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GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday 5th December 2021—Second Sunday of Advent



Please join us this Sunday at our 9.30am or 6.30pm services or in our livestreamed Service—9.30am

Cafe Connect will be open after each service.

May we all be encouraged and strengthened in our faith through the Word of God.

ALL WELCOME!!



“Prepare for Jesus ”

The word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. Luke 3:2-3

Baptism seems so normal to us. We know Jesus’ command to go and baptize and we know the wonderful promises that go along with Christian baptism. Being adopted into God’s family is beautiful and we wish everyone would receive this blessing. But to a first-century Jewish person baptism was something only others did. People who were not born into Judaism but chose to worship Jahweh needed to completely change their lives. Baptism was a sign of washing off the past estrangement from God and those baptized made a vow to follow a Jewish way of life.

John now calls those who already worship the true God to be baptized. He is saying that the religious system is in for a shake -up. Jesus would usher in a completely new way to relate to God and live in his presence. The kingdoms of the world and all their power do not represent how God rules. Instead of forcing his authority, Jesus comes to serve. Jesus comes to show a new way. Jesus comes to do what could otherwise not be done. There is a new kingdom approaching and John wants everyone to know about it.

As we come near to Christmas we also remember that Jesus’ kingdom is unlike any other. We have a chance to think about how we reflect God’s kingdom. We praise God that he chooses us to join with John and point to our saviour Jesus.

Do you have a prayer request???

E-Mail
prayer_request@gglc.org.au

Pastor Greg

Readings This Week:
Philippians 1:3-11
Luke 3:1-6

DOWNLOAD WEEKLY READINGS HERE

Kids at Heart

During the service this week, we will be looking at the theme “John prepares the way” based on Luke 3:1-6

For craft this week, please visit <https://www.gglc.org.au/church/index.php/ministries/childrens-ministry> to view example and download template sheet

Remember to continue to send in your weekly artwork submissions. Visit

www.gglc.org.au or click link

CLICK HERE

Worship Opportunities		
Sunday 5th December	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Worship with Holy Communion Salt Factory Prayer Healing Service
Sunday 12th December	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Worship Salt Factory Service with HC

Salt Factory 6.30 pm Prayer Healing Service

Come at 5.45 pm for food and fellowship before the service (Gold coin donation)

ALL WELCOMED

You Tube Livestreaming Sunday Service—9.30am
 Please visit the church website <https://www.gglc.org.au> for links of our YouTube channel or Facebook page. We encourage you to share our links/information to those who can’t make it to our services or are homebound!

What's Happening In Our Community

Notice of GGLC Half Yearly Meeting

Sunday 12th December at 10.45 am

Printed copies of the Agenda are available and from

<https://bit.ly/gglchym2021>

✓ [Click Here to Read](#)

Day Connect Group Meeting Dates

***Thursday 9th December** in the church meeting room from 10am- 11:30am. There will be fellowship with a cuppa, a study and prayer time. We will look at some aspect of the birth of Jesus. You might like to bring/share some aspect/decoration/carol that is special to you at Christmas.

This will be our last gathering for 2021.

Love to see you there. All welcome.

Contact Rosalie Hoklas 0475 434 407 or the church office for more information. Covid guidelines apply.

"Life in the Vine" Publication

The December 2021 edition of our community magazine is available NOW.

[Click to Read](#)

Limited printed copies are available



SMG Presentation

This Sunday, during the morning service, we are having a presentation by Amber who is the chaplain for Wynn Vale Public School.

Please note that a retiring offering will occur for Schools Ministry Group (SMG)

GGLC Youth

December 10 - Celebration Night
Golden Grove Lutheran Church

Years 6-12
7.15pm - 9.30pm
\$4 Entry, \$1 Cans

RSVP by Wednesday December 8 to Joel on 0411 084 071

GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH *Christmas*
SERVICES

Friday December 24th Christmas Eve - 7pm
Christmas Eve Nativity Play

Saturday December 25th Christmas Day - 9.30am
Service with Holy Communion

Sunday 26th December - 9.30am
Informal service with light Breakfast

Salt Factory Healing Service

December 5
Meal 5.45pm (Gold Coin)
Service 6.30pm

With Pastor Greg

I have come that they may have life,
and that they may have it more abundantly.
John 10 : 10 (NKJV)

Salt Factory CAROLS NIGHT

Sunday December 19 | 6.30pm
No Meal

Join us for carols and a reflection on the Christmas story

A HOLLYWOOD CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY PLAY
7 PM DECEMBER 24
RICHARDSON DRIVE, WYNN VALE

Please note a full dress rehearsal is planned for Wednesday 22nd December @ 7pm. All welcomed to join us if you cant make it Christmas Eve.

RosTers for Sunday 12th December

	PA	Power Point	6.30 pm Livestreaming 6.30 pm Leader	Music Group	Greeters	Assistants with HC	9.30 am Café Salt Factory Café	9.30 am Reader Flowers	9.30am Prayers Devotion	Church Cleaning Salt Factory Catering
Sunday 9.30am Service	Schutz	John Fielke	Schutz	Jacque Schutz	Sue Fielke & Rose Hillier	--	Kloeden & Jenny Canavese	Andrew Schmidt	Fielke	Schiller
6.30pm Salt Factory	Ivan Schmocker	Kendall Kahl	Lauren Kahl	--	Lee Norrey	Joel Schiller	Dee Flynn	Jacqui Schutz	Pastor	Group

Latest Asaroka Update

Here is some latest news and photos of Asaroka. The Friends of Asaroka thank you for your continued support and prayers for our brothers & sisters in PNG especially Goroka and Asaroka.



- Highschool finishes for the year this week. Most staff do not have their appointments yet for 2022. The position of principal is still to be confirmed. Please pray that there will be continuation of principal and staff.
- Covid continues but is more manageable now.

- Trees are cut down for school maintenance and from trees near elementary school for Asaroka Circuit Church



- Farewell vicar & family from Martin Luther Seminary. School will assist with his tuition in 2022



- Himony Lapiso (PNG brother of Ken Tucharke) and his wife Jenny & family farewell son Eddie who died from health complications. Please keep this family in your prayers.





Lutheran Women of S.A

Rejoice! There's a Retreat coming!

So many women regretted the absence of a retreat at the beginning of 2021. The good news is that we are planning one for the usual weekend in January, 2022 – but not the usual live-in event. For our first occasion of holding a different kind of retreat, we're using the excellent facilities at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Para Vista. The retreat will run from Friday evening, January 14 until Saturday evening, January 15. The Friday evening session is 6.30 pm for a 7 pm start, and is due to finish at 9 pm. At the conclusion you can sleep at home, if you live close enough. Or if you make arrangements to stay with relatives or friends who are close enough, you can go to them. Or if you have nobody you can stay with, we have some willing hosts nearby, but we'll need to know your accommodation need by December 15, so that we can make suitable links between hosts and guests.

We are also seeking more suburban hosts within cooee of Para Vista, to make it possible for country or outer metro women to attend. Contact me if you can be a host – just like the good old days of billeting for synods!

Saturday begins with registration at 8.30 am and will conclude at 9 pm. (Same sleeping arrangements as Friday.) The whole day's yummy food will be prepared by the local catering group at Para Vista. They have a weekly ministry, providing meals for the community, so they've had plenty practice! **Total cost for full-time: \$70.**

There'll be all the usual benefits that retreats provide: fellowship, spiritual growth, singing, laughter, viewing stalls, buying books, renewing friendships and making new ones, etc. The only thing missing will be the camaraderie of an overnight stay. But that's something you can share over two bed 'n' breakfasts with your host or guest, whether it be a friend, relative or a new friend.

We have a great theme: 'Stop, listen, lean on Me.' And I'm sure you know who is meant by the word 'Me' with a capital M! Our chaplain, Pastor Michael Dutschke, will lead some sessions on listening to God. We'll also have input from some women speakers: Karen Pietsch and Kerry Norman.

This time there's no formal Sunday session, so you will be free to worship wherever you wish.

The enrolment form is attached to the November *Tidings* Newsletter or contact Lois Kupke on the details below.

Lois Kupke - 0410 590 012; kupkell@yahoo.com



NOVO

19 - 22 April 2022

Woodcroft College, Morphett Vale

Registrations Open Soon!

NOVO is the district wide camp for the SA/NT district of the Lutheran Church, run by Blueprint Ministries; [Blueprint Ministries exists to resource, encourage and focus its children, youth, families and young adults to grow in Christ and make Him known to all people. See link: <https://www.blueprintministries.org.au/>].

Registration for camp is not currently open yet – opening mid-December.

Expression of interests (EOI) for camp leaders are open now. This is the form to complete an EOI: https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Zsfq6tg1qUiYp2_PO7cNZAsXnndYWpFqcp9Henw83BURVZOUjFVRfOS1FNWU41WEdNMzRBS0UyMyQIQCNOPWcu

This camp is for Jesus! And we know that it will not come together without the help of our Lord. Please prayer for: Smooth planning; Leaders to feel called to serve throughout these 4 days; Campers to feel led to come on camp, and for their hearts to be softened in the lead up and whilst on camp.

Support for the work and ministry of Lutheran Community Care is ongoing and encouraged.

Each day LCC work with people who have faced a major crisis, such as the loss of a job, which in turn means they cannot afford food for the night or the upcoming weekend. Through Emergency Relief they provide people with emergency supplies of food and support them with referrals to financial counselling, support groups, personal counselling or services with other providers. The donation of food items is greatly appreciated and allows them to offer a more diverse range of support services to the community.



During **December**, we are collecting donations of **Sweet Biscuits, Canned Vegetables, Tinned Tuna, Shampoo/Conditioner & Diswashing Liquid** Boxes are always in the Foyer waiting to be filled!
Thank You For Your Generous Support!!

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