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 January 2009— 1st Sunday after Epiphany

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 Please feel welcome to join us.

TWO MINUTES

Words (Barry & Maurice Gibb)
Talk in everlasting words
And dedicate them all to me
And I will give you all my life
I'm here if you should call to me
You think that I don't even mean a single word I say
It's only words, and words are all I have
To take your heart away

As a child, how many times did we hear the rhyme "Stick & stones can break my bones, but words will never hurt me"? But we know that words can have incredible power – they can change a life, change a destiny, change the world.

In our readings today we see the true power of GOD'S WORD. In Acts, Paul changed the life of a group of disciples through baptising them into the Lord Jesus. In Mark, Jesus' destiny was announced by the voice from heaven at his baptism in the Jordan. And in Genesis, God spoke and the world was created – Powerful Words!

How often do we think about what we say? (Or maybe, what we should have said, and didn't?) How freely do we share the saving love of God through our words to others?

Father God, may we dedicate our words and our lives to you – for you to take OUR hearts away. Amen.

Allyson Dutschke



Readings for today Genesis 1:1-5 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11

Readings for 18th Jan 1 Sam. 3: 1-10 1 Cor. 6:12-20 John 1:43-51

Worship Opportunities

Today 11th Jan 2009	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC DVD series (instead of Salt Factory worship)
Sunday 18th Jan	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship DVD series (instead of Salt Factory worship)
Sunday 25th Jan	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC DVD series (instead of Salt Factory worship)
Sunday 1st Feb	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC



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 children's area at the back of the church.

Activity sheets for young readers and writers—Families with children of all ages, please notice there are new activity sheets (e.g. word puzzles) available for various age groups. The sheets will be changed over periodically. Please help yourself - they can be found with the children's toys, pens and papers etc.

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

Welcome to our worship on this the first Sunday after the Epiphany. Paul Napier is our quest speaker this morning and Pastor Len will be officiating Holy Communion.

Remember instead of Salt Factory worship we have a special DVD series every Sunday evening in January, so come along tonight

Please note the flyers for our new Youth Team Leader: applications close on 16th January and flyers for the Everyday Evangelism Course we are running in March.

As I mentioned last week at the beginning of this New Year I would love to encourage you to take up (or take up again) some spiritual disciplines such as a set time for prayer, Bible reading and journaling. I am sure I will remind you about these throughout this year. Another book I would like to recommend to you is RT Kendall's latest: "Did you think to pray?" (Soon to be in our library) I read it over Christmas. RT Kendall writes so simply but what he says is profound. If you want to understand where I am coming from I would encourage you to read this book.

I will be back from Annual Leave tomorrow and I see things are starting to hot up again.

This week:

Monday: Vision for Ministry Team Thursday: Pastoral Carers Friday- Sunday: Next Step camp at Stockport (Confirmation/ Rev320)

Pastor Leon

A golden opportunity

We offer you a golden opportunity at Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship, SA

Youth Team Leader -

30 hour per week paid position. We already have age specific groups: "CCs", "Rev320", "Bakery"

and "Salt Factory" (worship run by the youth for all ages). We have great potential with our school, our gifted people, our location

and now we would like to make the next step... Are you being called to take up this golden opportunity? To receive a "Position Description" please call Judith on 828 26050 or email her on office@gglf.org.au. Any other enquires call Pastor Leon Rosenberg on 0432 224 721

or email: rosenberg.leon@goldengrove.sa.edu.au. Applications to be received by Friday 16th January 2009. They are to be addressed to Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship, PO Box 1371 Golden Grove 5125 or emailed to the above.

(Please supply the names and contact details of 2 referees together with your resume and application letter.)

Calling all Women

To retreat @ Australian Lutheran College, North Adelaide from Fri 16th -Sun 18th Jan 2009.

Retreat welcomes women of all ages regardless of whether you belong to a guild/fellowship.

Over the weekend take time to explore and be challenged by "About Time," an opportunity for women to reflect on God's gift of time and God's call on our time. Catch up on the latest life-changing stem cell research Ministry, mission, moving and more in Aotearoa. Need a good laugh? Retreat is a fun time as well as a

time for learning, caring, uplifting experience as women of God together.

Retreat offers all women an inspirational and refreshing beginning to the New Year for just \$70 inclusive. Please see our noticeboard for further details.

BREAD MINISTRY

The ministry to our community through the bread ministry is in danger of coming to an end.

We need extra people in the new

year to collect bread from Bakers Delight at Golden Grove Village on Friday evenings at 5.20pm and deliver it to the church.

If you can help out approximately every 6 weeks, please ring Jenny Rawolle on 8251 3448.

MISSION TO MYANMAR

God willing, another Asia Focus mission trip to Myanmar by an eight member team (1 from Q'land; 2 from Vic; 5 from SA) is planned from January 23, 2009.

The objectives of this mission trip include:-

To present again a teaching seminar in Tahan for the pastors, elders, evangelists, teachers, and others in the Lutheran Church of Myanmar; to firm old friendships and form new friendships; to enjoy meeting the members of two new congregations planted since the last visit; etc.

To initiate the Tahan Agricultural Proiect, a vision of the women of the local congregations to purchase some acres of land in the locality, to provide emplayment and future funds for the min istry of the LCM; etc.

To connect again with the Immanuel Chidren's Home in Yangon (as well as homeless orphans in the Tahan area) to affirm our friendship with staff and children, as the local government authorities permit access visits; to bring greetings and gifts from Australian sponsors; etc.

Your prayer support would be thankfully appreciated! Asia Focus finances the cost to the LCM of providing the seminar. Team members cover all personal costs for themselves.

For further information, contact Jim Prenzler;

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Reflection and Prayer

A Time to Pause and Pray for the People of Palestine & Israel

Date: **1pm – 1.30pm, Monday** 12 January 2009

Venue: Pilgrim Church, 12 Flinders St, Adelaide

Arranged by SA Council of Churches and St Paul's City Ministry

Meals Ministry—Families rostered to support Meals Ministry in January are: McLuckie, Watson, Taylor.

***** BIRTHDAY

Today 11 Jan Bruce Lindner Tod ★ Fri ★ Sat ★ 16 Jan Stacev Baldock Dorothy Quick 17 Jan Karl Dutschke Trudy Lindner Elijah Schutz

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

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