



The VINES Uniting Church

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THE GRAPEVINE – 21st June 2026

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My dear friends,

This Sunday we will be thinking about how God helps us in our weakness. Our readings (if you want to read them in advance!) are:

Romans 8:12-17 (particularly the last part of the last verse – we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

and

2 Corinthians 12:1-10 (particularly the last part - for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

This might not sound particularly positive! But, in fact, Paul is being very realistic, isn't he? In this life, we do suffer. But so did Jesus. How could we expect any less? In this life, we are weak. But Paul has learned that God's power can sustain him and work through him, when he is at his weakest. So, really, this is very positive indeed. We are not alone, and we have the best Companion in the world walking life's journey with us.

On Sunday I will be sharing something of my life with you. I have been here for two months now, so it's time for you to get to know me a little! Like all of you, I have had my ups and downs. And God has been faithful all the way. We don't always see it at the time, do we?! But we see, in retrospect, that we have been accompanied, sustained and upheld by his powerful hand. We can go forward with confidence that God continues to do the same.

Go Well,

Shelley

- ❖ OUR VISION:
To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.
- ❖ OUR MISSION:
To reach out and reflect God's Love –connecting others to Christ.

PLANNED GIVING 2026

By now you will have received your Planned Giving Letters. The response forms that were enclosed with the letters can be returned to the Church this Sunday, 21st June, Stewardship Sunday, or they can be posted back to the Church.

The current Planned Giving Program will end on Sunday 28th June. Those members who use Offering envelopes are advised that new boxes of envelopes will commence on Sunday 5th July.

Members are encouraged to prayerfully consider their financial commitment to the Vines Church. We are thankful for your generous giving in the past. For those who are new and current members, we advise that your offerings can be made in the following ways:

- ❖ By Direct Debit
- ❖ With the use of Offering Envelopes
- ❖ Via the Open Plate Please note that the offering Envelopes are not numbered and therefore no amounts are recorded.

Please contact me either by phone 0403 003 535 or via email: marjncolin7@gmail.com if you would like more details regarding the use of Direct Debits or Offering Envelopes.

Colin Dredge, Acting Treasurer.



***A warm welcome if you are a visitor at The Vines today.
You are very welcome to join us for a cuppa after worship.***

Please check the data screen before and after worship for updates.

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
- Jelly
- Tinned Pears
- Tinned Pineapple

Thank You



He is your Shepherd—He is leading you.

He is your Provider—He is taking care of you.

He is your Strength—He is enabling you.

He is your Counselor—He is speaking to you.

He is your Shield—He is protecting you.

He is your Comfort—He is encouraging you.

He is your Father—He is blessing you.

HOME ALONERS

Our next visit will be to the Fisheries Research Centre at West Beach on Tuesday 7th July, with a 10am start. We will need to be there by 9.45 am. If you are coming, please let me know. Lunch will be at the Glenelg Surf Club afterwards.

Brian Fittock 0458 680 619

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, Treasurer.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 28th June 2026
Reverend Ian Kitto



Our Goal

*To reach out to the
community and
share God's Love.*

LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES Currently our 9.30am worship services at the Vines can not be accessed live. However, the services are being recorded and then uploaded by Sunday afternoon.

At the moment, please use the following link to access our services,
<https://www.youtube.com/@thevinesunitingchurch6373/videos>

Each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later, accessed using the same link.

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