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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22nd February 2009— Transfiguration

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

2 Corinthians 4:5-6 (New International Version)

⁵For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

Today is an important day for 14 young people in our congregation. They will be standing up in front of you confirming what their parents and sponsors said at their baptism. They are making a commitment in front of the congregation to God, to follow him and live their life for Him. They are saying, "Yes, I believe in God and I want the whole world to Believe also!" What an amazing thing!

As they continue with their journey it is important to remember that "we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake" (2 Cor 4:5). The Confirmees need to be reminded everyday that they are not on this journey alone, but that in everything they do they are a servant of God and they are doing his will. By being a servant of God we also can take comfort that he will be watching us always and there to show us how to do everything His way. We can take comfort in knowing that if we are doing God's will, he will always be there to help ©

I believe it is not just the confirmees that need to remember they are servants of God, but everyone who believes in God needs to be reminded of this!

Readings for today 2 Kings 2:1-12 2 Cor. 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9

Readings for 1st March Genesis 9: 8-17 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1: 9-15

Worship Opportunities

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| Today 22nd Feb | 9.30 am 6.30 pm | Contemporary worship with HC (Confirmation) Salt Factory worship with HC (Confirmation) |
| Wednesday 25th Feb | 8.45-9.15 am 7.00 pm | Ash Wednesday service with school community followed by Coffee Club Ash Wednesday |
| Friday 27th Feb | 8.45-9.15 am | Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club |
| Sunday 1st March | 9.30 am 6.30 pm | Special Family Ministry (Kids at Heart) worship Salt Factory worship with HC |

Family Friendly Worship

At Golden Grove, we love **everybody** to be involved in worship.

Thease 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 inside 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

A special welcome to a those who have joined us to celebrate the **Confirmation** with the young people who taking this next step in their life: confirming what their parents and godparents said for them at their baptism and receiving God's blessing – His confirming/ strengthening their promise/ intention. At our morning service God willing: Isaac Nelson, Emi Schutz, Alex Schmocker and Ryan Reavley are being confirmed and this evening at Salt Factory, Josh Schofield, Ashleigh Jachmann, Paul Summerton, Jamie Pleass, Luke Wachtel, Natasha Prideaux, Lauren Hoskins, Taylor Jachmann-Evans, Isaiah Bush and Michael Sharp are likewise receiving this gift from God. (Due to it being a confirmation service at Salt Factory we shall be celebrating Holy Communion at this service as well).

Also a special welcome to Gracie Anne Degnan's family. Gracie is receiving the gift of **Holy Baptism** today. Some of us might think it is a little unusual to have a baptism of someone not attached to the confirmees at a confirmation service, but Gracie's baptism will serve as great reminder of what confirmation is all about and simply today suits Karen and Matt. Gracie's family support person from our congregation is her aunty Joy Bormann.

Today is a **National Day of Mourning** for the **Victorian Bushfire Disaster**. We shall keep that in mind during the services today.

Today is the last on **our series of sermons** from the Bible Readings from the Growth Journal. The text I've have chosen for today is Acts 26:22: *He said: "But God has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen." The theme is "God's help". It is addressed to the confirmees on this very special day in their life but I believe most relevant to all of us. I will be presenting what help God is offering today as well: help to turn to God for that help, help by giving us light, and help become like Paul.*

Remember if you want to join many others who are gaining so much from following a Bible Reading Plan and journaling,

"Growth Journals" are available for \$5 from the library today and from the office during the week. What a great discipline to take up for Lent, which incidentally starts this Wednesday....This Wednesday we are celebrating **Ash Wednesday**. There is a short service at 8.45am in morning for the imposition of ashes with the school community and a 7pm service.

This commences our sermon series on **the "I am" statements of Jesus**, in the book of John. The first of these is "I am the bread of life", based on John 6:35. Next Sunday's morning service is the first of our "Kids at heart" (Family Ministry) service which is aimed at the children, at least the children at heart.

Also next Sunday **Brett Jaffer** will join our congregation through Holy Baptism.

The course **Everyday Evangelism** starts in 10 days time: Wednesday week 4th March and every Wednesday for 4 weeks in Lent.. *See the flyers for further details*. Enroll now.

Don't forget there is Primary Age Ministry Training Day on, next Saturday "**Be Inspired and refreshed**" (SU) and "**Invigorate 2009**" (LCA Children's Ministry) at Mt Barker next Saturday. See the notice board for the poster and Judith in the office to enroll.

This week:

Monday: YLT team meeting (to consider applications)

Tuesday: School Council

Wednesday: 8.45am and 7pm Ash Wednesday worship

Thursday: Worship team 8.45am Worship 6.30pm CCs

(unless otherwise stated all meetings start at 7.30pm)

Pastor Leon



Baptism

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

Gracie Anne Degnan

We are delighted to share in the celebration of this special occasion with Gracie, her parents Matthew & Karen, her sponsors Josie Degnan & Denise Blacketer, together with family and friends here with us today.

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



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

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 1st March — Kloeden/Nelson group

YOUTH SPOT

Congratulations to all everyone
who is confirming their faith today!
Please continue to pray for the confirmees
as they take the next step on their faith
journey. Continue to support them and help them
to learn more about God beyond this day.

This Friday **Bakery** is meeting. It is for anyone ages 15-20. We will meet at the Church at 6pm and be finished around 9pm. Come along to share a time of fellowship with other Christians. Please bring some money for tea © hope to see you there!

cc's is on again this Friday! It will start at 6:30pm and finish at 8pm. It is for anyone in years 3 – 6.

Feel free to come along and bring a friend.

We will meet in the fellowship centre ©

Alyssa ©



'CC' - Children of Christ (For children in Yrs 3-6)

Friday 27th February 2009 6.30—8.00 pm

Wheel-a-thon

Bring your bike, skates and moon boots and find out how much fun you can have on your wheels!



Christians celebrate Lent as the beginning of the Easter season. It is the 40 days before Easter, not counting

Sundays. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Easter Sunday and during this time Christians prepare for Easter. A long time ago in Lent people put away their good clothes and wore rough clothes made out of sack cloth. They put ashes on their forehead to show they were sorry for any wrongs they had done. Some Christian churches still observe the practice of making the sign of the cross on people's foreheads with ash mixed with oil. We call this the 'imposition of the ashes'. The ashen cross is a visible reminder of people's need for repentance and forgiveness and also reminds people that in the end they return to dust or ash.

In our **Ash Wednesday service** this week on **Wednesday Feb 25**th **at 8.45am**, we will be observing the imposition of the ashes. Staff, students and **visitors** will have the opportunity to **voluntarily** come forward and take part in this observance. No-one will be compelled to come forward and should not feel pressured to do so.

For those that can't make it in the morning, you might like to join us for our **service in the evening at 7pm** where we will also observe imposition of the ashes.



Creating confidence in sharing the Christian faith Wednesday 4th,11th,18th,25th March, 2009 7.30-9.00pm

In this 4 session course you will learn what is *your evangelism style*. (You may be surprised *how* God has given you the ability to express your faith).

You will be given the greatest tool in evangelism- your own story.

We will discuss *different approaches* we can use in speaking of God.

You will learn again the gospel message in a way that *you* can understand it and present it to others in different circumstances. (Some people may hear the Gospel for the first time.)

You will be taught how to handle objections and the tough questions. (You may find they are really not so hard after all.)

You will be *challenged* but also *given confidence* to share the Christian faith.

- In the Fellowship Room, GGLF
- Supper Provided
- No Cost. (donations received to offset the cost of supper)
- Bring a Bible, a biro and the desire to grow in confidence.

Enrol now

Let Pastor Leon or Judith know that you intend to come:

Office phone: 82826050, email: <u>rosenberg.leon</u> @golden grove.sa.edu.au, mob 0432224721

NEW FEATURES FOR OUR CHURCH

A new Song Request Book – is in the foyer. All requests considered! If you'd like to be contacted when your choice is to be played, please put your name in the book too.

Coming soon to the Library – STORY TIME!



GGLPS ROSE CLUB



Thank you to all of you who donated money towards getting equipment for the Rose Club. It was a very generous amount and I will spend the money wisely. The children

who have volunteered to be part of the club this year appear to be very keen and we look forward once again to getting results for our efforts. With thanks again. Margie Jacoby Coordinator Rose Club – Golden Grove Lutheran Primary.

GGAF

Golden Grove Amateur Fishing ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OUTER HARBOUR BREAKWATER FISHING

Saturday 28th February, 2.00pm – 7.30pm

Meet at the Car Park near the big roundabout at the end of Lady Ruthven Drive, Outer Harbour

Suggested Bait: Cockles, Squid, Gents, Berley etc Fishing for Tommy Ruffs, Mullet, Whiting, Flathead, Garfish, Squid and much more!

There is a possibility of having a meal at a nearby venue afterwards.

Enquiries contact Zimmo on 8289 1212 or Graeme on 8282 6000

MEN'S MINISTRY



DIARY DATES—further details to be published later.

All in the Fellowship Centre

7 March 7.30-9.00 am Men's Breakfast
21 March 8.00-10.00 am Ladies Breakfast
13 June 7.30-9.00 am Men's Breakfast
15 August 7.15-10.15 pm Wine & Cheese Evening

Please note these dates in your diary. There is more to

follow to the end of the year.

Enquiries to Ken Campbell: 0421 428 555 or 8265 3106

God is good—all the time!

Yes! It's on again! Advance Notice of WOMEN'S RETREAT Friday 29th May—Sunday 31st May

Do as little or as much as you like. Enjoy the comforts of the old Woodhouse Mansion in the Adelaide Hills.

All women welcome! Plan to come!

Put the dates in your diary now.

Enquiries—Dawn on 8289 2031 Sue on 8289 6757 or School/Church office on 8282 6000

Para Vista Lutheran Homes are currently refurbishing two bedroom independent living units. If you are interested in having a look at these units or registering your name please contact Kylie on 8263 5087 or 0401 415 528.

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 wor-

Bibles

Bibles are available at the back of the church so that you can follow the Readings and Bible references in the Sermon.

We offer you one of these Bibles to take home, if you need one, and possibly bring back each week (so that the one you use at home is the one you use in church). If you would like to make a donation towards it - \$10 would be appreciated.

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.

Library

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

GGLF Attendance & Offerings

(Offerings do not include electronic giving amount of \$9831 per month from 35 contributors.)

Attendance Offerings Sunday 15/2 9.30 am 74 \$590.00 6.30 pm 60 \$120.70

Welcome to Christian Vision P.N.G.

A web site that includes details of our partnership with Asaroka, some general information on Papua New Guinea, local maps, video clips of our involvement within Papua New Guinea, a Christian radio link and more... I hope you enjoy viewing it....regards, Ken Tscharke. Web site: www.christianvisionpng.info/

World Day of Prayer from Papua New Guinea

Would you like to attend a Day of Prayer that circles the globe through all the time-

On Friday 6th March 2009, from sunrise in Tonga to sunset in Samoa, over 3 milwill be uniting the ecumenical World Day of Prayer, with the theme: 'In Christ we are many members, yet one body'.

World Day of Prayer unites people internationally and between denominations. In the 2009 service from Australia's mysterious northern neighbour, the Christian women of Papua New Guinea bring their lives and the needs of their country to us.

There is still time for churches to organise a service for this year. Materials for a traditional service, Contemporary service, Aged Care Facilities (shorter with larger print), Student Service and Children's Service are available.

For further information about services in your local area, or to request materials and contact: Helen Stanger (Publication Officer, WDP SA) 8381 9928 helenstanger@iinet.net.au

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

CAR BOOT SALE

to be held on Saturday, 14 March, 8.30 am - 12.30 pm, at St Mark's Anglican Church, Cnr The Golden Way and Wynn Vale Drive, WYNN

\$10 a site - limited sites. Contact: Audrey on 8396 0752

POSITIONS VACANT

GREENWITH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Christian Pastoral Support Worker (Previously known as Chaplain)

Applications are invited for the new 23 hour CPSW position starting at the beginning of Term 2, 2009. The position exists to offer support to students, staff and the school community. A job and person specification is available from the School Office located at the corner of Golden Grove Rd. and The Golden Way, Greenwith or from Sue Kearvell by contacting the School Office on 82898100.

> Applications close at 4.00pm on Wednesday 11th March 2009

To learn more about Greenwith Primary School go to: www.greenwith.sa.edu.au

Director of Discipleship and Family Ministry – St Marks Lutheran Church, Epping NSW - Full Time (see noticeboard for further details)

Pastor Leon's Message

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

***** BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Tues 24 Feb 28 Feb Jan Wegener Claire Tscharke Hannah DeRooy

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

Pastor: Leon Rosenberg

Youth Team Leader: Alyssa Wurst (Mobile 0412 603 640)

Vision for Ministry Team:

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