Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 28thOct



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10:00am Family Communion Sermon: "Who is in the House?" Rev David Smithson

Refreshments: Melanie Holdsworth

Over the last few weeks I have been reading an excellent book by the biblical scholar Dr Michael Heiser "The Unseen Realm – recovering the supernatural worldview of the Bible." A part of it focusses on how God has a heavenly council (Psalm 82) and these beings are like a family, and oversee the Heavenly Realm. God then created the earth and humans, and humans were to be God's Imagers/Representatives to oversee the Earth Realm. However, freewill and the subsequent Fall occurred (as had in the Heavenly Realm). We are still His Imagers, and God needs us in His Household – and this Sunday's NT reading of Ephesians 2:19-22 touches on this.

God bless. David

Spring spruce up working bee for our wee church Saturday 27th 1pm − bring cleaning products and utensils etc. Coffee and cake provided ☺

Foodbank: Current needs are tinned tomatoes, tinned soups, sugar, pasta sauce, pasta, rice, milk powder. Fresh vegetables are also most welcome.



Readings for 28th October:

OT: Isaiah 28:14-16 **NT:** Ephesians 2:19-22 **Gospel:** John 15:18-27

Reader:

Children: Kids activity packs with a chocolate treat O

Youth: Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church, Gordonton, & Weds 7pm "Ignite" @ - Horsham Downs Church.



+ Prayer Points +

- For Rich, Fee & family in the UK (see their latest newsletter on the noticeboard)
- For Judy as she recuperates after being in hospital
- For stability and unity in the USA

In case of an emergency during a church service, please note the nearest exit: Front porch entrance and the side door to the vestry office. Fire extinguishers are also located near these two doorways.