



Schedule for our Sunday and mid-week services

Sunday Morning:

- **10:00am** Singing scripture reading and prayer.
- **10:40am** Participation in the Lord's supper.
- **10:50am** Teaching ministry from the Bible.
- **11:30 am** Close.

During the Teaching ministry we provide Sunday school for our young people.

Midweek Bible studies and women's Bible studies and prayer meetings occur in our homes - contact us for details. For Sunday school rally and youth outreach please contact our youth leaders.

About Queenstown Bible Chapel

The Queenstown Bible Chapel Assembly of Christians is an independent evangelical church, that holds the doctrine that the Lord Jesus Christ is the only Saviour for sinners. It acknowledges the Holy Scriptures as the final authority in all matter of faith and practice.

In operation, the church seeks to practice and uphold the New Testament pattern for local churches found in the New Testament. The church is autonomous and responsible through its elders to the Lord. The church has no single ordained minister or pastor and observes the principle of a "multiple ministry". The church elders aim to provide reliable and continuing programme of Bible teaching and sound doctrine, with its application to personal lives in today's world. We own our own building and are not under control from an outside body.

The Queenstown Bible chapel is a group of everyday people who meet to worship God and to encourage each other to live the Christian life. We have a genuine passion for those who do not know Christ and are focused on seeking opportunities to share His love and message of hope. We believe a church should function and feel like a close-knit family where loving relationships are developed and valued. We encourage this through Sunday services, meeting in small groups, and regular informal contact with each other throughout the week.

Underlying all this is our absolute commitment to God and his world. So you will hear the Bible taught, explained and related to daily living as we together seek to live for him.

We hope you will enjoy our worship time together this morning, thank you for coming.



What is taught at Queenstown Bible Chapel

- Mankind's need of a Saviour
- Heaven and Hell as the eternal destiny of all mankind
- God's salvation through the blood of His Son, Jesus Christ
- The imminent return of the Lord Jesus Christ for his own
- Gods future program for the earth
- The importance of Christian character (e.g. love, joy, peace - the fruit of the spirit)
- The importance of gathering as a local church
- Adherence to the Bible as the word of God

What you will notice

- New Testament simplicity
- The headship of Christ
- The priesthood of all believers
- A plurality of Elders
- Emphasis on the word of God
- Weekly remembrance of the Lords Jesus in the breaking of bread
- Believers gathering to pray read, and study Gods word
- Sunday school classes for children and rally for young people

Sunday school activities

"And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

2 Timothy 3:15

Sunday School Details

- **Time:** 11:00am – 11:30am
- **Ages:** 3 – 12 years
- **Classes:** 2 classes

The children begin with a combined singing session and are then divided into age-appropriate groups to ensure the Bible-based lessons are relevant, interactive, and meaningful, with a focus on the gospel, Christian living, and doctrine taught in a fun and engaging way.



Youth group / Rally

Our Youth/ Rally group is a fun, faith-building gathering designed to help children and young people grow in their understanding of the gospel while building strong friendships within the church community.

Rally Details

- **When:** Every second Sunday
- **Ages:** 9 – 15 years

Each rally begins with gospel-centred teaching that encourages spiritual growth and a deeper understanding of faith in Jesus Christ. After the message, the group enjoys a variety of fun and engaging activities, ranging from games nights to special outings such as visits to the water park.

This group provides a safe, welcoming, and encouraging environment where young people can grow in their faith, connect with others their age, and enjoy time together in a Christ-centred setting.

“Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.”

1 Timothy 4:12



A Brief History of Our Chapel in Queenstown

There has been an assembly witness in Queenstown for many years. The original “Gospel Hall” was located in a rented building on Shotover Street.

When the lease expired and the assembly was unable to purchase the property, they began meeting in the RSA rooms within the Lakes District Council’s Memorial Hall.

The land on which our current chapel stands was generously donated by a local Christian couple in the late 1960s.

The construction of the chapel was made possible through the love and support of members of the Grace Street Bible Chapel in Invercargill. Members of that assembly also played a key role in establishing the Lakeland Park Christian Camp on the Kelvin Heights Peninsula.

Brothers Alan and Harold were true visionaries. Alongside their spiritual work, they also helped launch the Shotover and Kawarau Jet Boat operations—now major tourist attractions in Queenstown.

Alan, ably supported by his wife Eunice, led the construction of our chapel in 1975. He worked with an architect, navigated council planning requirements, and encouraged contributions from other believers. Their dedication and generosity, along with the support of many others, made the chapel we enjoy today a reality. For this, we remain deeply grateful.

In 2005, a much-needed Sunday School room was added to the building. More recently, two accommodation studio units were built beneath the chapel. The income from these units helps offset the costs of maintaining the property and also supports full-time workers and mission efforts internationally.



STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. The Bible

We believe the Bible is completely inspired by God and free from error in its original writings. God guided human authors so that everything written is exactly what He intended. The Bible is God's perfect and final revelation, teaching us what to believe and how to live.

2. God

There is one true God, eternal, unchanging, infinite, and spirit. He exists as three equal persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—each fully God, working together in perfect unity.

3. Creation

God created the entire universe out of nothing in six literal days, exactly as described in the book of Genesis.

4. Humanity and Sin

God created mankind in His own image. Through Adam's disobedience, sin and death entered the world. As a result, all people inherit a sinful nature and are unable to earn God's acceptance by their own efforts.

5. Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is God who became man. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, lived a perfect and sinless life, and is fully God and fully human.

6. Christ's Death

Jesus died on the cross as a substitute for sinners, bearing the punishment our sins deserve. His death fully satisfied God's justice. His sacrifice is sufficient for all people, but effective only for those who believe.

7. Christ's Resurrection and Ascension

Jesus rose bodily from the dead and was seen by many witnesses. He later ascended into heaven in His glorified body and now sits at the right hand of God.

8. Christ's Present Ministry

Jesus Christ is the only way to God. He is the Head of the Church, our Great High Priest, and our Advocate, representing believers before God.

9. Salvation

Salvation is entirely a gift of God's grace. It cannot be inherited, earned, purchased, or granted by any church. It is received by personally trusting in Jesus Christ and His finished work on the cross. Once received, salvation is eternal and secure.

10. Salvation and God's Sovereignty

We are neither Calvinist nor Arminian. We believe God is fully sovereign, yet each person must personally believe in Christ to be saved. Faith alone—apart from works or "Lordship" requirements—is the only condition for salvation.

11. The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit permanently indwells every believer from the moment of conversion. He seals, teaches, empowers, and equips believers for godly living and service.

12. The Church (Its Beginning and Nature)

On the day of Pentecost, God formed the Church by baptizing all believers into one spiritual body with Christ as its Head. The true Church is not an organization but the spiritual body of all believers from Pentecost until the Rapture.

13. Spiritual Gifts

Every believer has been given spiritual gifts to serve the Church. The early Church was given certain temporary sign gifts (such as miracles and tongues) to confirm the message of the gospel, which we believe are no longer operative in the same way today. Ministry is the responsibility of all believers, not one individual.



14. The Local Church

God desires believers to gather locally in Christ's name, recognizing His authority alone and not identifying with denominations.

15. Membership in a Local Church

A local assembly is a visible expression of the Church and is made up only of true believers. The biblical order is conversion, baptism, and fellowship. New members should give evidence of genuine faith and sound doctrine.

16. Church Leadership

Each local assembly is self-governing under the care of elders—spiritually mature men who shepherd and oversee the believers, working together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

17. The Priesthood of Believers

Every Christian is a priest before God and has direct access to Him. There is no special clergy class in the New Testament Church.

18. Baptism

Believers are encouraged to be baptized by immersion following conversion. Baptism does not save but is an outward testimony of faith in Christ.

19. The Lord's Supper

Believers are instructed to regularly remember the Lord's death by partaking of bread and wine, symbols of His body and blood, especially on the first day of the week.

20. Men and Women in the Church

Men and women are equal in value before God but have distinct roles within the Church. Men are called to lead in public worship. Women serve in other vital ministries and are encouraged to show respect for God's order, including wearing a head covering in meetings and refraining from public speaking.

21. Church Discipline

When a believer falls into serious sin or false teaching, the Church must lovingly follow biblical discipline. Repentance should always lead to restoration.

22. Satan

Satan is a real created being who rebelled against God and was cast out of heaven. He actively opposes God and His people but operates only within limits allowed by God.

23. Healing and Miracles

God is able to heal at any time according to His will. However, the miraculous healing gifts given to the apostles were temporary and intended to confirm Christ's message. We do not believe these gifts continue in the same way today.

24. Israel and the Church

Israel and the Church are distinct in God's plan. God's promises to Israel will be fulfilled literally, and the Church does not replace Israel.

25. Life After Death

All people will exist forever—either in eternal joy with God or in eternal punishment separated from Him. There will be a future bodily resurrection and judgment of all people.

26. Future Events

We believe that near the end of this present age, Jesus Christ will return to take believers to heaven (the Rapture). This will be followed by a seven-year period of tribulation on earth.

27. The End of Time

Jesus Christ will return to reign on earth for 1,000 years (the Millennium). After this, sin, Satan, and death will be finally destroyed, and God will create a new heaven and a new earth where righteousness will dwell forever.