

The VINES Uniting Church

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THE GRAPEVINE - 16th November 2025

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There is a great verse in Isaiah that most people know and it reads like this...

"Those who hope in the lord will renew their strength, they will soar on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint".

Isaiah 40:31

You have probably quoted that verse when speaking to someone that is going through a hard time.

Put your hope in God and you'll get through it. A magnificent promise and so true, especially to the tribe of Israel, the people it was written for.

Today, I want to explore, the reality of it in our lives. How it affects us today.

I've often wondered though, it would have to be a pretty big eagle to get me off the ground \odot . Bill



I realize from the last service I led that 3 guitars may be a bit loud for the Vines so it will be a bit quieter this Sunday.





❖ OUR VISION:

To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.

❖ OUR MISSION:

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

In Loving Memory



It is with heartfelt sadness that I inform you that Pam Norton, a much loved member of the Vines, passed away at Flinders Medical Centre in the presence of her family yesterday, Tuesday 11th November, as a result of pneumonia.

Pam will be lovingly remembered and sadly missed by her precious family: daughter Naomi, son Matthew, sister Colleen and of course her husband of 52 years, John. She is now safe in the Arms of Jesus.

Pam served faithfully at the Vines in many different roles, with her ministries as a communion steward, as a leader of Adult Fellowship for a number of years and providing catering, together with her team of ladies, after funeral services. She was indeed a good and faithful servant and is missed.

Our deepest condolences to the family at this difficult time.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – 30TH NOVEMBER

At the Congregational Meeting after the service on Sunday 30th November, members will have the opportunity to vote for the election of Elders and Church Council members for 2026.

There are 3 people who have been re-nominated for 2026:

Jacqui VanstoneElderfor a 2 year termRob FudgeElderfor a 1 year termDavid McAvennaElderfor a 1 year term

Pantry 152

If you would like to donate grocery items, there is a list of suggestions available in the foyer.

Particular needs at this time are:

- Jam (Apricot, Strawberry, Raspberry)
- Sweet biscuits
- 425g tins Tuna
- Spaghetti

Christmas Hampers:

We would like to give out Christmas Hampers to people when they come into the Pantry during December. It would be nice to bless them with some Christmas treats from our church family, where perhaps their budget does not stretch that far.

From now on we would be grateful for donations of things like, Christmas cakes, Christmas pudding, mince pies, Shortbread biscuits, chocolate, sweets, treats and the like. These can be put in the baskets in the foyer with the normal grocery donations.

Thank you.

As the Annual Meeting is drawing near, a reminder that there is a box in the foyer for your suggestions and comments. If you have any ideas, concerns, or considerations as to what you would like to see happen at the Vines in the coming year, please drop them into the box. We value your input.

***Are you able to help?

The kitchen roster has many blank spaces. Can you help with this ministry, offering people an opportunity to enjoy each other's company and chat over a coffee/tea after services. Please put your name on the roster if you are able/willing to help, even if only once in a while. There is a description of what is involved in the kitchen.

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
Account Number 479588
No further details will be required so the information will remain private.
Colin Dredge, Acting Treasurer.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 23rd November Reverend Malcolm Bottrill

Our Goal

To reach out to 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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