

Order of Service

Song: My heart is filled with thankfulness

Prayer

Song: I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

Bible Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34 & Romans 7:1-6

Kids Talk

Sermon

Song: My song is love unknown

- Some of the Proverbs – please pray them for one another:

³ *It is to one's honour to avoid strife,
but every fool is quick to quarrel.*

⁴ *Sluggards do not plow in season;
so at harvest time they look but find nothing.*

- Pray for Nepal - this is from Caleb Sherpa: *"Thank you so much for your mail and remembering our people who have been impacted by flooding... [a] sister from Sherpa church her name is Lhamu sherpa and she lost her husband and uncle, she has one year old daughter and also she is 3 months pregnancy, so need to support her financially. And our Church is planning to go to support different areas with some blankets, rice, clothings etc, so we need your support and prayer."*

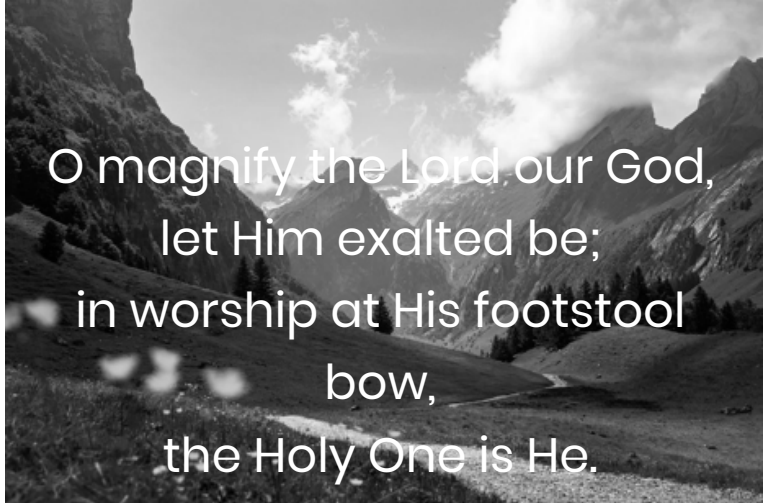
*Little-Faith was beaten up by Faint-heart, Mistrust and Guilt...
Hopeful thought that Little-Faith lacked courage, but Christian said,
"I have been in a situation similar to that of Little-Faith, and I found
it a terrible thing. These three villains once attacked me too..."*

- *Pilgrim's Progress (published 1678)*

Walcha
Presbyterian
Church

to show God's love by word and deed

to encourage others to follow Him



O magnify the Lord our God,
let Him exalted be;
in worship at His footstool
bow,
the Holy One is He.

Sunday 6 September 2026

Welcome and please join us for a cuppa after the service

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Notices

Membership- Membership is for professing Christians who are baptised. It is committing to a local church and requires a credible declaration of faith in Christ Jesus.

Baptism- After the Lord Jesus rose from the dead he commanded baptism (Matt. 28:19; also Acts 10:48).

Talk to Graham, Doug or Gordon

God's Word:

Sept 6 – Romans 7:1-6 (we serve in the Spirit)

Sept 13 – Romans 7:7-12 (Sin sprang to life and I died)

Sept 20 –

	Sept 6	Sept 13	Sept 20
Kids' Talk	Graham	Stuart	Doug
Door		Cameron	Val
Morning Tea	Helen + Beulah	Stantons	Bardens
Reading	Val	John	Yvette

Romans 7:1-6... Free from law; married to Christ Jesus

- Chapter 7 continues the same essential truth of chapter 6. The main word is "law."

Till death do us part (v.1-4a)

- Verses 1 to 3 are a general illustration about marriage to help us think about what has happened to us, if we belong to Christ.

- We understand that a person can only be married to one person, and our first husband was old Law.
- Note, in the illustration, we are the wife, but instead of our 'husband' – the law - dying, we died. When Christ died, we died to the penalties of the Law and to the old way.

A new marriage: we are married to the Christ (v1.-4)

- We are Christ's! A resurrected husband married to a resurrected wife.
- "... *belong to another*" = a husband of a different kind.
- Romans 5, 6 and 7 are about **peace**, **holiness** and **freedom** in God.

Christian hindsight (v.5)

- We *were* controlled by our sinful nature and the law pointed out every way that we had failed.
- But now, we are released from the law. Note, God's law is good, but we are freed from its condemning power.

We serve in the new way of the Spirit (v.6)

- This was the promise of the New Covenant (see Jeremiah 31 and Ezekiel 36):

"I will put my law in their minds
and write it on their hearts.

I will be their God,

and they will be my people (Jer. 31:33)."

- "*The way to overcome sin is not to teach morality, it is to preach the gospel*" – Martyn Lloyd Jones

*Here might I stay and sing
of Him my soul adores;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like Yours!*

*This is my Friend in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.*