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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5th April 2009— PALM SUNDAY 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

"Look, your King comes to you, . . . humble and riding on a donkey" (Zech 9 v 9), that was the prophecy that the Old Testament prophet Zechariah made about 550 years before today's celebrated events of Palm Sunday.

How different are things normally for humans? Any slight hint of superiority and we make full use of every perk that comes our way. Even today a chariot drawn by a team of beautiful horses is the choice of royalty for special events. Yet here, Jesus deliberately chooses to ride a humble donkey, a colt never before ridden and he allows his followers to sound the heralds with their Hosannas and their branches waved in praise.

The apostle Paul in his letter to the Philippians says, "Jesus being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped but made himself nothing, taking on the very nature of a servant . . . he humbled himself and became obedient to death — even death on a cross" Phil 2 v 6-8 Palm Sunday was the road to the cross. Jesus knew it. He also knew His 'pedigree'. He knew He was King of the universe, God from all ages, yet here is this act of humility he chooses to fulfil prophecy and ride like an unexpected King, on a donkey, the foal of an ass! We read from other gospel accounts that there were those of superiority who hurled mocking abuse at him, perhaps seeing only the 'ass' he was making of himself or maybe recall ing Zechariah, they realised with dread that by choosing this ride He was stating very clearly that he was the Messiah.

Dear Lord, my heart is proud and I don't know how to choose humility. Help me follow You this week to the cross, the grave and back to life that Your grace might fill me and make me humble. In Jesus Name Amen.

Margey Knapp



Readings for today Isaiah 50:4-9 Phil. 2:5-11 Mark 11:1-11

Readings for 12th April Acts 10:34-43 1 Cor. 15: 1-11

John 20: 1-18

Worship Opportunities

	6.30 pm	Salt Factory worship with HC	
Today 5th April	9.30 am	School Family Service	

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

Today is **Palm Sunday** and the junior primary classes of our school are leading us in a Family service on the theme of Superheroes. Thanks to Ruth, Angela and Barbara for organizing and thanks children for your involvement. The structure of the ser vice is very similar to our Friday morning worship.



A warm welcome to Caleb and Cooper Marschall and their parents Damien and Natasha and

your family and friends. Caleb and Cooper will be baptized into our congregation this morning and receive all the blessings of the miracle. In that sense they are indeed the super heroes today! (Tim and Jody Kriewaldt are their support family from our congregation)

With the Family worship this morning being on a special theme, our series on the "I am statements of Jesus" will only be presented tonight at Salt Factory worship. This evening our theme is from John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth and the life..." we are going to ask How are you going to respond to it? Your response can give a depth to your life, the way to go, the truth to protect you from the lies the devil would throw at you.

Tonight we are also celebrating the first communion of 7 young people who have been doing the other step up to communion course, God willing it will be: Chelsea Beckett, Nathan Dunn, Sarah Dutschke, Noah Hahn, Emma Hoskins, Jessica McLuckie, Austin Neale, Darcy Nitschke (Bianca Radny and Joel Schiller are planning to take their first communion on 3rd May)

Please note Paul Swansson's acceptance of the call to our congregation as the new Youth Team leader. (See Bulletin 15/3/09 for a brief overview of Paul with his picture.)

Easter is next week!. Maundy Thursday main service is at 7pm. with Holy Communion, "around tables". There will a service with the school community at 2.30pm, again featuring Holy Communion, which you are welcome to attend. Good Friday is 9.30am based on the Gospel narrative and includes sounds, smells and sights representing the first Good Friday. Easter dawn service (at the Schmocker's 6.15am with hot cross buns) and the main service with Holy Communion at 9.30am preceded by hot cross buns which includes an Easter dramatization. As you can imagine, each of the worship events will be very special.

This week:

Sunday: Step Up to Communion 4.30 pm, session 4 Monday, Tuesday Wednesday of Holy week

2.45pm unique individuals worship event

Thursday: 2.30pm Holy Communion worship with the

school community (again theme of Unique

Individuals)

Thursday: 7pm Maundy Thursday worship;

theme: "I am the true vine."

Friday: 9.30am Good Friday worship.

Theme: "I am king"

6.15am Dawn Service: Sunday:

"With me where I am"

Sunday: 8.45am hot cross bun breakfast. 9.30 worship with Holy Communion. Sunday: Theme: "I am returning to my Father."

(unless otherwise stated all meetings start at 7.30pm)

Pastor Leon

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>: There will be <u>NO</u> Salt Factory catering during

the school holiday period,

To the Golden Grove Lutheran Church,

Thankyou for your call to the position of Youth Team Leader. After much prayer and meditation on the

word, sharing with close trusted friends, and meeting many of you I am even more convicted to accept this call and look forward to growing with you for the purpose of building up youth and youth ministries at GGLF.

Further my family has been welcomed so warmly by all of you. My two boys love the children's program on Sunday Mornings and my eldest daughter is excited that there is a youth group for her age. We look forward to becoming part of your family.

Yours in Christ **Paul Swansson**



Golden Grove Amateur Fishing ST KILDA BREAKWATER FISHING Saturday 18th April

Meet in the carpark at St Kilda at 6.00 am. Bacon & eggs breakfast to follow after weigh in at 9.30 am. Fishing for salmon trout, mullet, whiting, bream and tommies. Toilets are nearby.

Enquiries to Zimmo (8289 1212) or Graeme Hoklas (8289 6803)

ROSTERS

The worship service **rosters for June - August** will shortly be drawn up. Please let **Anna Watson** know

(watson.anna@goldengrove.sa.edu.au or through a note in her pigeon hole) if you are unavailable to serve during this time due to holiday plans etc. Rosters should be out in the first week of May.

Are you wanting to feel more connected to our congregation? Has God gifted you with friendliness, encouragement, oral reading, public prayer, musical ability, public speaking? Then we can use you in our worship services, morning or evening! For various reasons our roster lists have become somewhat depleted over the past year so if you are not currently serving on a roster and would like to do so, please let Anna know.

A **big thank you** from the Worship Team to all our members who have made a commitment to help out during our worship services

ALC evening classes—first series for 2009

Three modules are being offered in this autumn series from mid May to end of June. Two classes at ALC offer the opportunity to explore Christian worship with Dr John Kleinig and the historical period between the Old and New Testaments with Dr Greg Lockwood. A class taking another look at the Augsburg Confession with Dr Dean Zweck is to be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Gawler. See notice and enrolment brochures in church fover.



GGLF EASTER SERVICE WORSHIP TIMES

9th April Maundy Thursday 7.00 pm Worship with HC 10th April Good Friday 9.30 am Worship

12th April **Easter Sunday** 6.15 am **Dawn Service** at Schmocker's block.

BYO torch, chair and rug up!

8.45 am Hot Cross Bun Breakfast served in F/ Centre 9.30 am Worship with HC

Please note there will be NO Salt Factory service on Easter Sunday



Good Friday will be a Service of Readings

and these readings will not be appearing on screen. If you wish to follow the readings please feel welcome to bring your own bible or use the ones provided here at church. Readings will be taken from the TNIV Bible.

Good Friday Worship —

12 Readers (not actors!) are required for the Gospel Readings. If you can help

please see Margey Knapp (or phone 8289 5443 or e-mail mkna6934@bigpond.net.au) A great chance for those who haven't been on a roster before to get involved. It would be good if Youth through to Seniors could be in the mix. Readers will be paired so it won't be too scary. There may be some simple props to hold, handle or carry as we retell the events of Jesus' Passion. Looking forward to hearing from lots of people!!! Thanks Margey.

KIDS AT HEART

The Kids at Heart team focuses on ministry for families. We would like to help families to incubate faith in children, and along the way, we adults might learn new things too!

We can effectively stimulate learning through activities that are interesting to children. Physical activities like making craft and moving to music are important means of capturing interest and developing memory without effort. Performing actions to songs whilst singing increases oxygen levels in the brain which is required to burn glucose during neuron growth. Touching, tasting, moving and getting involved in stories can be a powerful way to teach children bible stories.

Playing at home.

We can use some of these methods at worship and CC's, and parents might find opportunities to incorporate these ideas at home. For example, tell bible stories when making things or playing with existing toys. Boats, fishing, storms are good examples for little ones and can be applied to many stories in the bible. Follow up with a song that tells the story too. (Try the church library for song books/tapes/CDs). Older ones might write out the relevant text and create a picture to represent it. Preschoolers can memorise bible text too, but the easiest way to seat that memory is to sing and act the words out.

Easter Cooking.

Try incorporating taste and smell into your Christian teaching at home. Preparation, cooking and eating stimulates all the senses and is an easy way to tell the Easter message. Try using food (such as pancakes, pizza toppings, cheese on toast, pastry, fruit and vegetables) to make shapes that represent the Cross, a tomb, snakes (for sin and temptation), hearts (for God's love) and maybe a sun/butterflies/rabbits etc. for new life.

Example: Pancake Easter message.

Using pancake mixture, make a round shape and tell how God made the whole world and how it was good and perfect. Next drizzle a snake shape and talk about sin and unacceptable behaviour and the fall. Then make a heart shape and talk about how God still loved the world and the people and he worked out a plan so we could be with him forever. Make a cross with the batter and explain how God sent Jesus to die for us. Then the good news, Jesus didn't stay dead, he rose again. Drizzle rays of sunshine, butterflies etc around the cross.

Assistance needed over Easter

Help would be appreciated to pack up after Maundy Thursday service, prepare for Good Friday service and the Easter day service. If you can help at any one or all of these services please let Brian Quick or Margey Knapp know.

Easter Day

People are asked to wear or bring/hold a flower on Easter Day to fill the church with life, beauty, colour and perfume



WANTED

Enthusiastic and thoughtful GGLF members who are interested in serving God, by nominating to serve on the Management, Ministry and Worship teams of our church from May 2009—May 2010.

We are looking for people who are interested in serving as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson on the Management team. We also particularly need a Treasurer.

If serving on the Ministry or Worship teams interest you, then please let us know. It would be great if we had a good mix of male and female, old and young members on all teams.

Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship

NEEDS YOU

Please talk to Gerda Rawolle or Pauline Taylor at church, or leave a note expressing your interest in either of their pigeon holes

To assist families with Christian education at home, the Kids at Heart team would like to highlight some fun and safe websites that kids can enjoy.

For children 4- 7 years old:

www.happyland.com.au

Happyland is a Lutheran media production. The purpose of Happyland is to introduce children to Jesus and what he teaches us about the way we should live, and to let them have lots of fun at the same time. Build houses and play games with biblical messages. Everything is read aloud and has full instructions.

For children ages 6 to 10:

www.bigideafun.com

Veggietales website featuring games and puzzles and fun.

Kids under 12 years:

www.albertweb.com/evenachild/

Fun for all ages! Includes games and jokes.

If you know any other websites that are suitable, please let us know so that we can share them with other people.

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.

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 April are: Fielke, Jachmann & Kupke.

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 \$11299.42 per month from 37 contributors.)

		Attendance	Offerings
Sunday 29/3	9.30 am	82	\$1179.20
	6.30 pm	53	\$ 473.20

POSITION VACANT

Office Manager-St John's Lutheran, Tea Tree Gully

Part-time position of 25 hours per week. Applications close on Thursday 9 April 2009. See noticeboard for further details.

Great learning opportunities through **Lutheran Community Care's Centre** for Learning.

Celebrating Manhood: Men talking with Men

A weekend for creating Community & Conversation amongst Men. You just need to bring along your clarity or your confusion, your joys and your tears, share your stories and listen to some mates sharing theirs. Jubilee Lodge, Seeonee Hills, Muller Rd. Bridgewater Friday April 17th 6.00pm for a 7.00pm start until Sunday 19th lunch time. Cost \$150. Please contact us if you wish to attend but don't have the funds or if you would like to make a donation to support other men attending

Enquiries or registrations: Centre for Learning Tel 8331 3111 or maqill@lccsa.org.au

Collect a flyer from our church foyer

Wedding Dreams and Dramas

For couples who are planning a wedding to focus on a wedding that reflects your values, to reduce stress and to handle differences in family expectations. April 29th 7-9pm St Stephen's Lutheran Church 152 Wakefield St Adelaide Cost \$25 per couple (light refreshments included)

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.

St Stephen's Lutheran Church presents 'Truth or Crucifixion": a dramatic Easter presentation and reflection. Good Friday, 10th April at 6pm & 8pm. 152 Wakefield Street, Adelaide.

Friends of Lutheran Archives meeting. Topic: Roman Catholic/ Lutheran Relations. Speaker: Dr Lance Steicke, LCA President 1987

At Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place, Adelaide on Monday 20 April at 7.30 pm.

Supper. Gold coin donation.

entertainment"

Entertainment Books for 2009/2010 are now available from our Admin Office. 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.

Books sell out quickly so make sure you don't miss out.

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

DOES ANYONE KNOW THE WHERE-

ABOUTS OF A fine bone china bowl approx 8" dia with little white flowers and scalloped edges. This bowl belongs to Sue Shillabeer and was brought along for the morning tea following the Kids at Heart family service held on 1st March. If anyone has inadvertently picked it up and put it somewhere can you please let either Sue or Judith know.

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

Mon 6 Apr Cheryl Brown Simon Kupke Tues 7 Apr Wed 8 Apr Alison Ahrens Chelsea Beckett Thurs 9 Apr James Wilson Fri 10 Apr Georgina Carter Sat 11 Apr Winny Prodoehl

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

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