#### GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP

Jesus said, "I am the vine, You are the branches." John 15.5

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

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## 11th November 2007—24th 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**

#### A real shake up

Haggai 2:7 "I will shake all the nations, and the treasures of the nations, and the treasures of all the nations will come to this temple. I will fill this place with glory, says the Lord Almighty."

The prophet Haggai is responding to the people feeling somewhat despondent about the present temple (Haggai 2:3) for they were comparing it to grand temple that Solomon had built. They needed to take courage for two reasons: "for I am with you, says the Lord Almighty. My spirit remains among you just as I promised..." (verses 4b,5a) and that there will be a real shake up (verses 6,7). This shake up will happen in the last days. It is then that the temple will be filled with God's glory...and there will be peace.

The last days are taken up by Paul in his letter to the Thessalonians, the second reading (2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17). I shall preach on this passage in 2 weeks time.

One other comment in regard to the last times: Jesus says in the Gospel reading "And they (us) will never die again. In these respects they are like angels. They are children of God raised up to new life." (Luke 20:36) Some have deduced from this that we will become angels when we die. It does not say that. We will have some features of angels but, as we have been learning at School this past week as we have been concentrating on Christmas angels, we will become greater than angels. (See Hebrews 1:14, 1 Corinthians 6:3.)

So, can't you look forward to this shake up, especially if you are disappointed with some aspects of life? In the meantime we take courage that God is with us and we get glimpses of His glory in worship. We can also muse what heaven is going to be like with the angels, our loved ones, but most importantly with Jesus himself.

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, come to give us a good shake up to show your glory. Please give us courage for what we are facing. Yes Lord, open our eyes and minds that we may have an insight and a deeper understanding of the last days and the future glory awaiting us.

Amen.

Pastor Leon



Readings for today Haggai 1:15—2:9 2 Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38

Readings for 18th Nov Isaiah 65:17-25 2 Thess. 3: 6-13 Luke 21: 5-19

#### **Worship Opportunities**

Today 11th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Special family service with HC Salt Factory worship	
Friday 16th Nov	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club	
Sunday 18th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC	
Friday 23rd 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 atappropriate times when they are able. This is best done by leading by example!

For our 'little ones' - 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



- Welcome to our worship. I am sorry to hear that our church/ school picnic that was planned for today has had to be cancelled. I hope you were planning to come. Sorry if you turned up to the Park and only then you discovered it wasn't on. Plan to come next year. I understand it is planned for April 2008. I am preaching on Praise God in and with creation. (I should be preaching on we plan but God decides.)
- It is **Nirelle Turner's** Baptism this morning. Welcome Nirelle into our church family.
- Congratulations to Joshua Marcus who was baptized at our Friday morning service (9/11/07) Josh is a student at our school in SCM (year 6)
- It is also **Remembrance Day.** I expect we shall be finished worship by 11am but please don't forget to observe the minute's silence wherever you are. It is appropriate to use that time to pray for peace.
- Next week we have another **3 Baptisms** in the morning service. I hope you can make it.
- Next weekend is also the **Operation Hahn confirmation camp**. Please pray for Ray Schillabeer and the other helpers who are leading these young people into the wilds.
- I promised when I was presenting **the confirmees** to you last Sunday that I would list their names for your prayers: Darian Abraham, Lachlan Ahrens, Caitlin Andrejic, Matthew Christensen, Madalene DeVizio, Nicole Fielke, Brodie Jachmann-Evans, Crystal Luke, James Norrey, Chris Rutter, Mark Schmocker, Jessica and Daniel Ward. Today in confirmation 5 of the young people are presenting the first 3 commandments.
- Next week has been designated as the international day of prayer for the persecuted church. I encourage you to use their website http://www.idop.org/prayerrequests.html especially for PRAYER REQUESTS.
- Next week I want to take up an issue that has come to my attention, that of a lack of passion. The theme I shall be preaching on is "How to inflame your passion".
- It has been brought to my attention that one can't get on our **web site** using the <a href="www.gglf.org.au">www.gglf.org.au</a> as we have indicated in the Bulletin. (Although when I tried it I could) To get to our website and the sermon and Bulletin prior to Sunday (the Sermon is usually posted there on Wednesday and the Bulletin on Friday) you can go via the School webpage, ie. <a href="http://www.goldengrove.sa.edu.au/">http://www.goldengrove.sa.edu.au/</a> Then "Links", then "supporting congregations", then "Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship", then "GGLF Files", then "Bulletins" for the Bulletin or "messages" for the sermon. You will notice that it says "Our new website is on the way". Is there anyone who would like to do one for us? Please see me.
- Please pray for the 2 young people who are doing a Step Up to Communion course at school because they missed out on the one in September/October. Their first Communion is planned for 25<sup>th</sup> November at the 9.30am service.
- Again please pray for a new **Youth Worker.** The team looking at this have come up with a revised job description, the meeting last Sunday agreed that his/hers hours would be extended to 30 hours per week. The Team is having a meeting on Thursday to talk this through with James Doecke.. You are welcome to join us.
- Ministry Team meeting postponed for a couple of weeks, but Management Team meets this week.
- 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** 



#### **CHURCH / SCHOOL PICNIC**

We regret that it has been necessary to postpone the picnic planned for today until a later date next year. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

**Picnic Planning Committee** 



# Baptism

Joining God's family & GGLF through the gift of Holy Baptism is

#### Nirelle Lillian Turner

We are delighted to share in the celebration of this special occasion with Nirelle's parents Shane & Melissa, her sponsors, Erin & Cameron Hazzard and Michelle & David Bartel, together with other family and friends here with us today.

We pray Nirelle may continue to grow in the love & strength of God



Baptism, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

#### The Salt Factory

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

#### **MEN'S MINISTRY**

#### 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.

Enquiries to Ken Campbell: 0421 428 555 or 8265 3106

Please RSVP to Judith or Elaine in Admin office
if attending.

#### **MUSICAL EVENING**

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#### SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 7-10 PM

In the Worship Centre

A family evening with a variety of DVD music

Gold coin donation to raise funds for Asaroka

#### 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 <a href="www.gglf.org.au">www.gglf.org.au</a> and then clicking 'Click here to access gglf files'.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

**Youth Forum** – www.gglf.org.au/youth/forum

REV320 (yrs 7-9) Bring \$4 Friday 16th November— 7-10 pm Record Breaking Night



# Golden Grove Amateur Fishing 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)



#### **ROSE CLUB Spring Rose Competition**

Congratulations to all the students involved in the Rose Club. They were awarded Champion potted rose and Champion yellow rose as well as five first prizes, 5 second prizes

and 6 third prizes.

This year the students each had the opportunity to grow their own miniature rose and show it. They were surprised by the development from a twig to a flowering bush in a short time.

Well done to you all.



#### 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 Sat15th December 2007.



## WHEN FREDDO FROGS MEET IMMANUEL

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.

# **Lutheran Community Care Christmas Hamper Appeal**

Please help LCC provide Christmas hampers to families in need this Christmas.

Your monetary donation can be placed in an envelope marked LCC Christmas Hamper Appeal and placed in the offering plate OR donations of canned/packaged foods can be left in the baskets in our Church Foyer. A list of suggested food items is also on display.

#### Ingle Farm Hub—Lutheran Community Care

Are you spring cleaning, and looking for somewhere to donate good, clean children's clothes? The Ingle Farm Hub welcomes donations of children's and infants clothes, children's and infants bedding, and baby furniture in clean and good condition. Please contact Allyson Dutschke 0407 392 256, or Ingle Farm Hub 8349 6099.

#### **Christmas Seminars in Primary Schools**

From Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="maxi-nem@clovercrest.com.au">maxi-nem@clovercrest.com.au</a> or Rosemary Mack on 8288 1758. We will provide everything they need, they only need to be available!

#### **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

#### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Will be available throughout October & November from either Jenny Canavese or Nadia Napier.

Proceeds to Asia Focus - for Myanmar.

#### **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 wor-

#### 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 4/11	9.30 am	84	\$465.40	
-	6.30 pm	1	\$171.65	



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

#### \*\*\*\* BIRTHDAY \*\*\* **GREETINGS** ★ Today 11 Nov Pastor Leon Mon 12 Nov Charlotte Wilson ★ Wed ★ Sat ★ W 14 Nov Heidi Rosenbera 17 Nov Tim Wachtel We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace \*\*\*\*



#### 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: <a href="http://www.snopes.com/politics/religion/compass.asp">http://www.snopes.com/politics/religion/compass.asp</a>

#### Why the Old Testament still matters

You are invited to come and hear renowned Old Testament scholar, Rev Dr Terry Fretheim, Luther Seminary, St Paul, Minnesota, address issues of pressing concern to all serious students of the Bible. In a lecture titled 'God created the world good, not perfect', Prof Fretheim will speak about a God who shares the task of creation with others and get us to reflect on creation in terms of community and the Christian calling; in room S1 at Adelaide College of Divinity, 34 Lipsett Tce, Brooklyn Park, on Tuesday 20 November, 7.30–9.30 pm. On the following day (Wed, 21 Nov, 11.15 am-1.00 pm) in lecture room 3, at Australian Lutheran College, 104 Jeffcott Street, North Adelaide, Fretheim will speak about the importance of Old Testament laws for Christian faith and life. Enquiries: Ms Janise Fournier, 8267 7400. See noticeboard for flyer and further details.

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