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Thank you for your heart of giving and commitment.

Birthdays this week

Today	Elizabeth Kennedy
Monday	David (DJ) Judd



If you did not get a copy of Ken's new book *From Fear To Faith* please take one today.

(It's free for distribution / personal evangelism)

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News from Riverstone Community Church

30th July 2023

Topic: Portrait of a *Healthy Church: Shepherded by Godly Pastors*

Speaker: Allan Driver

Chairman: Mitch Cavens

Creche: Ace & Joanne

The Next Sunday
Vision Sunday: Eternal Life

The Sunday After..
Portrait of a Healthy Church: Eldership excursus 1

Sp: Elders
Ch: Peter Gordon
Cr: Oskars & Lucy

Sp: Andrew Cowell
Ch: Peter Gordon
Cr: Robyn & Emilia

The Program (D.V.)

10:00am
Church which includes:
Prayer and Praise
Creche
Worship
Communion
Preaching

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Prayer, Praise & News.

* **Pray for all those grieving lost loved ones.** ...Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words. 1st Thessalonians 4 15-18

We know that they will meet again but comfort is needed now.

- * **Kristie Prestige's dad** – Pain following knee surgery preventing exercise.
Praise – A considerable improvement in movement and pain level.
- * **Mark Abraham's mother** – Now with her Saviour (yesterday) – aged 93
Praise – For a godly life.
- * **Ace & Joanne** – Joanne's father, William, died Friday.
Ron Siao (Ace's friend) – Hospitalised with possible leukaemia.
Pray – For the families involved.
- * **Johanna Skelly's sister-in-law** – In hospital, blood clots & possible cancer.
Pray – For her to come to salvation and for her health issues.
- * **Richard Speirs, Wayne's dad** – Recovering from pneumonia – sent home.
Pray – That the needed help can be provided at home.
- * **Paul Volkart** – Was in Hawkesbury hospital with low haemoglobin level.
Then sent home to await further testing.
Pray – For wisdom for the doctors and peace for Marilyn.
- * **HSC Students** – Cate, Josh, Kaylen and Zac.
Pray – That they will be rewarded for their studies.

"Sound of Freedom" movie to be released in Australia 24th August

Another Look at the Woman at the Well

What time was it when the Samaritan woman walked to Jacob's well outside Sychar? John 4:6 gives us that detail: "about the sixth hour" (i.e. about noon). Now why would she make that journey in the heat of the day instead of early morning or late afternoon like other women?

Here was a woman who had been through five husbands and was cohabiting with number six (John 4:18). Odds are that the other women avoided and perhaps even shunned her.

But Jesus didn't shun her! He saw her not as an immoral Samaritan woman, but as a human being made in God's image who desperately needed salvation whether she knew it or not. Instead of bombarding her with passages from the Law condemning her actions, He asked her for a drink of water!

When she questioned His request, He told her she ought to have asked Him for living water. She thought of H2O, but of course Jesus was referring to eternal life.

First things first! Jesus exposed her sin in due time, but priority one was to help her see who He was and what He could do for her eternal well-being.

We need to follow His example today! Jesus came to call sinners to repentance (Luke 5:32). But first He established an everyday connection before dealing with the important issues.

Show them who Jesus is and what He can do. Then they can see their sin, turn from it, and enjoy the salvation that He gives.

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21 July FOMO

FOREST GAMES

28 July DTEAM

Fear of the future
NAME GAME NIGHT

11 Aug DTEAM

FUR OUT*

18 Aug Impact Outing*

JACKBOX NIGHT

25 Aug Fear of Rejection

DAVID & GOLIATH

1 Sept DTEAM

Fear of Failure
DANSON & NIGHT

8 Sept Fear of Failure

Small Group Night

15 Sept Small Group Night

Impact Youth 7-9pm at Riverstone Community Church
DTEAM nights are 7-8:30pm at QLO. *Many require some \$
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