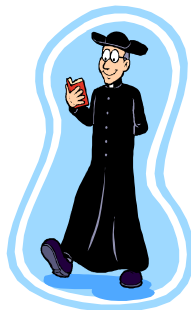


### Next Week 17th February

<u>10.00 am</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	D. Ferrett
Communion Leader	D. Homfray      Prayer Leader    W. Whitehead
Children's Church	J. Cooke
Singers	D. Ferrett, K. whitehead
Band	A. Davis, C. Beasy
Projector/ Sound	P. Bekker / C. Waters
Officer on Duty	A. Munro
Welcome/Reception	J. Kelly / M. Butler
Helpers	M. Cameron, W. Duke, C. Meade, K. Underwood, N. Underwood, N. Davis, F. Duke (reader), H. Atkins
Crèche	R. Bekker
Cuppa	J. Bradford, L. Homfray
Communion Prep.	R. Hawtin
Flowers / Cleaning	A. Munro / J. Cole, W. Duke
Grounds	L. O'Connor & G. Hughes
<u>6.00 pm</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	S. Armstrong
Communion Leader	J. Armstrong
Singers	M. Gardner, J. Gardner
Band	A. Alabaster, R. Jemmeson, i. Fabich, J. Tonkin
Projector / Sound	T. Eaton / P. Norris
Reception	G. Muller
Helpers	Volunteers
Crèche	R. Hawtin

A priest was invited to a house party.  
Naturally, he was properly dressed and wearing his priest's collar.  
A little boy kept staring at him the entire evening.  
Finally, the priest asked the little boy what he was staring at.  
The little boy pointed to the priest's neck.  
When the priest finally realized what the boy was pointing at, he asked him, "Do you know why I am wearing that?"  
The boy nodded his head, yes, and replied, "It's to kill fleas and ticks for up to three months.'



# Mainstream

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10th February, 2013

How many times have you heard a sermon where the take-home message was pretty well, "You're not doing enough to please God"? Sometimes 'commitment' seems to be measured in how busy a person is in religious duties. The picture given is that a truly committed person prays for an hour every day, reads their Bible every day without fail, never misses Sunday worship, sings in the choir, plays in the band, teaches Sunday School, visits the sick, runs a Bible study group and mows the church lawns on the weekend. Anything less than that is seen as a definite lack of commitment.

However, what is such 'commitment' really commitment to? It is not necessarily commitment to the Lord, but rather it is a commitment to religion or to an institution.

Commitment to the Lordship of Jesus Christ is about obedience, not busyness. If I am so busy with Church duties that I never have time to watch my children play basketball, how does that busyness truly honour God? Any commitment that causes me to neglect my family is certainly not a commitment to Jesus and the life he calls us to lead as his followers. True commitment to Jesus means that I will give my time, energy and resources to bless the Church, but it also means that I will honour my wife and my children by giving them quality and quantity of time.

Any so called 'church commitment' that causes us to neglect our family, our friends, our school study or our employment responsibilities is not a call to follow Jesus but rather a call to follow religion. There is a very big difference.

Be committed. But make sure your commitment comes from your obedience to Jesus Christ and His Word. That way your commitment never becomes a burden but rather a joyous pleasure that enhances all other areas of your life.

**2John :5-6**

**ANDREW**



Welcome to church today. If you are a visitor we offer you a special welcome. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee following the morning service.

**Today, Sunday 10th February**

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

**“EXTEND - A Spirit of Commitment”**

Worship Leader

Beth Giddings

Communion Leader

Matthew Cameron

Reading

1 Kings 8: 54-61

6.00 pm

Andrew Tonkin

**“EXTEND - A Spirit of Commitment”**

Worship Leader

Brendan Moritz

Communion Leader

Brendan Moritz

**Next Week, Sunday, 17th February**

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

&

**“A Spirit of Adventure”**

6.00 pm

**EXTEND**

**1 Kings 8: 56-61**

“Praise be to the Lord, who has given rest to his people Israel just as he promised. Not one word has failed of all the good promises he gave through his servant Moses. May the Lord our God be with us as he was with our father; may he never leave us nor forsake us. May he turn our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways and to keep the commands, decrees and regulations he gave our fathers. And may these words of mine, which I have prayed before the Lord, be near to the Lord our God day and night, that he may uphold the cause of his people Israel according to each day's need, so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God and that there is no other. But your hearts must be fully committed to the Lord our God, to live by his decrees and obey his commands, as at this time.”

**Loving God - Loving People**

**GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL**

***This Week***

Sunday	10th	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.30 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7 FM
Monday	11th	11.00 am	Craft Group
Tuesday	12th	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
Saturday	16th	2.00 pm	Share Group



**FEBRUARY**

**Craft Group**

Monday, 11th February, starting at 11.00 am in the Church Hall.  
Our first Craft Group meeting for the year. Bring along some of your own craft to do, your lunch to eat with us and some afternoon tea to share.  
All crafty people welcome.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2013**

February	24	Annual General Meeting
March	2	Celebration Dinner
	9	State Youth Games
	16	Prayer Retreat
	17	Commitment Sunday
	24	Extend Celebration
	29	Good Friday
	31	Easter Sunday

**SHARE GROUP**  
**Saturday, 16th February**  
**2.00 pm**  
At the Church

Andrew Davis is going to  
sing and play for us.

Please bring a plate of afternoon  
tea.

**FAFFS**  
**FAMILY AND FRIENDS -**  
**FORTIES - SIXTIES**

**Saturday, 23rd February**  
**6.30 pm**

Start the year off with a barbecue tea  
at the home of Auralie and Brian  
Munro  
**10 Grandview Way**

### PROFILES OF NOMINEES

#### **Jeanie Kelly**

I am a Primary School Teacher at Nichol's Point Primary School.

Peter and I have been married for 24 years.

Duncan is starting year 11 at Mildura senior College, Nigel is studying in Adelaide at University.

Jeanie has been Pastoral Care Deacon for the past 4 years.

#### **Dennis Homfray**

I am 52 years old, married to Lisa with 3 grown-up children.

Employed as an Ambulance Paramedic based on Irymple.

No real experience in buildings and maintenance, however have been Property Deacon for past few years working closely with Admin. Committee and others in the Church to achieve a positive outcome.

A member of Mildura Church of Christ for approx. 30 years and looking forward to the future with enthusiasm.

#### **Kaye Underwood**

I arrived in Mildura almost 8 years ago, just after Noel and I were married. I have always felt very welcomed by Noel's Church Family who quickly became my Church Family. Our cat is part of our family also. My employment in the past was within hospitality, however I now work as a casual at K-Mart. I help in the morning services and serve morning tea. I'm a cook for Adventure Club and help with church catering. I'm on the Mission Team, teach CRE at Ranfurly School and have been CWF Secretary for 4 years. I have been on the Women's Ministry Team for several years and have found it interesting, at times challenging, but mostly a joy filled experience. Nominated for Women's Ministry Deacon.

#### **Joshua Cole**

I'm 23 years old and have been attending the Church of Christ since my family moved to Mildura from Ballarat in 1997. I love church and have been a Christian all my life. I've been involved leading the youth groups and running Adventure Club for the last five years. I have just completed my Diploma of Ministry with ACOM and am about to commence my Bachelor of Theology. I work part-time at Mocca Mecca in Fifteenth Street. Deacon for Youth Ministry for the past 2 years.

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

#### **Motion 1**

*"The Elders recommend to the church members that Joshua Cole be appointed an Associate minister at the Mildura Church of Christ for a three year term.*

Josh has now successfully completed his Diploma of Ministry with the Australian College of Ministry (ACOM) which qualifies him to be an endorsed minister with Churches of Christ,

The Elders are seeking to appoint Josh for a minimum of 2½ days a week which includes 1 paid day, volunteer hours, and hours associated with his on-going course requirements as he completes his Bachelor of Theology.

#### **Motion 2**

*"The Elders recommend that the Church Management Guidelines be amended by changing the definition of the Mission Statement (Clause 2) to*

*LOVING GOD - LOVING PEOPLE"*

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Sunday, February 24th, 2013**

Our Annual General Meeting is only a couple of weeks away. The Reports are ready for you this morning so please collect one from the foyer.

**Nominations for 5 Deacons** were received.

Deacons - Pastoral Care - Kaye Underwood

Property - Dennis Homfray

Women - Kaye Underwood

Worship- Brendan Moritz

Youth - Joshua Cole

Two **Notices of Motion** were received from the Elders

**Voting** will be held today Sunday, 10th February and again next Sunday, 17th February. All regular attenders are eligible to vote.

After the morning service on February 24th, there will be a short break for morning tea, followed by the Business Session of the Annual General Meeting, before we all join together in the hall for a shared lunch. Please bring a savoury food plate and finger food dessert .



## Family News & Prayer



- \* Birthday Congratulations to Kaye Underwood for her 60th Birthday next Saturday, 16th February.
- \* Suzanne Adams is needing to rent a shed for furniture storage for approx. 3 months while she travels. If you can help, phone 0400 887220.

### SITUATIONS VACANT

Due to the on-going requirements of the Music Ministry at the Mildura Church of Christ, the following positions now require filling:

- **Pianist and Guitarist** for the morning services
- **Guitarist** for the evening services

To be considered for these positions you will need:

- To have a love for God, and a desire to serve Him through music as part of the music team
- To be devoted to the Church and her Family
- To be supportive of the church leadership team
- To be committed to personal growth in Christ
- Having the relevant instrument skills would be an advantage

NOTE: If you are keen to learn guitar, we can arrange "CHEAP" but excellent lessons.

If you believe that you have what it takes to be part of this awesome team, and you desire to serve our King through music, then don't delay! Contact Brendan or his AMAZING Worship Committee today!!

### **Brendan Moritz**

Married for nearly 16 years to Natalie, cake decorator extraordinaire, with two young girls, Brianna and Kaitlyn. Currently employed by GTS Freight Management as the Assistant Driver Manager.

Worship Deacon for the last two years, actively involved in Worship leading, music, tech and occasional preaching. Recently implemented a new vision and direction for the Worship at the Mildura C. of C. focussed on raising the bar with our attitude and heart to God, followed by our personal commitments and abilities. Until a recent restructure, was leading a young adult bible study on Friday nights with Jon and Sam Armstrong.

### FUEL Youth

Friday 15TH February 7.30 - 9.30 pm

**IGNITION & XLR8**

**Water Fight Night**

**Wear old clothes and bring a towel**

**At the Church \$3**

## Mission Update

### **Bushfire and Floods**

Please continue to uphold in prayer the people throughout Australia affected by floods and fire, including those who have lost property and security, for those who are exhausted but with more work to do, and for the emergency services who are continuing to respond.

Financial assistance has been provided from the existing Emergency Relief Fund. We have not launched an appeal specifically for the 2013 bushfires at this stage, however you can make donations for emergency situations by giving to Churches of Christ Community Care - 1st Floor, 582 Heidelberg Road, Fairfield, 3078. Anyone wishing to make donations to assist with immediate emergency relief are encouraged to do so directly through the Australian Red Cross or Salvation Army.

Churches of Christ Queensland have launched the Care Community Foundation 2013 Queensland Flood Appeal. Funds from this appeal will be distributed through their local churches.

To make a donation send a completed form to Care Community Foundation, PO Box 508, Kenmore, Queensland, 4069. Forms are on the notice board.