

Announcements

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March editions of ConneXions and Challenge are now available.

Today:

- 9.00-9.40am – Church prayer meeting
- 10.00am – Ian Touzel
- *Understanding the Faith* class meets after morning worship.
- 5.30pm – Gary Ware
- 9.30am (Victorian time) Nelson, 11:00am Allendale – Roger Bannister
- Gary Ware is preaching at Naracoorte PC this morning.

Tuesday: 9.00am - Women's Bible Study at Allison St.. 1.30pm - Care & Concern meets at Allison St..

Wednesday: 10.00am - Coffee & Craft at Allison St..

Friday: 10.30am - Bible study at Allison St..

Saturday: 7.00pm - Youth Group at Allison St.

Next Lord's Day:

- 9.00-9.40am – Prayer meeting.
- 10.00am – Gary Ware (Lord's Supper)
- *Understanding the Faith* class meets after morning worship.
- 5.30pm – Gary Ware.

2010 Board of Management elections for four positions:

Nominations close today. Elections will take place on the next two Lord's Days. Retiring members are: Debbie Thompson, Ruben Zandman, Jeroen Zwijnenburg who may be re-nominated. Communicant members and adherents are eligible for nomination.

Harvest Thanksgiving: 10.00am worship Sunday 21st March.

Annual General Meeting: 7.30pm Monday 22nd March followed by the Salle of Gifts. Please bring a plate of food for supper.

Ladies Weekender: 26-28th March at Karnkendi, Nelson. Registration forms available from the welcome desk. **Registrations due by this**

Thursday to Viv Peate (T: 8724 8060).

Sale of pews: Approx. 10 long pews are available for sale at \$80 each. See Sandra Megaw (T: 8724 9586)

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...growing God's family...

Lord's Day, March 7, 2010 AD

A Family Tree

Matthew 1:1-17

"Welcome", as you worship with us today

Order of Service

Please speak to God before the Service and to everyone else afterward.

*Those who are able are invited to stand for the items marked **

9.50am Prelude to Worship

Gathering God's People

The Lord is King

*He is Lord

Announcements: Graeme Hamilton

10.00am Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 98:1-3

Reading of God's Law and Prayer of confession: (see insert)

**Song of Assurance:* There is a Redeemer

**Confessing our Faith:* Apostles' Creed

**Praise:* Unto to God be praise and honour

over/...

Caring For God's Family

Children's Address

***Praise:** Love the Lord Your God

Pastoral Prayer Graeme Hamilton

Experiencing God's Word

Bible Reading: Hebrews 10:1-18

The yearly sacrifices of the old covenant are compared with the "once for all" sacrifice of Christ (verses 12,14; compare 9:26,28).

***Praise:** I cannot tell why him whom angels worship

Bible Reading: Matthew 1:1-17

Sermon: *A Family Tree* – Ian Touzel

1) Jesus: the Savior.

2) Christ: the Anointed One.

3) The Son of David: the hope of Israel.

4) The Son of Abraham: the Saviour of the nations.

The takeaway...

Responding To God's Grace

How does God want me to respond to His word?

Tithes & Free Will Offerings

Please fill out a response card and place it in the offering plate. Visitors are not obligated to give an offering. Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Blessing

*** Praise:** Joy to the world

Next Lord's Day:

- Continuous reading plan: Hebrews 10:19-39
- Text for preaching: Matthew 2:1-23.

Words Worth Thinking About

He spares not His Son, but sends Him in quest of the exiles. He comes into the land of banishment, lies in an exile's cradle, becomes a banished man for them, lives a banished life, endures an exile's shame, dies an exile's death, is buried in an exile's tomb. He takes our place of banishment that we may take His place of honor and glory in the home of His Father and our Father. Such is the exchange between the exile and the exile's divine substitute. Though rich, for our sakes He becomes poor. Though at home, He comes into banishment, that we may not be expelled forever."

— Horatius Bonar, *The Retoration of the Banished*

<http://firstimportance.org/2010/03/04/the-restoration-of-the-banished/>