

Coming Events

Prayer Points



- ✦ Our minister, Schalk, his wife, Marlene, and their family
- ✦ Church members who are struggling with health issues
- ✦ Thank God for all His blessings this year - in Kawana Waters Uniting Church, and in each of our families,
- ✦ For innocent families who have been caught in the horrors of war, just trying to survive
- ✦ Thank God that we have people who care for us and love us
- ✦ Praise God for all the enthusiasm and fellowship of our church family
- ✦ Praise God for the little things He does in our lives each and every day
- ✦ Ask God for His help in all things.
- ✦ Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His love endures forever.



Christmas dates

Turning on the Christmas lights
& Advent Service
3 December @ 6:30pm

Carol service
Friday, 15 December @ 6:30 pm

Children's Crib Service
24 December @ 6:30 pm

Christmas Day services
25 December @ 7 & 8:30 am



"My idea of Christmas, whether traditional or modern, is very simple; loving others."
- Bob Hope

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*For unto us a child is born,
Unto us a son is given. Isaiah 9:6*

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to our Christmas edition of IGNITE.

Hope - Joy - Love - Peace and a miracle in the manger.

Why can't we see that this is all we need? Why do we need that next greatest thing? The television certainly is trying to convince me more than ever that I need to get down to the shop or order something on line. My email inbox is full of adverts showing me what I am missing out on. I think my life will be an empty vacuous thing, if I don't move quickly to get something at the Black Friday Sales or the Boxing Day Sales or EOFY Sales, or the sale that is just for the heck of it.

Ques: When did life become so tied up with shopping?!

Ans: When life became all about ME.

I was talking this afternoon to my son's best mate. He was telling me he had watched a YouTube clip of an "Influencer Warehouse". What is an influencer warehouse, you might ask? It is a large warehouse that has been sectioned into small rooms where people sit to be filmed. They are the influencers to the new generation. They sit in these rooms putting on makeup, styling their hair, whitening their teeth, etc and pumping up the brand names. Their followers watch and immediately get online to order the same products, so that they too can be beautiful and admired. What's happened to simple parenting?

How sad; how truly sad, when relationships with others is based on trying to make them envious of what we have and who we are.

The most precious thing about being a Christian is that 'me, myself and I' are last. While we celebrate at Christmas, the hope, joy, love and peace we have through God's gift of Jesus Christ, it is so much more wonderful to be the hope-joy-love-peace for others. It's hard to remember this simple twist to our perspective at this time of year, I know, with all the sales messaging about stuff! But there are so many people who don't even realise that hope-joy-love-peace is exactly what they need in their lives. They are glued to their phones checking out what the influencers are telling them they need.

Be the miracle of the manger to someone this season. They need it.

Blessings to you all.

Adele

CHRISTMAS WORD SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the letters to find words which have to do with Christmas. Some of the words have religious meaning, others are secular.

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| 2. Naclorig | 17. Lone |
| 3. Rats | 18. Naast |
| 4. Scunttshe | 19. Yodahil |
| 5. Porduhl | 20. Cloars |
| 6. Eljnig | 21. Odenyk |
| 7. Skagceap | 22. Gaim |
| 8. Dressephh | 23. Hojesp |
| 9. Gramen | 24. Scamsthir |
| 10. Galen | 25. Stranneom |
| 11. Limesotte | 26. Ejuss |
| 12. Vaniyitt | 27. Wamsonn |
| 13. Gotscink | 28. Gisehl |
| 14. Virasou | 29. Eecap |
| 15. Traweh | 30. Meltehehb |



Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. (Matthew 5:9)

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. (Colossians 3:15)

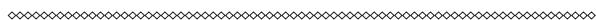
DID YOU KNOW? People have been sending Christmas cards since 1843. At the time, Sir Henry Cole worked as a senior civil servant and had helped set up what would become the Post Office, and he wanted to try and encourage it to be used by ordinary people.

His idea of Christmas cards was created, and they were initially sold for only 1 shilling each. The custom slowly became more popular throughout the years! Now, 180 years later, we still love to send our beloved friends and family a Christmas card to wish them well and let them know we're thinking of them! Or perhaps you send an electronic version?? MERRY CHRISTMAS

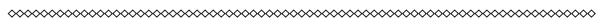
A devout old shepherd lost his favorite Bible while he was out looking for a wayward lamb. Three weeks later, a sheep walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The shepherd couldn't believe his eyes. He took the precious book out of the sheep's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!"



"Not really," said the sheep. "Your name is written inside the cover."



Words of wisdom: "There's a fine line between a long, drawn-out sermon and a hostage situation."



The frugal treasurer walked into the house panting and almost completely exhausted. "What happened?" inquired her husband.



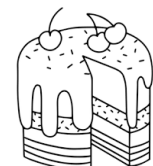
"It's a great new idea I have to be a better steward of our resources," she gasped. "I ran all the way home from the stewardship committee meeting behind the bus and saved \$1.50."



"That wasn't very bright," replied the husband. "Why didn't you run behind a taxi and save \$10?"



Pastor Paul had been advised by his doctor to lose 30 pounds or risk serious health consequences. The good pastor took his new diet seriously, even changing his driving route to the church building to avoid his favorite bakery. One morning, however, he arrived for Bible study carrying a gigantic devil's food cake. The class chuckled and chided him, but the good pastor's smile remained cherubic.



"This is a very special cake," he explained. "I accidentally drove by the bakery this morning and there in the window were a host of goodies. I felt this was no accident, so I prayed, 'Lord, if you want me to have one of those delicious cakes, let me have a parking place directly in front of the bakery.' And sure enough," he continued, "the eighth time around the block, there it was!"



SUGGESTED BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS 2023 AND BEYOND....

Someone suggested that I find a way of referencing some of the books that I quote in some of my sermons. So here are some.... Hope it is helpful!

Blessings
Schalk

CLASSICS

- G K Chesterton: Orthodoxy
- C S Lewis: Surprised by Joy
- C S Lewis: Mere Christianity
- A W Tozer: The Pursuit of God
- J Bunyan: The Pilgrim's Progress

APOLOGETICS

- F Schaeffer: How Then Should We Live
- T Keller: The Reason for God
- L Strobel: The Case for Christ

HISTORY

- T Holland: Dominion
- P Johnson: History of Christianity

SCIENCE AND RELIGION

- A E McGrath: Science and Religion
- F Collins: The Language of God

BIBLICAL ARCHEOLOGY

- J P Kramer: Where God Came Down

AUSTRALIAN WRITERS

- J Dickson: Humilitas
- G Sheridan: God is Good for You
- G SheridanChristians: The Urgent Case for Jesus in Our World
- M Sayers: Non-Anxious Presence

DEVOTIONAL

- St Augustine: Confessions
- R Rolheiser: The Holy Longing
- H Nouwen: Life of the Beloved

PHILOSOPHY

- D Willard: The Divine Conspiracy
- P Kreeft: Doors in the Walls of the World

THEOLOGY

- J Stott: The Cross of Christ
- T Keller: Gospel in Life

PASTORAL CARE

- E Peterson: A Long Obedience
- L Payne: Listening Prayer

PSYCHOLOGY

- J Peterson: 12 Rules for Life
- J Peterson: Beyond Order: 12 More Rules for Life



A HISTORY OF WORDS

Christmas

According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, the word Christmas originates from the phrase “*Cristes Maesse*”, first recorded in 1038, which means the Mass of Christ or Christ’s Mass. The word mass is the English version of the Latin word *missa*, a celebration of the Eucharist, done in memory of Jesus Christ, where Christians eat bread and drink wine. But not all is Latin; in fact, the word Christ comes from the Greek word *Khristos*, translated from the Hebrew term *messiah*, which means anointed.

Festive

This word comes from the Latin term for feast: *festivus*. It originally meant joyous, gay, and merry. It was also related to *festum*, which means holiday or festival.

Advent

Advent originates from the Latin *adventus*, a term meaning arrival or approach.

Nativity

Nativity comes from Latin, via French, referring to being born and birth.

Carol

The world carol was used in medieval times to refer to a dance carried out in circles, usually performed during pagan celebrations. It was a type of folk music that Christians later adapted to religious themes, thus becoming the Christmas carol we know today.

Christmas pudding

The English and Irish tradition of having plum pudding at Christmas was carried across the Atlantic and spread out in the “colonies.” Some historians believe that Christmas pudding traditionally had thirteen ingredients, one for Christ and one for each of the Apostles.

Noah Webster defined plum pudding as “pudding containing raisins or currants.” The word has meandered in history, eventually becoming associated with rich, sweet foods. Plum pudding is one of such sweet examples.



David was worried that Cathy wasn’t hearing as well as she used to, and he thought she might need a hearing aid. Not quite sure how to approach the issue, he called the family GP to discuss the problem. The GP told him there was a simple informal test that he could perform to give him a better idea about her hearing loss.

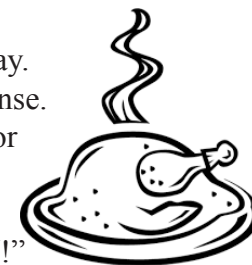
“Here’s what you do,” said the GP. “Stand about 40 feet away from her and in a normal conversational speaking tone see if she hears you. If not, go to 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response.”

That evening, Cathy was in the kitchen cooking dinner, and David was in his office. He said to himself, “I’m about 40 feet away. Let’s see what happens.” In a normal tone David asked, “Honey, what’s for dinner?” No response.

So he moved closer to the kitchen, about 30 feet from Cathy, and said, “Cathy, what’s for dinner?” Still no response. Next he moved into the dining room where he was about 20 feet from Cathy and asked, “Hey Cath, what’s for dinner?” Again, no response.

So, he walked up to the kitchen door, about 10 feet away. “Honey, what’s for dinner?” Again, there was no response. So David walked right up behind her. “Cathy, what’s for dinner?”

“David, for the 5th time, WE’RE HAVING CHICKEN!”



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• Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you
• as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be
• afraid. John 14:27
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• In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, LORD, make me
• dwell in safety. Psalm 4:8
•.....

Joy is like the rain

I saw raindrops on my window,
Joy is like the rain.
Laughter runs across my pain
Slips away then comes again
Joy is like the rain.

I saw clouds upon a mountain,
Joy is like a cloud;
Sometimes silver, sometimes
grey,
Always sun not far away.
Joy is like a cloud.

I saw Christ in wind and thunder.
Joy is tried by storm;
Christ asleep within my boat,
Whipped by wind yet still afloat.
Joy is tried by storm.

I saw raindrops on the river,
Joy is like the rain.
Bit by bit the river grows
'Til all at once it overflows.
Joy is like the rain.

To listen to a beautiful version of this song, google "Joy is like the rain" and listen to one by the Medical Mission Sisters or the Quintree Quartet.

Let's talk PEACE

Albert Einstein once said, "God did not create evil. Just as darkness is the absence of light, evil is the absence of God."

So how do we measure or talk about concepts such as hope, joy, peace? Are these just positive attributes which are understood as the opposite of something else? Peace as a lack of violence? Joy versus sadness? Hope versus despair? There is a website that aims to create an annual Global Peace Index, with one of the key features being a country's levels of violence; a criterion that puts Iceland apparently at the top of the table (i.e. highest rating of peace), Afghanistan at the bottom and Australia sitting at #22.

It is challenging to consider what are the indicators of peace? What does peace look like, if we don't define it in terms of 'how many murders', or 'how many cases of domestic violence'.

Try making a list of the positive actions we could count to measure and describe peace.



The tradition of Christmas trees goes all the way back to the ancient Egyptians and Romans, who decorated with evergreens during the winter solstice to signify that spring would return. Evergreens reminded them of all the green plants that were to grow once the sun returned.

Glory to God Alone

I think Schalk has spoken about J.S. Bach and his habit of adding S.D.G. - Soli Deo Gloria - 'Glory to God alone' at the end of his musical compositions (apparently Handel also marked his works with these initials). Wikipedia tells me that 'as a doctrine, it means that everything that is done is for God's glory to the exclusion of man's self-glorification and pride. Christians are to be motivated and inspired by God's glory and not their own.'

After thinking about this, I felt that although I am not composing marvelous pieces of music, or paintings, or accomplishing wonderful sporty feats, or anything in fact particularly noble, I am still called to give God the honour he is due. So, from time to time I have added S.D.G. to my email signature. I have thought that it might intrigue people who receive an email from me, to check out what the S.D.G. stands for. Of course, they might get a little confused and rather even more intrigued as they might imagine me belonging to the 'Speed Defies Gravity' bike racing set, or perhaps a member of the Strategies Decisions Group, or even be involved in the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and I sincerely hope they don't believe I am a member of the Serbian Drum Guard.

The thing is, that even in our ordinary lives, in even the most mundane tasks, we can glorify the one true God - Abba, our heavenly Father. As we come up to the Christmas season, I think about the phrase "Glory to God in the highest" given in the message to the shepherds that cold winter night. The angels, messengers of God proclaiming a truly wonderful piece of news, didn't deliver the message to kings or men of great power, but to the poor and humble shepherds working through the night, keeping an eye on the flock. So the greatest of news: God's great love for men, manifested in sending his Son to dwell on earth, equally as Son of God and Son of Man, was given first to the some of the lowest.

God doesn't require great feats or amazing acts, He simply demands that we glorify Him in all that we do; glory to God in the highest.

Adele
S.D.G.

8 Deadly words used by a woman

- 1) “Fine” : This is a word women use to end an argument when they are right and you need to be quiet.
- 2) “Five minutes” : If she is getting dressed, this means half an hour. Five minutes is only five minutes, if you have been given five more minutes to watch the rugby before helping around the house.
- 3) “Nothing” : This is the calm before the storm. This means ‘something’ and you should be on your toes. Arguments that begin with ‘nothing’ usually end with ‘fine’.
- 4) “Go ahead” : This is a dare, not permission. Don’t do it!
- 5) ‘loud sigh’ : This is actually a word, but is a nonverbal statement often misunderstood by men. A loud sigh means she thinks you are an idiot and wonders why she is wasting her time standing here and arguing with you about nothing. (Refer back to #3 for the meaning of ‘nothing’.)
- 6) “That’s Okay” : This is one of the most dangerous statements a woman can make to a man. ‘That’s okay’ means she has to think long and hard before deciding how and when you will pay for your mistake.
- 7) “Thanks” : A woman is thanking you - do not question, or faint. Just say “you’re welcome.” (I want to add a clause in here - this is true, unless she says ‘thanks a lot’ - that is PURE sarcasm and she is not thanking you at all. DO NOT say ‘you’re welcome’, that will bring a ‘fine’.)
- 8) “Don’t worry about it, I got it.” : Another dangerous statement, meaning this is something that a woman has told a man to do several times, but is now doing it herself. This will later result in the man asking ‘What’s wrong?’. For the woman’s response, refer to #3.



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Someone will say they enjoy Christmas because, finally, they can give something back to those who have given to them in other ways during the year. They can say “thank you”.

Yet others will look forward to Christmas because they can be with friends, show appreciation to work colleagues, even make a special effort to show forgiveness to someone.

And there will be those who are reminded by Christmas to remember others less fortunate than themselves. Special Christmas giving trees are common these days and people’s Christmas spirit generosity is abundant.

And children. Isn’t it true that Christmas is a special time for children? All the special, magical, even mystical qualities of Christmas bring excitement, anticipation, and ... focus ... to children. Again, the message of Christmas is ever present. The school Christmas pageant and carols night.

The Carols by Candlelight events. A card from Grandma and Grandpa. And all this magic passes from generation to generation. The excited child fighting sleep on Christmas Eve becomes the delighted parent doing “that” special job.

Yes, Christmas does have its commercialism. But if we look beyond all the hype, the stress and glitter, we will find, not too far behind, the very real, ever present and truly modern, relevant and essential message of Christmas. Let us embrace the commerciality of Christmas with a new enthusiasm because, in the end, it all serves to remind each of us of that special birth of that special person in that special place under that special star, 2,000 special years ago.



I am not capable of
doing big things,
but I want to do
everything, even the
smallest things for
the glory of God.

Saint Dominic Savio



Sometimes not so much tucked away as on bold display in a window. All these things serve to carry the true message of Christmas. Somehow the local department store, and even the supermarket, can become a haven of peace and tranquillity. But is it all so subliminal that we don't even notice it?

Again, maybe. But as often as not there'll be a friendly face. A smile to welcome and warm. A warmth that isn't always around at other times of the year. A helpful, Santa-hatted, sales assistant. Children singing on the centre stage. Someone will say they love Christmas because it's a time for families to get together. Families who may not have been together since last year.

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Sunday Funnies

A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who mention it.

Is Google a woman? Because it won't let you finish a sentence without coming up with other suggestions.

Behind every angry woman is a man who has absolutely no idea what he did wrong.

Never laugh at your girlfriends choices... your one of them.

My girlfriend was complaining last night that I never listen to her. Or something like that...

How do I disable the autocorrect function on my wife?

I suggested to my wife that she should embrace her mistakes. She gave me a hug.

When a woman says "what?" It's not because she didn't hear you. She's just giving you a chance to change what you said.

Women sometimes make fools of men, but most guys are the do-it-yourself type.

A woman's mind is cleaner than a man's: She changes it more often.

If I had a dollar for every girl that found me unattractive, they would eventually find me attractive.

Outvoted 1-1 by my wife again.

(Sorry ladies, I couldn't resist these funnies.)

A friend is like a good bra: hard to find, supportive, comfortable, always lifts you up, makes you feel good, and ALWAYS close to your heart.



THE PARABLE OF THE SEAMSTRESS

One day a seamstress was sewing while sitting at the riverbank, her thimble fell into the river. When she cried out, the Lord appeared and asked, "My child, why are you crying?" The seamstress replied that her thimble had fallen into the water and that she needed it to help her husband in making a living for their family.

The Lord dipped his hand into the water and pulled up a golden thimble set with sapphires. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked. The seamstress replied, "No." The Lord again dipped into the river. He held out a golden thimble studded with rubies. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked. Again the seamstress replied, "No." The Lord reached down again and came up with a plain, leather thimble. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked. The seamstress replied "Yes." The Lord was pleased with the woman's honesty and gave her all three thimbles to keep, and the seamstress went home happy.

Some years later, the seamstress was walking with her husband along the riverbank, and her husband fell into the river and disappeared under the water. When she cried out, the Lord again appeared and asked her, 'Why are you crying?' 'Oh Lord, my husband has fallen into the river!' The Lord went down into the water and came up with George Clooney. "Is this your husband?" the Lord asked. "Yes," cried the seamstress.

The Lord was very upset. "You lied. That is an untruth." The seamstress replied, "Forgive me, Lord. It is a misunderstanding. You see, if I had said "No" to George Clooney, you would have next come up with Brad Pitt. Then if I had said "No" to him, you would have come up with my husband. Had I then said "Yes", you would have given me all three. Lord, I am not in the best of health and would not be able to take care of all three husbands, so THAT'S why I said "Yes" to George Clooney."

And so the Lord let her keep him.

MORAL: Whenever a woman lies, it's for a good and honourable reason, and in the best interest of others. (at least - that's our story and we're sticking to it!)

Is Christmas relevant? by Clinton White

There must be billions of words that have been written about Christmas. But what does Christmas mean? Is it modern? Is it relevant to us anymore?

Some might say that it's too cold at Christmas to play golf. Others might lament that it's too hot to snuggle under a rug by the fire. Should we have a hot roast dinner or a cold meat salad? Should we go to Church and sing traditional Christmas carols or just use Christmas as some sort of excuse to pig-out?

People talk about Christmas being a time of giving, a time of sharing and loving our neighbour. We even stop shooting each other during war on Christmas Day ... only for one day, though! Is it all just talk, or is there really something about Christmas that is still meaningful to us after 2,000 years?

The origins of Christmas are well known. But the Bible doesn't talk much about it.

"For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide, we might have hope." Romans 15:4

Even two of the apostles don't mention the birth of Jesus. Mark starts with the baptism of Jesus by John. John starts with his first encounter with Jesus, declaring him the "Lamb of God". Matthew and Luke are the only reporters of that famous birth in Bethlehem.

People say that Christmas today is too commercial. We all party, shops advertise heavily, we decorate our houses, Santa is revered ... even feared by tiny tots ... reindeer abound.

Then, it's said to be too stressful. Tempers fray, spending goes into overdrive, we frantically prepare for the holiday at the coast, we wrestle others for that perfectly shaped Christmas tree, we frantically look for somewhere to agist the dog or the cat, we swoop on the supermarkets like a plague of locusts in a wheat field.

Well, maybe. But is it really all those things? Isn't it nice to walk into a shop and hear the sounds of Christmas - Silent Night, Away in a Manger, The First Nowell? Isn't it nice to see a Nativity scene tucked away in all the tinsel?

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

HOPE

What keeps someone going, when they have been so severely burned in a fire that they are totally unrecognisable (Turia Pitt), or to be born with a tumour wrapped around your spinal cord that is operated on but leaves you paralysed (Dylan Alcott)? In his book, *Man's search for meaning*, Viktor Frankl (a survivor of four concentration camps - including Auschwitz) commented that he watched many men in the concentration camps. His observations led him to understand that those who had a deep spiritual belief had hope, and therefore survived the horrendous conditions inside the camps. Those that didn't have hope, quickly declined and inevitably died.

A quote I read when thinking about hope says, “Someday all you will have to light your way will be a single ray of hope and that will be enough” (Kobi Yamada). While I agree with the sentiment, that having hope in your life will often get you through, I like to think that the greatest difference in taking a Christian perspective is that it is not turned inwards to the self, but outwards. And so I rephrase Kobi's words to say: “Someday, all someone will have to light their way will be you, as a single ray of hope in their lives, and you will be enough.” Just as having God in our lives is ‘enough’ for us.

JOY

What a beautiful, simple word - “joy”. There is no complication about joy; it just is. I tried looking for a poem about joy on the web, and couldn't find anything that captured the simplicity of its uplifting spirit. The poems I glanced at, looked at the sense of ‘joy’ by contrasting this state to sadness. In the end I returned to a song from my youth group days to capture this feeling, Joy is like the rain, which I have written out for you on page 16.

You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound. (Psalm 4:7)

Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place. (1Chronicles 16:27)

LOVE

And the greatest of these is LOVE. What is there to say about love that hasn't been said before. We can dip into the Bible just about anywhere and find something that is meaningful and references ‘Love’. If the Bible hasn't said it, then a poet somewhere, sometime has probably expressed it - in a poem, story, artwork, or piece of music. So I'm not going to try to be original, after all there is nothing new under the sun. Instead, I have done a simple google search for songs that have ‘love’ in the title, to see what pithy phrases have captured this greatest of all emotions. (How many of them can you instantly remember?)

Please let me know if I have missed your favourite love song. Enjoy.

All you need is LOVE	LOVE will keep us alive
Can't help falling in LOVE	LOVE me tender
I want to know what LOVE is	In the name of LOVE (Pride)
I will always LOVE you	Wreckless LOVE
Have I told you lately that I LOVE you	Why do fools fall in LOVE
How deep is your LOVE	And I LOVE you so
Crazy little thing called LOVE	To Sir with LOVE
I just called to say I LOVE you	Miracle of LOVE
When LOVE takes over	Secret LOVE
LOVE me do	I'm in the mood for LOVE
Make you feel my LOVE	Endless LOVE
When a man LOVES a woman	A groovy kind of LOVE
Addicted to LOVE	LOVE, devotion, and surrender
Can you feel the LOVE tonight?	How deep is your LOVE
Whole lotta LOVE	Stop in the name of LOVE
LOVE will keep us together	I'll never fall in LOVE again
No ordinary LOVE	Love is in the air
Can't buy me LOVE	Greatest LOVE of all
LOVE hurts	Crazy LOVE
You don't have to say you LOVE me	When LOVE comes to town
Nothings gonna change my LOVE for you	
If you LOVE somebody, set them free	
You've got to hide your LOVE away	
What the world needs now is LOVE, (sweet love)	





THANK YOU

one and all

To everyone who has :

- played with the worship team,
- made cupse of tea and coffeee on the morning tea roster,
- provided the church with flowers on Sunday,
- cleaned, mowed, trimmed, or just taken out the rubbish,
- provided pastoral care to those in need,
- visited members of our church family at home, in hospital, in nursing homes,
- shared, laughed, cried, hugged, or even just smiled to show connection with those around you,
- been an active and faithful member of our church family.

THANK YOU

This is just a representative few, of the people who deserve our sincere and heartfelt thanks. If there is someone who has done something special for you or the wider church, don't forget to thank them in this special season, but also of course at any time.