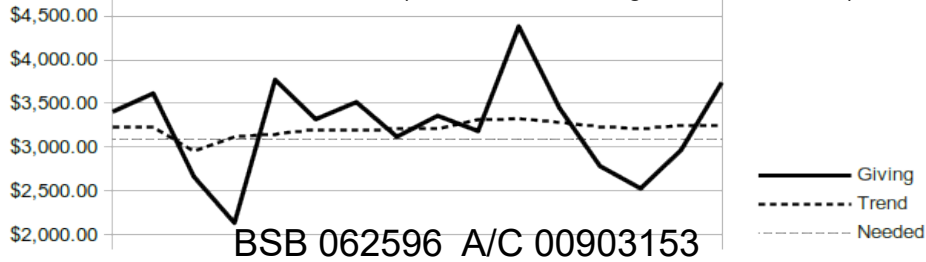


# Financials

(NOTE Earmarked gifts NOT included)



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Thank you for your heart of giving and commitment.

## \* Birthdays this week

|         |                     |
|---------|---------------------|
| Today   | John Grant          |
| “ “     | Johnathon Prestidge |
| Monday  | Oskars Stubis       |
| Tuesday | Phillip Gummerson   |
| “ “     | Ruth Owen           |



## \* Anniversaries this week

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| Today  | John & Patricia Greenlees |
| Monday | Brett & Donna Davis       |



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# Connect



News from Riverstone Community Church

28<sup>th</sup> November 2021

**Topic:** God is Holy  
**Speaker:** Rhys Morsillo  
**Chairman:** Nathan Fredericks

**Next Sunday**  
**God is Love**  
**Linc Marlow**

(Nathan Fredericks)

**The Sunday after...**  
**God is Sovereign**  
**Andrew Cowell**

(Nathan Fredericks)

## The Program (D.V.)

10:00am

Church which includes:  
 Prayer and Praise  
 Kids' Spot  
 Communion & Preaching

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# Prayer, Praise & News.

## Weddings – coming up

- \* **Daniel Morsillo and Robyn Logan**, due to marry in December.  
**Pray** – For God’s blessing on their union.
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## Babies – on the way.

- \* **Oskars and Lucy**
  - \* **Chris and Lena Barrington**
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## General Praise & Prayer

- \* **Mark Abraham** – Cataract removed OK. Retina laser repair last Thursday.  
Stitches to be removed in 2 weeks.  
**Praise** – That the surgery went well.
- \* **Belle Camilleri** – Corrective spinal surgery due 13<sup>th</sup> December.  
**Praise** – That she can attend Year 6 farewell.
- \* **Azar & Eghbal** (John Grant’s friends – Iranian Christians in Turkey).  
**Praise** – The tumour was removed and hormone therapy started.  
**Pray** – That she responds well to the treatment.  
– That they will be able to find asylum in Australia.
- \* **Ted Davis** – Major spinal surgery. Metal plate in left hip was relocated.  
**Praise** – That Ted is home again!  
**Pray** – That this is a permanent cure.
- \* **Heather Davis** – Tumour has stopped growing – Next scan in January.  
**Pray** – For complete healing.
- \* **Stuart & Carol Thomson** – Coming to Riverstone soon.  
**Pray** – For a stress free transition.
- \* **Our church** –  
**Praise** – That we can meet again today.  
**Pray** – For the elders planning next year’s teaching and direction.

## We may be in a time of testing.



God may not respond exactly when you want Him to, but He is always on time. *“No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.”* Psalm 84:11. It's difficult to watch God blessing others while we're forced to wait. The Bible tells us, *“Joseph remained a slave until his own words came true, and the Lord had finished testing him”* Psalm 109:19.

God's plan was for Joseph to live in a palace, yet for years he lived in a prison, charged with crimes he never committed, but it was there he met a butler who had the ear of Pharaoh. Through this connection, he was promoted to second-in-charge in Egypt.

When we walk with God, our opportunities for advancement are regulated by His plan, not someone else's actions, and preparation always precedes promotion. When Elijah called down fire from Heaven on Mount Carmel, everybody admired and applauded him. Prior to that he'd spent years living through a famine and the only friend he had was an impoverished widow. Together they had to trust God for every meal. That's when Elijah learned important lessons about humility, divine guidance, and trusting God in times of need; things that don't necessarily make sense to our natural minds.

When God is going to build something great, He takes time to lay a strong foundation. *“Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.”* Luke 2:52. Allow time to grow. Let Him build a foundation under you that will sustain you.