# The VINES Uniting Church

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## THE GRAPEVINE – 25th October 2026

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My dear friends,

Last week we started our series on 1 Thessalonians, and we noted how Paul had mentioned God 16 times in the first ten verses! Here they are:

God the Father, the Lord Jesus Christ, God, our God and Father, our Lord Jesus Christ, brothers and sisters beloved by God, in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Holy Spirit, the word of the Lord, your faith in God, you turned to God, serve a living and true God, his Son, Jesus.

For Paul, God came into conversation not only naturally but obviously often! I encouraged you all to talk to others about your walk with God, what God has been showing you, how you have been growing in your faith. We learn and grow by hearing from each other – not just from the minister 😊

This Sunday we will look at 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (and also Matthew 22:34-40).

I hope you will have all read 1 Thessalonians 2 in advance – in fact I hope that you will have all read the *whole* book, to get the overall picture, as I requested last week… but, if not, I will start with a brief re-introduction to the letter and will recap on what we discovered last Sunday.

Let's enjoy digging into this, possibly the earliest letter to a church, written less than 20 years after the death and resurrection of Jesus – how lucky we are, to have this record of the early church!

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.*



# Market

## Saturday 21st November

Devonshire Tea

Sweets

Jigsaws and Games

Plants

Craft

Children's Toys and Books

Cakes @ Produce

Books

White Elephant Stall

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

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

# WHAT'S COMING UP AT THE VINES - 2026

**THURSDAYS** (during school terms) **VINES CREATIVE CONNECTION**
9.30-11.30 am
$4.00 each week – includes morning tea – ALL WELCOME
Contact: Verelle 0439 833 837

**FRIDAY FRIENDS** – October 30th - the last Friday of the month.
10.00 to 11.30 am. All are welcome to come along
for a cuppa, home-made food and a friendly chat –
for a gold coin donation.
All proceeds are in aid of Pantry 152.

**HOME ALONERS** – November 3rd - 1st Tuesday of the month.

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS** – 10th November - 2nd Tuesday of the month
From 1.30 to 3.00 pm at the Church.
Circle of Friends is for ANY women to come and
have a cuppa and chat.

**MEN'S DINNER GROUP** – 18th November
3rd Wednesday of the month.

**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 1st November
## Reverend Shelley Alexander

## 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.

## Contacts at the VINES Uniting Church

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