Being a husband and a father will always be my greatest achievement. Holding down the responsibilities and being eternally aware of how I might influence those who are dearest to me is a joy and a privilege. An unsung honour at times when you know you have given everything you have but still find the energy to go that one step further. Sometimes without recognition, sometimes in the face of hostility, sometimes just because you know how much you are needed. But always because you daily find ways to love those closest to you and nothing can ever take away the hope that perhaps you might make a difference in their lives. What a joy, what an honour.

Jas

God our Father,
we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation;
may they find courage and perseverance
to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.
We pray for our own fathers around the world
whose children are lost or suffering;
may they know that the God of compassion
walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers,
but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.
We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers
who are no longer with us,
but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.
Amen.

**6th September, 2026**
**CHURCH SERVICE TODAY:**

**Service Leader:** Jas
**Preacher:** Jas

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER**: 9.45am in Barrett Room

**READINGS:**
1 Corinthians 15:50
1 Corinthians 15:51-55
1 Corinthians 15:56-58

**The Worship Hymns and Songs:**
Goodness of God
Glorified
Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone
To God Be the Glory

**UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS:**
**Birthdays:** *none this week*
**Wedding Anniversaries:** *none this week*
*May The Lord bless you and keep you well* 😊

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

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| **Mon 07 September:** | **1 Peter 2:11-17** |
| **Tue 08 September:** | **Romans 13:1-7** |
| **Wed 09 September:** | **Matthew 21:18-22** |
| **Thu 10 September:** | **1 John 3:11-16** |
| **Fri 11 September:** | **Acts 7:9-16** |
| **Sat 12 September:** | **Matthew 6:7-15** |
| **Sun 13 September:** | **Matthew 18:21-35** |

**NOTICES:**

**Every Wednesday:** Connect, 10am, JKR

**Christmas Trees:** Christmas Tree Seedlings are available still, please contact Jason for as many as you wish to plant. We have plenty available and would like to get as many planted as we can.

**Prayer for our Family and Friends**: If you no longer need YOUR name in the Prayer list, can you please contact Megan and let her know it can be removed. If you are speaking on behalf of someone else, check with them first. Jas

**Church Fair:** we are scheduling the Church Fair and Kid's Market for the 21st of November this year in order to give us enough time to manage all the details. Opportunities to help and get involved will be discussed over the next few weeks. There are some minutes from the Meeting last Sunday on the Notice Board.

**Prayer for our family and friends:**
*Family of Margaret Vallance, Neil & Sue Burt, Family of Nell Ellis, Ken Hawke and family, Max Atkins & Averill Gibson, Janice and Ross Wilson, Donna Abernethy, Clare Calder*, *Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.*

**Giving Chart:**

| July 2026 | Current Month | | Year to Date | | Annual | |
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| | Actual | Budget | Actual | Budget | Budget | Forecast |
| | 7,699 | 8,798 | 7,699 | 8,798 | 99,840 | 98,741 |

**CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2026**

**06 September**

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| **Elder Duty:**<br>Bill White | **Door Duty**:<br>Kim Fletcher, Lyn O'Malley |
| **Power Point:**<br>Tracy | **Mini Bus:**<br>Lana, Vincent |
| **Morning Tea:**<br>Moira Courtney and Gaye Edwards | **Offering Count:**<br>Tracy/Annette |

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| **Readings:**<br>Joan Shearer | **Heroes Leader:**<br>Megan |
| **Prayers:**<br>Jas | **Fun with Music:**<br>Marlene Hopkinson, Tracey Mayhew |

## 13 September

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| **Elder Duty:**<br>Annette Paterson | **Door Duty**:<br>Joan Shearer, Anne Moffat |
| **Power Point:**<br>Tracy | **Mini Bus:**<br>Lana, Vincent |
| **Morning Tea:**<br>Lana Stevens and Maureen Landreth | **Offering Count:**<br>Gaye/Christine |
| **Readings:**<br>Howard | **Heroes Leader:**<br>No Heroes this week |
| **Prayers:**<br>Gaye | **Fun with Music:**<br>Margaret Hamilton, Adele Warburton |

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