do not have internet access you can also phone in using the following phone number:

PH: 7018 2005 You will then be prompted to enter

the Meeting ID: 474 053 157

Similarly, the same details can be used to join in the **Wednesday 7am morning prayer** time on ZOOM.

We meet to pray for our Church Family, each other, our Communities and the World. This is a great opportunity to pray together with others in our congregation. You are welcome to join when you can and leave when you must. (the meeting goes for approx. 30mins)

Offering

Granite Community Church

BSB: 633 000 Acc: 16 086 8402

Offerings for the building fund can be deposited into the same account with the reference 'building fund'.

CAP money course

Do you find it hard to keep on top of your financial situation? The CAP money course could help you! Over three sessions we will cover budgeting, saving, and spending; to give you the tools and confidence you need to get back on track and move forward so that you can really be in control your finances.

If you or someone you know would benefit from this program please contact Ash, we'll be starting a course later this month.

If you are interested in finding out more so that you can be a helper/lead a group in the future, Ash would also love to hear from you.

More details about the course are on the Granite Church website.

Small Groups

During this time of limited social contact and interaction, some people have found it great to get together with a small group of people on ZOOM once a fortnight. They catch up, go through a bible study together and pray for each other.

Getting together in small groups is encouraging and energizing.

You can even telephone into the group if you don't have internet access.

If you would like to be part of a small group please contact Ash.

MONTHY PRAYER LIST

Sunday August 2nd

Missionaries:

Peter & Wendy Geldart, James & Benjamin (ESA Country Ministries)

Peter & Raewyn Brook, Ryan, Samuel & Eric (Wycliffe Aust.)

Locals:

Geoff & Carrie Pearse

Paul & Kelly McCrohan, Sam, Kate & Jessica

Sunday August 9th

Missionaries:

Tim & Kristen Stewart, Mikayla, Joshua & Chloe (YWAM) David & Debbie Maxwell (ESA)

Locals:

Jill & Neil McEwen Lila Groves

Sunday August 16th

Missionaries:

Kate Pocklington (Pioneers) Wendy Watts (SRI teaching)

Locals:

Alex McLachlan & Susie Shane & Bec Sullivan, Montana, Jake & Amelia

Sunday August 23rd

Missionaries:

John & Shirley Jones (Assist Ministries)
David & Eliza Adamsthwaite & Jude, Dustin & Caitlyn
(Global Interaction)

Locals:

Paul Groves

Ash & Jo Buchanan, Lachlan, Hamish, Calissa, Tyler, Emily & Daisy

Sunday August 30th

Missionaries:

Vision Radio Australia

Andy & Cathy Stanton, Charlie, Ruby & Hugo (Global Interaction)

Locals:

Keith & Jan Adcock

Tim & Rachael Smythe, Archer, Sophie & Harry