

The VINES Uniting Church

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THE GRAPEVINE – 16th February 2025

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Becoming the Body of Christ! Ephesians 4:11-16

Hang on! Aren't we already the Body of Christ, the People of God, the Church?

Yes. Of course we are.

Paul urges the Christians of Ephesus 'to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ'. He isn't suggesting a one-off exercise, but an all-of-life activity.

If we stop learning, stop developing, stop growing, stop **becoming**, we simply stop, ultimately ceasing to do or be anything of value or integrity.

Here's an exercise.

Make a list of the times when we were most conscious of becoming/growing/developing personally and in the Church.

Which of these experiences do we value most, and why?

List some obstacles you have overcome as you have been 'becoming'.

Think of someone with whom you would like to talk this through.

Happy Becoming! Peace and Love, Malcolm

OUR VISION:

To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.

❖ OUR MISSION:

To reach out and reflect God's Love -connecting others to Christ.

Today we celebrate the 30th birthday of the Vines Uniting Church. A warm welcome to you if you are visiting, we're glad you could join us on this special day! You are welcome to stay for morning tea after the service.



COMMUNION

We are still looking for 3 or 4 people who would be willing to go on a roster for serving communion.

It is an easy task and it is just once a month. If we have enough people, you will not have to do it often.

Please speak to Marj Dredge or Chris McAvenna if you would like to help in this way.

A new study group

commences at the church on Wednesday 19th February from 2.30pm-3.30pm. Richard and Sue Bissmire will be leading this group.

Please speak to an elder if you need more information.

Elders at the Vines are: Marj Dredge, Wendy Fittock, Jacqui Vanstone, Rob Fudge, David McAvenna and Leon Magrin. They wear green name tags.

Men's Dinner Group

Our next dinner will be at Paya Thai which has been popular amongst our group, hope

you can come 😜

When: Wednesday February 19th

Where:

Paya Thai - Thai

Shop 1/2 1520 Main South Rd, Sturt, 5047

Time: 6.3opm

RSVP: by 10th February

Hope to see you there $\stackrel{\text{\tiny \mbox{ω}}}{}$



Regards Nev

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BANK ACCOUNT - OFFERING

For members of our congregation who wish to give with flexibility on time and amount, The Vines church has set up a bank account with Westpac to receive such offerings. The details are:

Name of Account - Vines Uniting Church BSB 035 053

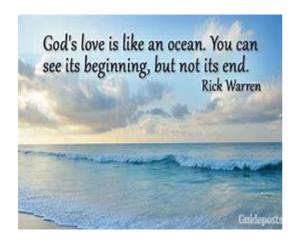
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No further details will be required so the information will remain private.

Colin Dredge, Acting Treasurer.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 24th February

Reverend Malcolm Bottrill



Our Goal
To reconnect with
the community and
share God's Love

LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES

Each Sunday our worship services at the Vines can be accessed live at 9:30am via our YouTube channel. Please use the following link to access our services,

https://www.youtube.com/@thevinesunitingchurch6373/streams

After the livestream, each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later. They can be accessed using the same link.

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