### 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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### 17th February 2008—2nd Sunday in Lent

### 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**

### Love

**John 3:16-17** For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Eternal life with Christ...sounds so good! Many people have a false idea that eternal life with Christ is not a simple thing. No one ever lives up to all of the 10 commandments. I know that I don't. Even if I had an entire page to fill I couldn't tell you all the commandments that I have broken today. But that does not mean that I will not have eternal life. God **loves** us so much, even when we disobey the commandments, that he gave us his only Son so that whoever **believes** will have eternal life. This means that everyone who believes in God as their one and only savior will have eternal life. And hopefully because we believe we will also strive to do God's will.

Who knows a love greater than this? That he gave us his son. Nothing on this earth could compare to the love of God. And likewise nothing on this world can save us. It is only through Jesus that we are able to be saved

**Prayer:** Lord, thank you that you sent you Son to save us. I pray that we are able to always remember that he is our only way to eternal life with you. Help us to never forget you love. Amen. **Alyssa Wurst** 



Readings for today Genesis 12:1-4 Romans 4:1-5, 13, 17

John 3:1-17 Readings for 24th Feb

Exodus 17:1-7 Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

### Worship Opportunities

		Contemporary Service Salt Factory worship with HC	
Friday 22nd Feb	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club	
Sunday 24th Feb	4th Feb 9.30 am Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship		
Friday 29th Feb 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



- How do you respond to those in authority? Today we are continuing our sermon series on "Lord, teach us how to live". We'll be looking at the fourth commandment: "Honour your father and your mother." Many of the problems we have these days are because of rebellion and because we don't know what good leadership really is. We'll look at these issues this morning. This Sunday morning will again feature a testimony from one of our members.
- Fellowship Group Leaders Team meeting this morning 11-12noon.
- We are continuing our "tour of churches" in confirmation today to discover the answer to the question: What is the Church?
- At Salt Factory tonight we are celebrating Tyson Calley's baptism. Through the gift of Baptism God is giving Tyson that close Father/ son relationship, the promise that He will be with him always and the assurance of heaven. No wonder we are celebrating. Continue to pray for Tyson that he may grow to appreciate his Baptism more and more.
- Our short course: What DO you believe? starts this week. Remember what I have said about it: we'll be looking at the Bible, prayer, worship and the Christian life (serving, giving and witnessing); run on Thursday evenings in February (21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>) and March (6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>) from 7.30pm to 9pm; as well as during the day (1.30pm-3pm). There will be a creche; no anticipated cringe factor; a lot of opportunity for open discussion; a great opportunity to invite a non church going friend and get back to basics.
- Faith Incubators feature at youth and children conference this coming Saturday (23/2/08, 8.45-4pm) at Mawson Lakes.
- I believe it is important to grow as Christians. I have told you about many opportunities since I have arrived. Here is another one for leaders and I am very excited about it. MICHAEL FOSS of "Power Surge" claim (in our library) is coming to Adelaide. The Conference is called "Get Real" and it's on 18, 19 April. See brochures and poster. It's advertised as giving hope, inspiration skills and freedom. The book has been revolutionary for many people, why not borrow it.

**Pastor Leon** 

### **Salt Factory Worship**

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



# Baptism

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

### Tyson Luke Calley

We are delighted to share in the celebration of this special occasion with Tyson, together with his family, sponsors and friends here with us today.

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



### DON'T FORGET

SMALL GROUP LEADERS MEETING, TODAY 11am—12 pm in Fellowship Centre Bring ideas for names of your small groups and other fellowship group ideas

Jon & Leanne Schiller—Small Group
Co-ordinators



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

Commences next Friday 22nd February, 6.30-8.00 pm

### **Summer Fun Night**

Meet at the Fellowship Centre for an evening of fun down on the oval.



# Golden Grove Amateur Fishing CRABBING AT WEBB BEACH Next Saturday Feb 23

Meet at Webb Beach at 10.00am. Maps available from Graeme Hoklas or Zimmo. BYO chairs, lunch, drinks, hats, sunscreen, old shoes, crabbing rakes and tubs.

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

### Pastor Leon's Message

is available in printed copy form each week immediately after the service from the Fellowship Centre. Please feel welcome to take a copy home. Internet access to weekly GGLF bulletin, Pastor Leon's message, Life in the Vine, rosters and other info. You can get to it by going to www.gglf.org.au and then clicking Files.

## RECONCILIATION AND THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA (LCA)

On 13 February 2008 Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, with bipartisan support, offered a welcome apology in the spirit of reconciliation which has the support of the Lutheran Church of Australia. He spoke of building a 'future based on mutual respect, mutual resolve and mutual responsibility', before moving on to practical matters of providing equal opportunity in health and housing, education and employment, in his apology to Aboriginal people.

We have more than 130 years experience of working in partnership with Aboriginal people. While there have been both testing times and good times, throughout all these years our Aboriginal sisters and brothers have grown in their faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Especially we thank God for the continuing ministry by the faithful pastors, teachers, evangelists and laity among the Aboriginal people.

What does it mean for the LCA 'to be reconciled'? The word implies correcting a mistake and seeking a new harmony. The year 2000 was an important one, with our General Synod including a Rite of Reconciliation. In this rite our LCA President (Dr Lance Steicke) asked forgiveness for the wrongs we have done and for the help we have failed to give our indigenous brothers and sisters. Indigenous Pastor George Rosendale, from Hopevale QLD, and the President then shared the peace with each other. The Aboriginal leaders present read from their Arrarnta bible that anyone who has been joined to Christ has been made a new person. "Since all of us, both black and white, are today members of God's family, it is up to us to work together. We should move forward."

In 2002 there was a similar Rite, an admission of our short-coming, at the LCA Far North Queensland District Aboriginal Mission, where our President (Dr Mike Semmler) was welcomed by the Thithirr people, who accepted the apology for long-ago LCA practices that failed them.

We believe that where wrongs have been done, while the perpetrator can seek to be reconciled, it is only the victim who has the power to forgive. As Christians we have a special understanding of reconciliation, in that our God sent his Son Jesus to reconcile our world to Himself, forgiving our sins and entrusting that message of reconciliation to us.

Most of us today can have no idea what it would be like to be separated from our family and forced to confront a foreign culture. Some people argue that many children were rescued rather than stolen. Lowitja O'Donoghue comments – "From the point of view of Aboriginal parents, stolen describes precisely what happened. My own mother would have had no legal recourse, no moral support and no understanding that she might never see her children again. And no assurance that her children would all be together. From her point of view, of course we were stolen and her life destroyed."

As a Church we hope this Government apology will promote a process to improve the well-being of our Aboriginal sisters and brothers. The LCA wishes to continue to walk with the Aboriginal people in this long-term task. We are mindful of the need to involve the Aboriginal peoples equitably in planning to meet their distinctive needs, many of which are largely unmet.

Rev Dr Mike Semmler, President LCA

### **Working Bee**

We are having a working bee on **Saturday 1st March** from **8.30 am at the church**. We are wanting to get several tasks done including the following:

Clean all windows in Church plant

Paint wall in Fellowship Centre by courtyard & other small tidy ups.

General garden & carpark tidy-up.

Re-secure railing on wheelchair ramp.

Several other small tasks.

Can people please come armed with window cleaning gear, small ladders etc.

More that come, quicker it will be done. Shouldn't take long.

Thanks, Daniel Dutschke



### **Calling for Easter Help**

We are looking for someone / or small group of people with a heart for Worship, to decorate stage or provide a visual focus for Easter Sunday (theme Caring for the

Community in the context of the resurrection). Please see Margey Knapp if this is something that you or your small group would be willing to undertake.

### Wild at Heart

A camp for men - Friday evening 28th March to Sunday afternoon 30th March 2008 at Glenhaven, Stockport

The men and friends of the Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship community are invited to attend a weekend camp titled "Real Aussie Men - Wild, Courageous and Free".

Registration forms are available in Church foyer. For further information please contact Wayne Evans (ph 8396 0083) or John Fielke (ph 8265 4950)

### WILD AT HEART 28-30/3/08 Glen Haven Park, Stockport

I firmly endorse this ministry. It's about facing your fears, living the adventure, fighting the battle, winning the beauty... We ran a few of these "life changing" experiences in my last parish and those who went to them gained so, so much. Please take one of flyers in the foyer. This is the camp that John and Wayne have been promoting. Men, please plan to go.

Pastor Leon.

### **Invigorate Children's Ministry Training Day**

Endeavour College, (The Boulevard, Mawson Lakes enter via Main North Road)

Saturday February 23, 8:45am-4pm

A great day and great start for 2008 for anyone involved in Children and Family Ministry; Keynote focus on Faith Inkubators, Displays, Resources, Electives, Networking, Support and Encouragement! Get your registration today!

See noticeboard for further details

### **Prayer Opportunities**

<u>A prayer box</u> 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
February are: Schiller, Tilley & J Lawrence.
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 \$9327 per month from 38 contributors.)

		Attendance	Offerings
Sunday 10/2	9.30 am	103	\$367.10
	6.30 pm	98	\$150.30



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

# Mon 18 Feb Wayne Evans Tues 19 Feb Darian Abraham Lisa Rosenberg Wed 20 Feb Phil Hiscock We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace

### **GGLF EASTER SERVICE WORSHIP TIMES**

20th March Maundy Thursday 7.00 pm Worship with HC 21st March Good Friday 9.30 am Worship

23rd March Easter Sunday 6.00 am Dawn Service at Schmocker's block followed by Hot Cross buns

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9.30 am Worship with HC at GGLF

Please note there will be NO Salt Factory service on Easter Sunday

### Can you help?

A member of our congregation is seeking some home help on a weekly basis (probably 1-2 hrs) for at least the next 12 months. For further details please phone Judith on 8282 6050 (Church office).

### Bible in 90 days -

a program for people who would like to read the Bible from cover to cover. See noticeboard for further details.

Friends of Lutheran Archives meeting - Mon 18 Feb at 7.30 pm Topic: The Hitler Club. Speaker: Gary Gumpl (author of recently-

At Bethlehem House, Sudholz Pl, Adelaide.

published book).

The intriguing story of Dr Becker and the Nazi Party in SA. How was the Lutheran church connected? Supper. Gold coin donation.

### 2008 Lutheran Singles Easter Camp

When: 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>March

Where: at GlenHaven Park, Stock port South Australia.

<u>Cost:</u> \$250. Please make cheques payable to "Aust. Plus 20's Easter Camp"

Send your completed registration form and money with a self addressed, stamped business size envelope to:

N Klitscher 10 Buik St, Bordertown

SA 5268

Registrations close on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> February - \$15 late fee applies.

### **POSITIONS VACANT**

Office Administrator at St Stephen's Lutheran Church Office, Wakefield Street, Adelaide. 20 hours/week 9.30am to 2.30pm – Tues to Fri. Work specifications on application to Denis, phone 8337 5150 or email gregko@primus.com.au. Applications *close Monday 18 February 2008*.

**Personal Assistant** in the *Lutheran Education Australia* office, Nth Adelaide *Full time position.* For further information and job description available on the LEA website (<a href="www.lutheran.edu.au">www.lutheran.edu.au</a>) and follow the link on the front page. See poster on noticeboard. *Closing date: 26<sup>th</sup> February 2008* 

**Director of Group Ministry**—St Martin's Lutheran Church, Mt Gambier. Full time position. See noticeboard for further details. Applications *close 29th February 2008* 

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