



# A COMMUNITY CHURCH

## OUR HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS THAN JESUS BLOOD AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

Are you going through one of those seasons where you feel like you are struggling and getting nowhere?

We can't always control what happens to us, but we can always control how we choose to respond. When we stop focusing on our pain, even for a minute and instead give thanks to God for the good in our life, the bad seems less significant.

***1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 says: "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."***

You may not feel it at the moment, but every difficulty in life, whether big or small, is something God will use to produce more strength, faith and perseverance in you if you let Him. All your pain has a purpose.

We need to remember that God's plans are always perfect, even if they are different to ours.

Through your journey, remember that God will never leave your side. You may feel like you are going through this struggle all alone, but from the moment you ask Jesus to bring you into His family, He will be by your side to the end.

**So never lose hope.**

***Deuteronomy 31:6 says: Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them for the Lord your God goes with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you.***

***Hallelujah.***

JOIN US FOR  
**WORSHIP**  
SUNDAYS

### Sunday Services

July 14th Preacher Steve Rose  
Readings: Amos 7:7-17 Bob Colossians 1:1-14 Marg  
Helpers—Bob and Marg Communion: Judi

July 21st Preacher Judi.  
Readings: Amos 8:1-12 Leah Colossians 1:15-28 Di  
Helpers—Leah and Di Communion Judi



**ALPHA** Due to the passing of Ethel on Monday, Judi had to cancel Monday night's Alpha. However, this is back on for the 15th where we will be exploring the question: **"Who is Jesus?"** Anyone is welcome to join us. You are welcome to BYO meal or plate to share for dinner at 5.30pm for informal chat, followed by our 2nd session.

**The Passing of Ethel Mirams.** Ethel passed peacefully into God's loving arms at 3pm Monday 8th July. Her celebration service was conducted on Friday 12th July with around 130 people attending. This reflects the love that people had for Ethel. The family have made a significant donation to the church as part of Ethel's instructions and they wish to thank all who assisted to make the celebration run smoothly.

Pastor Judi would also like to add her thanks to: Kevin—our IT guru; Noel and Len for setting up the chairs; Bob, Jeanne and Di for helping to sweep the floor and tidy up and Val for supplying fresh flowers in the chapel. Following a private cremation some of Ethel's ashes will be placed in our Memorial Garden outside, guarded by one of her cherished Gnomes.

**Carol Fudge** is still in Casey Hospital awaiting determination of her next step. Judi and Nigel have been liaising with staff there to ensure that Carol is placed where she will be comfortable. She is very distressed at present and would welcome any visitors.

**Donations for Pantry:** Please keep those donations rolling in.

**Prison Network** are our mission focus for the month of July. If you are able to place some funds in the special envelope Leah will collect at the end of July to give to this wonderful cause.

**Update on Fiona.** A number of people have asked me about Fiona. Fiona has completed her Student Ministry placement with us, however she is continuing her ministry studies. Fiona is exploring where her ministry will be to add to her experience and growth. We wish Fiona God's blessings in her journey. We will plan a farewell soon.

**Prayer Room.** This was one of Fiona's great projects and Judi will complete the room soon with a wonderful Scriptural decal to be stuck to the wall and a small prayer tree. Judi wishes to thank Fiona for her idea and passion for this room.

## PRAYER ROOM/LOUNGE

### PRAYER MEETING

Friday's at 10am for 1/2 hour. All are welcome.

### LADIES BIBLE STUDY -

Friday's 10:30 - 1130am followed by a cuppa in one of the local cafes when time permits. Don't forget ladies you can join bible study at any time and all is confidential.



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### The Pastor Is In:

Pastor Judi provides pastoral care to all who attend the church and overall site throughout the week. She is able to meet on or off site, depending on your preferences. Best contact 0423 375 714. Please note Judi does not work Tuesdays/Thursdays or Saturdays. However will return your call if it is an emergency.