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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24th August 2008— 15th Sunday of Pentecost

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

"Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2

What comfort I get from this verse when my world is surrounded by compromise.

With TV programs that constantly support sex before marriage, abundance of alcohol, scheming to get ahead in life and self serving behaviour, showing my children that such behaviour is not right in God's eyes can prove to be difficult at times when such behaviour seems to be the 'norm' rather than the exception. One way which the children and I have discussed such subjects with some degree of understanding has been to try to look at it from these people's eyes, rather than judging them. As people who don't know and live in God, they are not deliberately setting out to be 'bad' people but rather are ignorant to God's way. These people don't need our judgement but our prayers for the veil of darkness to be lifted and God's truth to be revealed to them.

But what about the 'good' Christian examples around us - the people within our families, our churches, our schools, and sadly ourselves, who we reassure our children they can look up to? It seems even in these safe inner circles divorce, sex before marriage, money before or else, excessive alcohol, are all considered to be acceptable practices.

Then where can we as parents turn? To the place we should have first sought guidance; the only true Christian guide; the only truth – God himself.

PRAYER: Dear Lord, thank you for giving us your Word so that we may seek the truth from you alone and not from others in and of this world, not even ourselves. Please help us to regularly use this powerful source you have given us and to be comforted and guided by your truth. Amen. Kerry Jachmann

Readings for today Isaiah 51: 1– 6 Rom. 12: 1– 8 Matt. 16:13-20 Readings for 31st August Jer. 15:15-21 Rom. 12: 9–21 Matt. 16:21-28	Today 24th August	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship
	Friday 29th August	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by coffee club
	Sunday 31st August	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship—Family service
	Friday 5th September	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by coffee club



Family Friendly Worship

Warshin Opportunities

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 Column

You are free! That's what Paul proclaims in the Bible text we are looking at today: Galatians 5:1, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm then and do not let yourself be burdened again by the yoke of slavery". So, what is this freedom we have like? I reckon it has something to do with confidence, humility and generosity.

Why not use the "Sermon Study Guide" to get deeper into the sermon?

Thank you to all those who have welcomed us back from R and R Leave. Many people have asked me about my Leave. Half the time we were touring: Northern Territory and North Western Australia, then the Hunter Valley (where Sarah and Syzmon now live) and Mt Beauty in the Alpines. We celebrated Lisa and Eduardo's wedding in the middle of the R and R. I attended about a dozen different churches (and learnt something from each of them) and read over 13 books. Yes, it was a good break.

Speaking of these books, I have donated another 5 Christian novels to our church library. They are: "The Dead Whisper On" by T.L. Hines, "Relentless" and "Fearless" by Robin Parrish, "A Skeleton in God's Closet" by Paul Maier, "Crown of Thorns" by Sigmund Bower. I recommend them all. Why not borrow one soon?

While I am on breaks, such as my R and R Leave, when I can be more objective, I tend to come up with resolutions. I came up with 13. One such resolution is to be more available in the afternoons by being out and about. Let me know if you would like me to visit you.

Pastor Leon

ROSTERS

The worship service rosters for the period September—November have recently been distributed via 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 church foyer**. Thanks!

Sew Each Week Working Heirlooms And Treasure Wednesday 27th August, 7.30pm – 9.30pm at Anna Watson's home, 22 Baldwin Crt, Wynn Vale (8296 4365) 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

Salt Factory Worship

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

<u>Please note</u>: Rostered for catering next Sunday 31st Aug— BOB group

Salt Factory Catering

It would be great to have some extra help with Salt Factory catering. If you and/or a friend or a group are interested in helping in this ministry please contact Amanda Shrowder on 72251440.

Member details update

For members info please note new details for Nathan & Amanda Shrowder:

New Address:

New phone number:

10 Tarqua Court Modbury North 5092 7225 1440

YOUTH SPOT

Youth Alive is coming up quite quickly. It is happening on Friday 29th August, and starts at 7:30pm. We will probably have to leave the church at 6:00pm and we will be back by about 11pm. I will confirm this with you closer to the date, if you book a ticket. It costs \$20 and Stella Kart will be playing. If you are interested in coming to this please let me know.

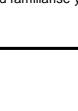
<u>CC's</u> is on this Friday. It will be a craft night. Starting at 6:30pm and finishing at 8pm. If you are in years 3 to 6 please come along and enjoy the night.

Christian Life Week camp (CLW) is coming up also. It will be in the next school holidays. I have information about this, so catch me if you are interested. It is for people in year 8 – 12. There is also information on my office door, so you can check that out.

Thankyou Alyssa 😇

During **Season of Creation** we will be using a different creed for the worship. So that you are able to read this and familiarise yourself with it before the service

please refer to the right





Golden Grove Amateur Fishing Tackle Night at Dorsal Fin Monday 25th August, **6.45 pm**

There will be a squid cleaning demonstration, snapper cutlet preparation, knife sharpening and **BIG discounts** on fishing gear.

Bring your special knives for sharpening.

Canoe or boat needed

If you or someone you know has a canoe, kayak or small boat that can be borrowed for



Creation Sunday 28th September can you please contact the Church Office and let Judith Whaites know (phone 8282 6050).

Thank you

Fan Heaters for Worship Centre

Six small fan heaters have been purchased as a temporary measure for the Worship Centre, just to take the edge off on cold days.



Can those people who come earlier on Sunday mornings in preparation for worship service (eg ushers, PA, musicians, powerpoint) please be aware of this and **turn them ON** so they have some effect before service start time.

AND FOR EVERYONE can we please ensure they are ALL TURNED OFF BEFORE LEAVING (PREFERRABLY AT THE WALL AS WELL). Thank you



CREATION

In September Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship will be presenting Season of Creation each Sunday. This gives us the opportunity to worship God and recognise the creation that he has given us.

Each Sunday we will be looking at a different

aspect of His wonderful creation:

Sunday 7th Sept - Forest Sunday Sunday 14th Sept - Land Sunday Sunday 21st Sept - Outback Sunday Sunday 28th Sept - Ríver Sunday



So come along to either the morning service at 9:30 am or the evening service at 6:30 pm, to worship God and hear more about his creation in Worship.

Cleaner needed for Fellowship Centre

Helen Raikiwasa, our regular cleaner of the Fellowship Centre has recently had major surgery and for the next few months is unable to clean our Fellowship Centre.

Would someone (or group) like to clean the Fellowship Centre on at least a fortnightly basis for a few months?

If we cannot find a cleaner in the next few weeks the Management Committee will engage a commercial cleaner.

Please contact John Fielke (ph 8265 4950/0419 752291) if you can help or would like further information.

BUT WAIT THERE'S MORE

Para Vista Conference 29-30 August 2008

Pastor Edgar Mayer from Toowoomba is the guest presenter at a conference on the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit. Hosted by Good Shepherd Para Vista, the prayer is that people will have a greater passion for Jesus, a deeper love for others, and an increased desire as well as ability to share Jesus with others. Friday evening August 29th, and Saturday August 30th. It will be a time of inspiring teaching, refreshment, worship, fellowship, food, prayer, and commissioning. Brochures are available online at <u>www.paravista.org.au</u> or from our Church Foyer.

Cost \$30/person or \$50 married couple. Group of 4 or more \$25 each. Student \$15 (with student card).

Morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea are included in the cost.

We believe that God creates all things, renews all things and celebrates all things.

We believe Earth is a sanctuary, a sacred planet filled with God's presence, a home for us to share with our kin.

We believe that God became incarnate, became a piece of Earth, like Adam, a human being called Jesus Christ, who lived and breathed and spoke among us, suffered and died on a cross, for all human beings and for all creation.

We believe that the risen Jesus is the Christ at the core of creation reconciling all things to God, renewing all creation and filling the cosmos.

We believe the Spirit renews life in creation, groans in empathy with a suffering creation, and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.

We believe that with Christ we will rise and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation. 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, 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 August are: Neale, Canavese, Belgraver, Whaites.

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

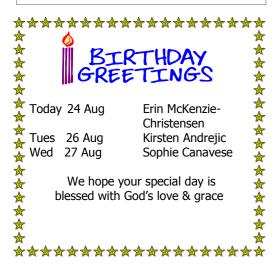
(Offerings do not include electronic giving amount of \$9277 per month from 35 contributors.)

Attendance Offerings Sunday 17/8 9.30 am \$984.85 75 6.30 pm \$180.00 51



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



DRUGS: ANNUAL LSF DEBATE

You are invited to attend the annual LSF debate which this year will take up the theme of 'Drugs'. This will be held at the next Food For Thought on Sunday 31st of August at 4.00 pm at 137 Archer St North Adelaide. You may park at the rear of the building and enter through the rear door. Any enquiries contact Pastor Mike Pietsch on 8370 3615 or 0409 725 573.

ALC evening classes second series for 2008

Two modules are being offered in this Spring series from the beginning of September to the third week of October. One class at ALC offers the opportunity to explore the book of Acts as gift and challenge to the Church with Dr Stephen Haar. A class on Passing on the Christian faith to family and friends with Dr Andrew Pfeiffer is to be held at St Petri Lutheran Church hall, Nuriootpa. Brochures available from Church Foyer.



Internet access to weekly GGLF bulletin, Sermon Study Guide, Life in the Vine, rosters and other info. You can get to it by going to www.gglf.org.au and then clicking Files.

LUTHERAN MEDIA

RADIO



Listen to FACE TO FACE Invite others to do the same. Download or listen online at www.facetoface.org.au

24 th Aug	No Maybe With Jesus
	Pastor Trevor Keller
31 st Aug	Facing Fear
	Pastor Richard Mau

TELEVISION

View **ON MAIN STREET,** a half hour talk show tackling socially relevant issues. Australian Christian Channel 4:30pm Saturday (AEST) Austar Digital 182, Foxtel Digital 182, Optus 49 / Digital 182 Digital 44 (Sydney), Transact (Canberra) www.onmainstreet.org.au

WEBSITES

Discover what's available on www.lca.org.au and www.lutheranmedia.org.au

POSITIONS VACANT Lay Chaplain—Ocean Forest Lutheran College & Lutheran Fellowship, Dalyellup WA

Applications close Friday 27th August

LCA Executive Officer Relationship & **Organisation Devt**

Please refer to noticeboard in Church Foyer for further details on the above positions.

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