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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4th May 2008—7th Sunday of Easter

WELCOME to all worshipping with us over Easter.

Greetings to any visitors here with us. 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

In John 17 v 1-6 we have Jesus vocalising His last prayer before that famous garden plea. He has taught His disciples all they need to know through stories, parables, explanations, and examples. He has just eaten the Last Supper with them and now they are privy to His final words to His Father before He returns home via the suffering of the cross.

Every word He utters is witnessed by His disciples, the chosen ones who will tell the world of Him. Surely this is the time for the important stuff? No wasted words now, no ambiguity, the time for parables has finished! And here we have it, the truth distilled to its basics, summarised so simply for us. Nestled between two petitions for the Father to glorify His Son, Jesus confirms what Eternal Life is and how we receive it – "Now this is eternal life that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent".

Did you hear that? Simply 'knowing' God and Jesus. This knowledge, given to us, accepted by us, gives Eternal Life. And - it gives Jesus the glory He was asking His Father for!

Let's all glorify Him in our acknowledgment of the Truth, and help others to understand the beautiful simplicity of salvation. Amen.

Margey Knapp



Readings for today **Acts 1: 6-14**

1 Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11 John 17: 1-11

Readings for 11th May Acts 2: 1-21 1 Cor. 12: 3-13

John 20:19-23

Worship Opportunities

Today 4th May	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC	
Friday 9th May	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club	
Sunday 11th May	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship	
Friday 16th May	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!

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 Column

• Today we are continuing to look to the living Lord with the theme: **The Lord in heaven**. The reading is the Ascension Day story, in particular **Acts 1:9-11**: *It was not long after he said this that he was taken up into the sky while they were watching, and he disappeared into a*

cloud. As they were straining their eyes to see him, two whiterobed men suddenly stood there among them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing here staring at the sky? Jesus has been taken away from you into heaven. And someday, just as you saw him go, he will return!"

- It's also the first day of **The week of prayer for Christian unity**. In fact the centenary of this week.
- In many churches, especially in the rural sector it is designated as **Seedtime and Harvest Sunday** and the ongoing drought will be very much in mind.
- **Welcome to** Nathan and Justin Dunn who will baptized today. Nathan is a student at our school, parents: Belinda and Steven.
- God willing Amy Vogt will be taking her Next Step (at her home.)
- Today s our congregation and school's AGM. I hope you are planning to stay for this meeting.
- Over the five weeks I have been presenting what I have seen as the core values at Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship in this column in the Bulletin for your consideration and as something to talk together about. As I said last week: I have chosen to keep it to 5 core values. I have only presented those that are important and somewhat unique to Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship. When we came up with the core values initially, we included: God's inspired Word and the gift of faith, that God wants all people to be saved and that God has gifted every Christian for service but I take these as given for all Churches.

So in summary at Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship we value:

- 1. casual, meaningful worship where people use their gifts.
- 2. our school as an expression of God's love and joy.
- 3. mission as the purpose for our existence.
- 4. fellowship groups for the care that's given to and through its members
- 5. our Youth with their enthusiasm, initiative and boldness.

A question these values raise is what I put to you in a sermon last June (17/6/07) that hasn't yet been answered: How do we make them valuable to us? We never did come up with a set of strategies which was to be the next step after developing the core values.

- This Wednesday is **Next Step/Confirmation 2008/2009 meeting** for young people and their parents/guardians to work out the structure of the course. As I have said previously the thought is that confirmation sessions would start at the beginning of 3rd Term with Alyssa leading the first term.
- No confirmation today because of the Day Camp yesterday.
 In two weeks is the Day of Confirmation :18th May
- This week: Ministry team: Monday, Management Team: Tuesday, Friends of Asaroka steering committee: Thursday, CCs: Friday.
- Next Saturday (10/5/08) is **the National Day of Thanksgiving.** We aren't doing anything as Pray TTG. But why don't you use this opportunity to say thank you to someone in the community for what God is doing through them?
- As you are probably fully aware I will be taking my R & R
 Leave from 19th May to 17th August. Please see my article in the current "Life in the Vine": Are we ready for Pastor's R and R
 Leave?"

Salt Factory Worship

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





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

Nathan Andrew Dunn and Justin Liam Dunn

We are delighted to share in the celebration of this special occasion with Nathan & Justin, together with their parents Steven & Belinda, sponsors and friends here with us today.

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



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



GGLF Annual General Meeting and

GGLPS Annual General Meeting

will be held **Today at 11.00 am** in the Worship Centre

Copies of the GGLF Agenda and Book of Reports are available today from the entrance table.

The distribution pack for the School AGM is also available today. A copy of the full financial report is available for perusal from the table in the Church Foyer and is also available on the school website.



Golden Grove Amateur Fishing WAITPINGA SURF FISHING TRIP Saturday 10th May 2008

Meet in the Waitpinga Beach carpark at 11.00 am. Weigh in will be at 5.00 pm

Suggested bait: cockles, red meat, pilchards & berley.

Toilets are close by.

Please note this is surf fishing—you may get wet.

We usually have a meal back at Victor Harbor after wards for those who can stay.

Maps available from Zimmo (8289 1212) or Graeme Hoklas (8289 6803) if required.

Pastor Leon's Message

is available in printed copy form immediately after the service from the Fellowship Centre . Please feel welcome to take a copy home.

Internet access to weekly GGLF bulletin, today'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.

YOUTH SPOT

Thank you to everyone who helped out with transport for the Youth Alive night. It was a good night and we had about 18 youth attend.

Coming up:

CC's is on again Friday 9th May. For anyone in years 3 to 6, starting at 6:30pm and finishing at 8pm. Come along for

Bakery is also on this Friday night. This is for people in year 10 /to about the age of 20. So come along for a relaxed evening. Starts at 6 and finishes at 9pm. Please meet in the worship centre.

Leaders Retreat is on Saturday 24th – Sunday 25th May. It looks like it will only cost around \$20 if we get about 20 people going. So I am still at this stage just wanting to know who is interested in going. It will be a valuable time where the leaders can get together and share ideas and just relax. We are also privileged enough to have people coming along at different times. So I hope to see you there.

Step Up to Communion: We will be running a step up class near the end of May for anyone who is in year 5 or around that age. This is a chance for the students to learn more about why we have communion. The day of their first communion will be the 22nd June. If you would like more information please see either Anna Watson or myself.

> We are looking for more people to put on the roster for Salt Factory services also. So if you would like to help out in any way for these services that would be wonderful! 😊

> > Alyssa

A Prayer Retreat co-facilitated by

Pauline Simonsen & Jacquie Paech

Saturday 10th May 2008

Para Vista Lutheran Church 388 Montague Road Para Vista

Come along and be refreshed... This event is open to all who would like to take some "down time" and receive, particularly in the area of prayer and intimacy with God.

TO REGISTER:

It would be helpful for planning purposes have an idea of numbers attending. Please inform us of your intention to attend by Thursday May 8th 2008.

Contact Jacquie Paech -(H) 8251 3333 (Mb) 0421 084 728 Email: mjpaech@optusnet.com.



Sew Each Week \mathbf{W} orking \mathbf{H} eirlooms \mathbf{A} nd \mathbf{T} reasure

Wednesday 7th May, 7.30pm - 9.30pm

at Julie Hahn's home, 21 Wedgewood Road, Modbury Heights (8265 6314)

Come along and enjoy an evening of stitching and fellowship. Bring your own light/lamp if needed.

For more information contact: Judi Doecke (Coord) 8263 1039, Alison Ahrens or Anna Watson

ROSTERS

The worship service rosters for the period June—August are available from your pigeon holes. Please check for when you are rostered and if you need to make any swaps please record those swaps on the master copy in the foyer next to the door. Thanks! Anna Watson

MEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies Breakfast

Saturday 17th May, 8.00—10.00 am in the Fellowship Centre

Yes ladies we have arranged for our own Louise Sumner

Guest Speaker. Her topic is "Life in the Army Reserve".

Breakfast will be bacon & eggs, cereal, toast, fruit, spreads, cream, tea, coffee & orange juice.

Cost \$6.00 per head. (We'll feed the kids for free.)

A crèche will be available so that Mum can relax and enjoy the morning.

Please book with either Judith (Church) or Elaine (School) if you are attending to facilitate catering.

Enquiries to Ken Campbell: 0421 428 555 or 8265 3106

WOMEN'S RETREAT Friday May 30th - Sunday June 1st

It's getting closer! ~ Are you ready?

Let Sue Haill, Dawn Rutter or Anna Watson know of your intentions to come ASAP please, by completing the tear-off slip. Thank you.

2008 Women's Retreat						
Name						
Please book me in for the 2008 Women's Retreat May 30 th – June 1 st						
Payment enclosed:		\$30 non-refundable deposit by May 9 th please				
		\$60 full payment by May 23 rd please				

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 May are: Friedrich, Hahn & Kloeden.

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 \$9217 per month from 36 contributors.)

		Attendance	Offerings	
Sunday 27/4	9.30 am	86	\$494.00	
	6.30 pm	48	\$122.00	



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



Lutheran Community Care's Refugee Services extends an invitation to attend:

An Information Session for People Volunteering and Working with New Arrivals from a Refugee Background

Tuesday 6th May 2008 7 pm - 9pm Bethlehem House. 170 Flinders St, Adelaide Topics will include:

The Refugee Experience Volunteering Post Traumatic Stress (Presented by STTARS)

Building Relationships with New Arrivals

Lutheran Community Care's New Arrivals volunteering opportunities

For registration contact Sarah Homan, shoman@lccsa.org.au or phone reception 8269 9300 Bookings are essential

Expressions of interest for the Hermannsburg Store, NT

Exciting opportunities are being created since the Federal Government Intervention on the aboriginal community of Hermannsburg

Finke River Mission operates a store and expressions of interest are sought from people, young or older, who have a heart for

LSF Reunion

You are invited to be part of this year's LSF reunion for anyone who would like to reconnect with people from their tertiary student years. It will be held on Saturday evening May 10th at Fellini's (102 O'Connell St, North Adelaide).

Rev Dr Mark Worthing is the after dinner speaker and Stephen van der Hoek and Julian Pietsch will provide the music. You can obtain the tickets at \$25 per person from Julian Pietsch (0431 071 265 or julian.pietsch@gmail.com).

Friends of Lutheran Archives History Week events

Sat 17 May, 2pm Langmeil Tanunda Cemetery walk.

Tuesday 20 May, 7.30 pm Talk: Constable Willshire of the Native Police (covers Central Australia in 1880s and 1890s, including Hermannsburg Mission) Speakers: Rob Foster & Amanda Nettelbeck (authors of book, In the Name of the Law) Where?: Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place, Adelaide. Supper. Gold coin donation.

Wed 21 May, 11 am Open Day at Lutheran Archives, 27 Fourth St Bowden, with new display Home at the Manse.

Sat 24 May, 11 am Open Day at Lutheran Archives

working as store assistant/book keeper, maintenance/driver, mentor/trainer. An ideal opportunity for a couple, accommodation provided. Longer term would be great.

Single person (male or female) job opportunities are also possible. It really is an interesting, progressive and positive place at which to work, learn aboriginal culture, and to have influence to make a difference in this

Please contact Selwyn Kloeden 08 8956 7428 or email frmstore@bigpond.com for more information regarding opportunities and conditions.

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