# 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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# 18th May 2008— TRINITY

# WELCOME to all worshipping with us today.

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**

### More Blessed To Give Than To Receive?

Matt 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Did you ever have your father say to you as a child, 'Don't worry, if they ask you just tell that your Dad said it would be OK'? What a privilege to have the authority of your father, to be able to act, knowing that He is backing you up. What a blessing to be able to approach the situation feeling relaxed and confident. Today we are looking at how God prepares us to be blessed. The Gospel for today is called the Great Commission, but I wonder if we can also see it as the 'Great Blessing'. Here God not only gives us his authority to witness and his promise that he will always back us up, but he also uses us to extend his blessing to others. Yes we need to be prepared to receive God's blessings for our own lives but we also need to be alert to how God is preparing us to be a blessing to other people. As our heart is moved to that 'servant place' through the power of the Holy Spirit may the 'Great Blessing' be the blessing we are prepared not only to receive but also to give.

**Michael Gower** 



Readings for today Genesis 1:1—2:4 2 Cor. 13:11-13 Matt. 28:16-20

Readings for 25th May Isaiah 49: 8-16 1 Cor. 4: 1-5 Matt. 6:24-34

### **Worship Opportunities**

Today 18th May	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship with HC		
Friday 23rd May	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club		
Sunday 1st June	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC		
Friday 30th 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 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 Column

- A special welcome to all those who have come for the **Confirmation today**. Please pick up a copy of the confirmees' "I believe" statements. A few of the confirmees may read theirs out in the ser vice this morning. Although the confirmees will confirm: strengthen their baptsimal vows by making it their own, the emphasis of a confirmation service is what God is doing for the young person: confirming them/ blessing them for the life ahead, so the theme of the address this morning: "Are you prepared to be blessed?" based on 1 Samuel 9, 10.
- Please continue to pray for the young people who are being confirmed today. 4 in the morning service: Caitlin Andrejic, Darian Abraham, Nicole Fielke, Lachlan Ahrens and 8 at Salt Factory: Matthew Christensen, Madalene DeVizio, Brodie Jachmann-Evans, James Norrey, Chris Rutter, Mark Schmocker, Daniel and Jessica Ward. Why not personally congratulate them and when you see them around encourage them and certainly be a good example for them.
- This will be the last Pastor's column for a while. As you are probably fully aware I will be taking my R and R Leave from 19<sup>th</sup> May to 17<sup>th</sup> August. Please see my article in the current "Life in the Vine ": "Are we ready for Pastor's R and R Leave?" for details about my R and R leave and what will be happening while I'm away.
- There are a few exciting programs that are planned on my return: "Reframe your Life" Conference at Enfield Baptist Church, featuring Stephen Arterburn (of Everyman's Battle fame) and Darlene Zschech; "Season of Creation" worship: for the Sunday's of September, the Global Leadership Summit (10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> October) the Retreat (25<sup>th</sup> October) and the "Network" course. I am sure you will hear more about these programs as we get closer to them.
- Speaking of Network. It is a 6 session course on discovering your spiritual gifts. Earlier this year the Ministry team surveyed the congregation on what we would like to do "as an elective". 8 people said they would like to study "spirituality". To cater for this we are running "Network" as well as we are keeping in mind that this course was run with great success several years ago and a few people have asked to have it offered again. This "revised" Network helps people to discover their God-given spiritual gifts, personality style, and ministry passions, connect to specific ministry opportunities where they can make their unique contribution in a meaningful place of service and serve competently within their spiritual gifts, authentically with their personal style, enthusiastically with their ministry passions. The course will be run on the Wednesday evenings in late September and throughout October, starting on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September, at 7.30pm in the Fellowship Centre. Cost \$15. Put it in your diary now.

**Pastor Leon** 

### **Salt Factory Worship**

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

### YOUTH SPOT

Congratulations to all the confirmation students! I pray that you continue to grow in your faith and learn more about Jesus everyday.

Bakery met last Friday and have decided on a list of things to do in this term. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the next Bakery and we will be starting off a bible study that we will continue to look at over the year. So come along! It will be at the church and starts at 6pm, anyone aged 15 to 20 is welcome to come and enjoy the time of fellowship ©

CC's is on again this week. We will be having popcorn and indoor games. It is for anyone in years 3-6, the night starts at 6:30 and will finish at 8. So come along and bring a friend!

Step Up to Communion: We will be running a step up class starting on Friday 30th May for anyone who is in year 5 or has not done this course before. 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 of June. If you would like more information please see either Anna Watson or myself.

Leaders retreat: This has been canceled due to lack of interest. We will be booking it in again near the end of the year.

Alyssa ©

### **ENGAGED**

Matt Swift on the announcement of their engagement last weekend. What wonderful news! May God be with you both during this special time as you make preparations for your future together.

### **NEW APPOINTMENT**

Congratulations to Allen Kupke on his appointment as Chief Executive Officer of LLL to be effective from 1st September 2008. May God grant you wisdom and guidance in your new role.

# Our Sympathy

Thoughts and prayers are extended to Sonya Page & family on the passing of Sonya's mother on 8th May.

We uphold you in prayer and pray God may be your strength and comfort in your time of pain and loss.

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.



You're invited to attend a GGLF Charity Evening full of fun and entertainment

# The **'G'** Dinner Saturday 26th July, 7.00 pm

### Come dressed as something starting with the letter 'G'

3 course meal, BYO drinks, mystery raffle, prizes, guest speaker, coffee & tea provided.

Cost \$30 per person. Organise your table of 8 ...... That Would be "Great".

Proceeds to Schools Ministry Tea Tree Gully & Christian Pastoral Support Workers program

Tickets available from the Admin Office

# CAN YOU HELP? SALVATION ARMY RED SHIELD APPEAL

On Saturday & Sunday 24 & 25 May the Salvation Army will be conducting their annual door knock appeal.

The Greenwith Corps is only a small congregation of predominantly older people and are seeking volunteers to help them collect in the Greenwith area.

Any assistance would be greatly appreciated. If you feel lead to offer your help please contact the minister at Greenwith, Ted Wright on 8289 7330 or 0433 203 221 or email: ted.wright@aus.salvationarmy.org.



### 'CC' - Children of Christ (Yrs 3-6)

### **Supper Donations Needed**

Can you please help with donations of food and drink for CC supper time (eg Cordial **not red**, biscuits, cakes etc.)

See Allyson Dutschke or Alyssa Wurst or donations can be brought into the Admin Office.

Next CC night will be 23rd May.



# Sew Each Week Working Heirlooms And Treasure

Wednesday 21st May, 7.30pm – 9.30pm at Alison Ahrens' home, 47 Yulinda Tce, Gulfview Heights (8395 9118)

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

### NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

The LCA and its schools celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week 18-24 May with the theme *Engage*, *Connect*, *Build*, *Sustain*.

The theme is a reminder of the positive contribution that our schools make to their students, their community, our country and our church. There are 113 early childhood services and schools educating and caring for over 36,000 young Australians on a daily basis. This significant ministry of our church touches the lives of our communities in many ways.

National Lutheran Schools Week is an opportunity to thank God for the gifts that he gives our church through our Lutheran schools, and for us to affirm our schools for what they do. This years' theme also provides a focus for Lutheran Education Australia's goal of reconnecting with Lutheran schools in Papua New Guinea. This reconnecting is in response to a request fro the Bishop of the ELC-PNG and has the full support of the LCA's Board for Mission. For more information and further resources please visit <a href="www.lutheran.edu.au/public/content/">www.lutheran.edu.au/public/content/</a> ViewCategory.aspx?id=167.

At Golden Grove Lutheran each student will be contributing to the 'building' of a visual display in the courtyard. Brick by (paper) brick, the students will be illustrating an aspect of their class discussions regarding Lutheran Schools Week. You are invited to come into the school and view their display and come to Chapel on Friday 23rd May where they will celebrate the blessings received in Worship.



# **WOMEN'S RETREAT**Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> – Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup>

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 <sup>th</sup> – June 1 <sup>st</sup>							
Payment enclosed:		\$30 non-refundable deposit by May 9 <sup>th</sup> please					
		\$60 full payment by May 23 <sup>rd</sup> 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

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Sunday 11/5 9.30 am 6.30 pm



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

\$870.70

\$231.00

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

### **Friends of Lutheran Archives History Week events**

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



# Dinner's on us!

If you like the sound of that, you'll love the new 2008/2009 Entertainment Book!

It's packed with amazing offers at hundreds of local restaurants. So when you order two main courses, you get one of them "on the house". You'll also find hundreds of 25% to 50% off and 2for-1 offers from restaurants, cafes, hotel accommodation, theatres, sports and more. Take them up on their offersorder your Entertainment Book.

They are selling for \$65, a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the books will go towards supporting our mission partnership with Asaroka, PNG.

To order your copy of the Entertainment Book, please see Judith or Elaine in the Admin office or phone Judith on 8282 6050 or email office@gglf.org.au



### **ENDEAVOUR 10th ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER**

### Friday 30th May, 6.30 pm

Book a table of 10 or buy individual tickets for \$40 per head (includes historic DVD and commemorative glass. Bottles of wine, beer & soft drink available for purchase.

Dress: Semi Formal

Contact Endeavour College for tickets 8368 3311.

### **LSF Quiz Night**

The annual LSF Quiz Night will be held on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at ALC (the Sem) from 6:30pm. Everyone invited! \$10 full/\$5 concession. Bookings: Miriam 0422 030 486 saevents@lsf.org.au Always a great night of fun and prizes. (See the noticeboard for further details.)

### **Food for Thought**

### "Human Stem cells--ethically clear or cloudy?"

This issue will be discussed after a presentation by **Dr Chris Hahn** at Food For Thought on Sunday afternoon the 25<sup>th</sup> May, 4.00-6.00 pm at 137 Archer St North Adelaide.

All welcome.

Parking and entry at the rear. Further enquiries to Pastor Mike Pietsch 8370 3615 or 0409 725 573.



Today 18 May Daniel Gordon

Tues 20 May

Debra Page **Emily Wachtel** David Knapp

Wed 21 May Vicki Fitzsimmons Kristy McGuire

> We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace

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