GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP



"Making Christ known in the community so that all may worship Him and receive the gift of eternal life"

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4th November 2007—23rd Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME to all worshipping with us today.

Greetings to any visitors here with us today. We are pleased to have you join us and we trust you have felt welcomed and pray the Holy Spirit may enlighten and empower us with the message shared with us today.

Tea & coffee is available in the Fellowship Centre following morning service and At 5.45 pm a light tea is available prior to the evening service at 6.30 pm. Please feel welcome to join us.

TWO MINUTES

Habakkuk I: 1-4, 2: 1-4

In the first few verses the prophet is complaining to God about the violence and injustice in the world. It seems that disobedience is far more rewarding than the struggle to try to live an upright and law-abiding life and justice never seems to prevail.

I was brought up in wartime Britain and lived through the Blitz and severe food rationing. Allowances were small, and people often went hungry. The "Black Market" was rife and if you were prepared to pay, then food was available. My mother was adamant, saying that by buying stolen food, you were disobeying the Commandments, condoning a wrong-doing, breaking the law and completely ignoring the sacrifices of our Armed Forces who were fighting for our lives. Sin is infectious but the disease can be cured by obedience to God!

In the last four verses I think God is encouraging us to be patient and wait for His purpose for us to be revealed. When He tells us "but the righteous will live by his faith", our obedience ensures that He will always be at our side, protecting and loving us always. We may flounder at times, but rest assured, God is in control!

Prayer: Dear Lord, Sometimes living in this crazy world of violence, conflict and total disregard for the law, we worry about the future for our children and grandchildren. Forgive us for not obeying and trusting in Your Word. Let us remember that "the righteous will live by his faith" and use this watchword to encourage others. Amen. **Pauline Taylor**

	Worship Opportunities		
Readings for today Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 2 Thess. 1:1-4,11,12 Luke 19:1-10 Readings for 11th Nov Haggai 1:15—2:9 2 Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38	Today 4th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Special family service Salt Factory worship with HC
	Friday 9th Nov	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club
	Sunday 11th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship
	Friday 16th Nov	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club



Family Friendly Worship

At Golden Grove, we love everybody to be involved in worship.

Please encourage children and visitors to join in the singing and prayers, and to stand and sit at
appropriate times when they are able. This is best done by leading by example!

<u>For our 'little ones'</u> - Quiet bags & busy books are available for worship time from the church foyer. Paper & pencils are available for children (and adults too if they would like to take notes of the message!!!)

It is not appropriate for unattended children to play in the foyer at any time during the service. Please ask an usher if you require assistance, or speak to a "Ministry Leader" if you would like to help young families during Worship times.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Pastor's Corner



• **Today** we are celebrating **LCA Sunday** with a special presentation during the service. Make sure you take a "We are called" flyer. I am preaching in both services on 1 Corinthians 12:12: *The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up only one body. So it is with the body of Christ.* Using the theme: "Many but one".

• Today (at either the Morning Service or Salt Factory), the 13 young people who are doing the **Confirmation (Next Step) course** will be presented to the congregation.

• Don't forget about the **Congregational meeting for Election Bearers for 2008** at **11am today**.

• Thank you to the 12 people who volunteered or accepted (after they were asked) to become **Pastoral Carers at GGLF**: Helen Raikiwasa, Elnora Schmocker, Marty and Marilyn Seidel, Dave and Liz Shrowder, Pastor Len and Claire Tscharke, Don and Jean Warren, Jeff Wegener, Judith Whaites. We will meet this Wednesday (7th November, 7.30pm) to talk through our role.

• **Confirmation session** this afternoon (3.30pm for catch up) and 4.15pm commencement will be on **Prayer**: *How and when you pray, Lord's Prayer, group prayer.* You are welcome to join us. Next Sunday we start looking at the commandments. In 2 weeks the confirmees will be going away on camp ("*Operation Hahn*" with Ray Shillabeer)

• Our new school **chaplain James Ziersch** was installed at GGLPS at our Friday morning service. (James has been funded by the federal Chaplaincy grant, and works on Monday and Tuesday at GGLPS— Anna our school counsellor works the rest of the school week.)

• Congratulations to Jodie- Lee Wilson and Jason Gay who were joined in Holy Matrimony yesterday.

• Don't forget about our **worship team** meeting this Tuesday (7.30pm)

• The theme for **next Sunday services** is "Praise God in and with His creation" (based on Psalm 104- You can prepare for worship by reading this Psalm.). The Worship Team is planning to celebrate the "**Season of Creation**" in **September next year**. The theme next Sunday will give you a taste of this.

• Next Sunday is our **Church/School Picnic**. At the morning service (at GGLF) we shall be celebrating **Nirelle Turner's Baptism**. The Picnic begins at 12noon. I hope you can make it.

• Please pray for **Christian Option program** this coming Wednesday and Thursday and for the following 3 weeks at Keithcott Farm Primary School.

• The movie "**One Night with the King**" commences this Thursday Night (8th November) at the Hoyt's Cinemas. It is based on the Biblical story of Esther. If it is anything like the book "One Night with the King" by Tommy Tenney, (which is in our church library) it will be well worth going to see.

• Youth Worker. We are in the process of calling another Youth Worker. We had a meeting this last week to look at the job description. I hope the advertisement for this position will be out soon.

• Again I would like to make this clear: our **Welcome Sheets** are for everyone to fill in each week. As I said at Salt Factory last week I do pray (by name) everyone who fills them in. Also by filling them in you are encouraging others to do the same.

Pastor Leon

GGLF Congregational Meeting for Election of Office Bearers for 2008

Today 4th November, 11 am In the Worship Centre

Copies of the Agenda along with supporting paperwork are available today from the entrance table.

Your attendance and participation at this meeting is encouraged.

The Salt Factory

Tonight: 6.30 pm service. Come from 5.45 pm onwards for food (gold coin donation) and drinks (\$1 cans)



This great family, fun day will start at Midday following 9.30 am worship at GGLF. Lots of events, ice creams, lollies and drinks. Hope to see lots of people there.

LADIES BREAKFAST

SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 8.00 AM

Bacon & eggs breakfast. Cost \$5.00/person

Guest speaker: Our own Jacqui Schutz Topic: "Family Health"

Come along ladies and hear it from an expert.

Crèche will be provided.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Will be available throughout October & November from either Jenny Canavese or Nadia Napier. Proceeds to Asia Focus - for Myanmar.

Pastor Leon's Message

is available in printed copy form each week immediately after the service from the entrance table or ask one of the ushers. Please feel welcome to take a copy home. Internet access to weekly GGLF bulletin, Pastor Leon's message, Life in the Vine, GGLF draft constitution and other info. You can get to it by going to <u>www.gglf.org.au</u> and then clicking 'Click here to access gglf files'.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Forum - www.gglf.org.au/youth/forum

<u>**REV320**</u> (yrs 7-9) Bring \$4 Friday 16th November— 7-10 pm



<u>'CC' - Children of Christ</u> (Yrs 3-6)

Next Friday 9th November, 6.30-8.00 pm

Treasure Trail

Wear your walking shoes and let's see what we can find nearby. And a bonus treat for supper. (Extra adult help would really be appreciated for this

please.)



ANNUAL PRESENTATION NIGHT

Saturday 17th November

7.00 pm in Worship Centre

This is a fun night and a great recap of what has happened during 2007

BYO drinks & nibbles

Open to everyone to come along

Enquiries to Zimmo (8289 1212) or Graeme Hoklas (8289 6803)

Friends of Lutheran Archives - Sun 4 November, at 2.30pm

Book Launch - Reminiscences: Eric von Schramek and his churches

At North Adelaide Lutheran Church, 139 Archer St, North Adelaide

Sir Eric von Schramek tells the story of his life and his involvement in church architecture. He was a pioneer in modern church design, designing 36 Lutheran churches in Australia.

Books will be available for a special launch price of \$30 (normally \$38).



WHEN FREDDO FROGS MEET

When we share with people in real need, they will see what's in our hearts. They'll see that God is with us – and with them.

A WALK IN THEIR SHOES

There is no better teacher than first-hand experience – which is just what 18 Lutheran educators got when they visited the Bhutanese refugee camps of Nepal

YOU'RE PART OF THIS

Through our weekly offerings, every one of us is contributing to the work of God among our sisters and brothers in Malaysia and Singapore. Read

about the exciting ways this is happening in our partner churches in these countries.

LEARNING NEVER ENDS

Did you know that there are opportunities for formal and informal study at Lutheran training institutions in Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne and New Zealand? There are all sorts of courses in all sorts of flexible packages for all sorts of people.

DUE IN YOUR MAILBOX: 12 November

11 issues per year; \$34. See Judith Whaites if you wish to subscribe, or call LCA Subscriptions **08** 8360 7270,



MISSING FROM KITCHEN

Many of the white mugs are missing from our kitchen. Originally 100 mugs were purchased and at the moment only 30 are left in the kitchen.

Has anyone borrowed a quantity or can someone account for some of them?

Please contact Judith in the Church Office if you can help.

Christmas Seminars in Primary Schools

From Monday 26th November to Friday 7th Dec, we will be taking teams into local primary schools again to share the Christmas story in a fun creative 50 minute programme. Last year we went into 12 local schools and were able to share with over 2100 children!

This is an amazing opportunity of open doors God has provided. If you have any people in your church who

- enjoy being with children and relate well to them
- are free one or more days during the 2 weeks
- have a heart to see children hear the gospel
- have a good happy attitude

We would love to have them on our team. They can contact Maxine Mostert on 8397 9400 or at <u>maxi-</u> <u>nem@clovercrest.com.au</u> or Rosemary Mack on 8288 1758. We will provide everything they need, they only need to be available!

Christmas Tree Festival St John's Lutheran Church, TTG

A meeting will be held on Thursday 8th November, 12 noon at St John's to determine other congregational involvement in this event and its future in 2008. If anyone from GGLF is interested in attending this meeting an invitation is extended from St John's.



Fresh Christmas Trees

It's time to think of Christmas and the purchase of a fresh Christmas tree to decorate.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church at Birdwood are offering high quality trees at

\$25 each. Their supplies are quite limited this year so it will be vital to get your order in early. Please see Judith to place your order.

Trees will be delivered on Saturday 15th December 2007.

GIGANTIC Garage Sale

Saturday 17th November 2007

at Pedare Christian College Car Park Surrey Farm Drive, Golden Grove

8.30 am—2.00 pm

Contact Ken on 0400 892 232 for enquiries and collection of goods

Remember to keep collecting your used postage stamps for STAMPS FOR MISSIONS. Box in Foyer.

Prayer Opportunities

A prayer box is available in the Church entrance for prayer requests (either private or public) on Sundays. If anyone has a prayer request we encourage you to fill out a prayer request form and place it in the right hand side of the box.

Prayer Chain: Means a lot of people praying about an urgent or special need. For urgent prayer requests during the week you are invited to contact one of following people and the prayer chain will be set in progress. (Chris Hahn, Jan Wegener, Pastor Len & Claire Tscharke, Catherina & Wim Belgraver, Anne Hanton, Joan Hochwald, Tanya Wilson, Judith Whaites.) All requests will be kept confidential.

The prayer chain is available for everyone in both the church and school communities. Likewise if anybody feels they would like to be a part of the prayer chain we'd love you to join us.

Video Ministry

Each service is video taped, with copies available immediately after each service. Please see the library to loan a copy. Even if you can't make it to the service, you can still participate in worship.

Meals Ministry

(A practical way we can share & show God's love) Families rostered to support Meals Ministry in November are: Heinrich, Shillabeer. When donating meals for the freezer we ask that you please attach some details to the container, eg name of the meal, date meal was prepared, a list of main ingredients, and heating instructions. Thank you.

GGLF Attendance & Offerings

(Offerings do not include electronic giving amount of \$8377 per month from 36 contributors.)

Attendance Offerings Sunday 21/10 9.30 am \$753.15 130 \$ 96.00 6.30 pm 57



Don't forget the Library is open for browsing and borrowing

Christian greeting cards always for sale from the Mobile Unit in the Fellowship Centre —Cost \$2



IT'S BACK The Aust Christian Diary 2008

- Now only \$7.95
- Rich blue laminate cover
- Bible reading for each day
- Week to an opening •
- Monthly planner

If you wish to place an order for one of these diaries please let Judith know.

"The Golden Compass": a movie to AVOID with the kids.

There will be a new children's movie out in December called "The Golden Compass". The movie has been described as "atheism for kids" and is based on the first book of a trilogy entitled "His Dark Materials" that was written by Phillip Pullman. Pullman is a militant atheist and secular humanist who despises C. S. Lewis and the "Chronicles of Narnia". His motivation for writing this trilogy was specifically to counteract Lewis' symbolisms of Christ that are portrayed in the Narnia series.

Clearly, Pullman's main objective is to bash Christianity and promote atheism. Pullman left little doubt about his intentions when he said in a 2003 interview that "my books are about killing God." He has even stated that he wants to "kill God in the minds of children". It has been said of Pullman that he is "the writer the atheists would be praying for, if atheists prayed." While "The Golden Compass" movie itself may seem mild and innocent, the books are a much different story. In the trilogy, a young streetwise girl becomes enmeshed in an epic struggle to ultimately defeat the oppressive forces of a senile God. Another character, an ex-nun, describes Christianity as "a very powerful and convincing mistake." In the final book, characters representing Adam and Eve eventually kill God, who at times is called YAHWEH. Each book in the trilogy gets progressively worse regarding Pullman's hatred of Jesus Christ.

"The Golden Compass" is set to premier on December 7, during the Christmas season (and staring Nicole Kidman), and will probably be heavily advertised. Promoters hope that unsuspecting parents will take their children to see the movie, that they will enjoy the movie, and that the children will want the books for Christmas.

For more information: http://www.snopes.com/politics/religion/ compass.asp

POSITIONS VACANT

ALWS Program Manager **Executive Assistant to Director for Lay Ministry** Lay Chaplain, St Martin's Lutheran College, Mt Gambier Pastoral Assistant, Child & Family Ministry, St Paul's Box Hill, Vic Executive Director, Lutheran Community Care, Adelaide

Please refer to noticeboard for further details on the above positions

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