

Rosters

22 October, 2017

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Preacher:	Graham Smith	Rev Shin Goo Lee
Elder:	Niuselu Uesi	Niuselu Uesi
Reader:	Glynis Nash	Jennifer Reynolds
Stewards/ Welcomers:	Angela Miller Chris Miller	Dennis Kunder Trevor Smith
Morning Tea:	Victor & Maata	Glynis/Roria
Cleaning:	Murphy/Reynolds	Edwards/Doust
Musician:	Kevin Harkness	Tracey White
Audio/Video:	John Cameron	John Cameron
Kids' Church Leader:	Julie Hungerford	Julie Hungerford

Regular Activities

Silver Threads	Weekly Tuesday	9.30am
Craft Group	1 st Tuesday of each month	9.30am

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Newsletter contributions to Church Office by Wednesday morning

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MISSION STATEMENT

"We are called to be evidence of God's love, active in our community"

9.30am Service



Graham Smith



PRAYER CHAIN

If you are in need of prayer please ring Ian Bryon on 9624 6197. People on the prayer chain will pray for you.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR

29.10.17

Deuteronomy 34:1-12
 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17
 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
 Matthew 22:34-46

WELCOME

Welcome to our service this morning, please join us for morning tea in the hall after the service.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to Ken Doust for 28th October, we hope you have a great day with family and friends and may God bless you in the year ahead.

PICNIC DAY

Our congregation Picnic Day will be Sunday 19th November, more details to follow but put the date in your diary now.

OFFERINGS

22.10.17 \$648.40.

In addition, \$870.00 was deposited directly into our bank account.

FRONTIER SERVICES

We have received a receipt for \$855 and a letter of thanks from Frontier Services, a copy of the letter is on the noticeboard for you to read. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this fund-raiser.

ROSTERS FOR 2018

The new roster for January to June 2018 is now on the notice board. If you can help with any of the tasks listed please put your name in the appropriate space.



SILVER THREADS BUS TRIP

Our final bus trip for the year is this Thursday 26 October. Please be at the church car park for 8.45am, bus leaves at 9am. returns by 3.30pm. \$3.00 for the bus. Drive to Blaxland for Morning Tea at McDonalds, then onto Blackheath to visit the Rhododendron Gardens and enjoy the spring display. Lunch will be at The New Ivanhoe Inn. They offer a varied menu at reasonable prices, average \$12 to \$20 per person. Scenic drive back via Katoomba to view Three Sisters and Echo Point. Then to Leura and time permitting an optional visit to The Toy and Rail Museum, \$15.00 per person, or browse the Leura shops.



THOUGHTS ON MATTHEW 22:15-22

Jesus took this opportunity to convey some pretty profound theological truths. Rome at that time was all-powerful and its influence and almighty power was all-but unchallenged. But Jesus was able to see down to a deeper and more profound reality. When you know that the whole world belongs to God and the human heart is what belongs to the Creator God who fashioned us in his image, then even the big, bright, loud realities of this world become mere sideshows and distractions. But they do not ultimately touch God. They do not finally threaten God. When Jesus takes the Caesar's coin into his hand and holds it up in front of his bewildered questioners, you can almost see him shrug his shoulders, and generally convey the idea, "What are you talking about? THIS is all you have to ask me about? Who cares? This means nothing! And remember that God is still ever and only God and that no human power can dislodge him, displace him, or challenge his claims on our hearts and on this world that belongs to him."

In a political age when so many people are so divided along so many various cultural, social and economic lines, Jesus' confident and consistent focus on God both challenges us and calls us back to our better selves.

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