GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP

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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10th May 2009—5th Sunday of Easter

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 messages 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

This week's readings speak of action.

Acts 8:26-40 (Philip shares Scripture with an Ethiopian leading to his conversion) speaks of Philip's readiness and eagerness to share the good news about Jesus. Philip listened to an angel, responded by running to the chariot and teaching the Ethiopian and he seized the opportunity to baptize right there and then! Here we see Philip listening, running, teaching and baptizing.

1 John 4: 7-21 speaks of acknowledging that Jesus is the Son of God, of loving God and loving one another. Here the actions are acknowledging (testifying) and loving.

John 15: 1-8 records the imagery of the Vine and the branches. The action here is bearing fruit and living as the Father's disciple.

These actions, though varied, have much in common. They all result from God's graciousness. The actions do not come out of a sense of guilt, nor from coercion or fear, nor from a desire for personal gain. The natural response to living in God's grace – being attached to the Vine – is to love, serve and bear fruit.

Dear Lord, Thank you for your great love. Teach me to love as I should. Amen.

Worship Opportunities



Readings for today Acts 8:26-40 1 John 4: 7-21 John 15: 1-8

Readings for 17th May Acts 10:44-48 1 John 5: 1-6

John 15: 9-17

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Today 10th May	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship	
Friday 15th May	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club	
Sunday 17th May	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC	
Friday 22nd 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 at appropriate times when they 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 **happy Mother's Day** to all the mothers, grandmothers and carers who have joined us today. Today is an opportunity to thank God for our mothers and reflect that God gave them to us to care for us. In fact that mothers are a reflection of God's love for us.

A special welcome to **Cody Richard's family** who have joined us for his baptism this morning.

Do you feel as though everything is against you? Life is such a struggle. You are hard pressed, crushed, perplexed, persecuted, struck down. Do you know these feelings? That's life. This morning we are continuing to ask the question of Scripture (2 Corinthians) "Where is God when we are struggling?" We'll be looking at the text: 2 Corinthians 4:16 "Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day" and considering that God is within us.

Last week I was away for part of the week at a School Pastor's Conference entitled "Harnessing the spiritual energy of the staff". Ask me about it.

This week I will be away for 3 days at a compulsory training course called "Blessed are the Peace Makers" on conflict resolution, reconciliation and confession and absolution. You can get a taste of this at the seminar this Saturday at Blair Athol. See elsewhere in the Bulletin for information on this.

Please note that **Pastoral Carers** meeting is a week earlier: this Thursday evening.

Again keep in mind our journey to maturity. (Ephesians 4: 12, 13... to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ) Read what I say about this in my AGM report, available in our Book of Reports today.

Next Sunday is our congregation's and school's AGMs.

Pastor Leon

This week:

Monday: Vision For Ministry Team
Tuesday: Management Team
Wednesday: 4.45pm Head to Heart
Thursday: Pastoral Carers

Friday: Friday worship 8.45am with Holy

Communion.

(Unless otherwise stated all meetings start at 7.30pm)

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 17th May — Schmocker group



Baptism

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

Cody Mark Derek Richards

We are delighted to share in the celebration of this special occasion with Cody, his parents Rebecca & Mark, his sponsors Amanda Griffiths & Christopher Rau, together with family and friends here with us today.

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



MEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies Breakfast

Our first Ladies breakfast will be held on **16th May**, **8.00-10.00 am** in the Fellowship Centre.

Breakfast will include bacon and eggs, cereal, toast, spreads, fruit and cream with orange juice, tea and coffee to wash it all down.

Cost \$6.00 head.

Guest speaker is Gabi Proc from Rostrum. Gabi is a retired school teacher and administrator. This lady is an exceptional speaker.

Her topic is "Communication in Relationships". It will be serious entertainment.

A crèche will be provided so that Mum can enjoy the morning.

Please book with Judith or Elaine in the office.

Enquiries to Ken Campbell: 0421 428 555 or 8265 3106



GGLF & GGLPS AGM's will be held on Sunday 17th May at 11.00 am in the Worship Centre

Thank you to all the leaders of our various groups for your reports. The GGLF Agenda and Book of Reports and GGLPS Agenda & supporting documents are available today from the church foyer. Please feel welcome to

collect a copy and read before the AGM's.

ROSTERS

The worship service rosters for the period June—August are now available from the 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!

Anna Watson

KIDS AT HEART

A happy Mother's day to all the mums from the Kids at Heart team! May you have a relaxing and blessed day.

Wanted: craft scraps:

Attention all bower birds: We are churning through quite a few craft materials at CCs and on Sunday mornings. May we invite the congregation and friends to clear their cupboards of any unwanted items suitable for craft? Especially coloured paper, for example- scrapbooking and card-making off-cuts, embellishments, lettering, card stock, ribbon, stickers, material scraps, bits of wool, used gift wrapping etc. Also, these

items otherwise destined for the recycling bin: Clean bakery or meat trays- foam/ plastic/ alfoil (i.e. smaller than 30 cms). It is amazing what we can use- small amounts are most welcome. (Give to Lesley or leave at front office.) Thank you for the items already received.

Wanted: participants for Family Service 26th July

The Kids at Heart team will be running another family service on Sunday morning July 26th. If you would like to participate in the service, please drop a note in my pigeon hole (FRIEDRICH), send an email to lesleyfriedrich@ozemail.com.au or phone me on 82514021.

Initially, we invite people to be involved in the following ways: families to do the prayers

individuals to read a part in a dramatic bible story

Wanted: prayers

Please pray for and encourage the helpers for our Sunday morning craft activities: Adele Leach, Leanne Solomou, Emi and Alex Schutz, Megan Ahrens, Sarah Dutschke, Gaby and Tiarna Hahn. May your prayers help us to develop fun and creative activities to help our children assimilate God's word into their hearts and minds. May everyone involved with children's ministry be filled with love and encouragement so that they can support each child on his or her personal journey. Please also pray that the children grow with tolerance and understanding of each other's unique abilities, that they expand their sharing skills and that they participate noncompetitively.

Blessings, Lesley

Mark this date in your diary:

Sunday July 26th 9-30am. Family service- lots of fun!

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.

Kids over 7.

www.wonderzone.com

Features animated bible stories games and activities. Presented in a creative and exciting way.

Kids over 10:

www.guidemagazine.org

Tween community with games, advice and much more!

Girls over 10:

www.faithgirlz.com

A Christian community for girls. Also promotes Nancy Rue books.

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

Researched by Emi Schutz.



Lutheran Community Care have shopping bags similar to those at supermarkets available for \$2 each as a fundraiser.

These bags can be used for your own purposes or you can buy a bag and donate it back to LCC or you can fill them with groceries for their winter appeal. If you would

like to fill the bags LCC have asked that for the month of May they would like donations of canned meat and tinned fish of any variety and soup/cup of soup any type along with any other goods that you want to donate especially products of flour, sugar, cereals, shampoos and soaps etc.

A sample bag is displayed in the church foyer and shopping bags can be purchased from the Admin office.

GGLPS ROSE CLUB

During the holidays, the Rose Society of SA had their annual Autumn Show at the Burnside Town Hall. Those members of the Rose Club who were able to attend, came to the

Club who were able to attend, came to the Church and School grounds on Friday 16th April to select, pick and display their roses for judging. Mr Peter Burton was invited to come and assist the children to select blooms. Unfortunately he forgot but Karl Dutschke, Callum Giovanetti, Alex Schutz, Sophie Caldwell, Emma Ross, Emma Gillard and Cailan Nerzic all members of the Rose Club won either awards or participation certificates for their efforts. Once again, Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School was awarded the Champion Rose in the Junior Primary Section of the show. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who were able to help transport both children and roses to the show and for their assistance in displaying them. Without your help this could not happen.

As an added bonus this year, Jane Reilly from Channel 10 Weather invited the children to be in her segment which was aired on that night. The children did a great job in representing our school. Congratulations to you all.

Mrs. Jacoby - Rose Club co-coordinator

Blessed are the Peacemakers

An Ambassadors of Reconciliation Seminar
St Pauls Lutheran Church
44 Audrey Ave, Blair Athol
9am – 4pm Saturday 16th May 2009
Cost \$30 BYO Lunch
Morning & Afternoon Tea Provided

Register by Monday 11th May through the LCA SA/NT District Office

The LCA is bringing Ted Kober and Francis Taman from *Ambassadors of Reconciliation* in America to lead three day seminars for all the active pastors of the Church.

This one day seminar is open to all congregational members, lay workers and retired pastors.

This seminar will help equip you to be a peacemaker in your family, church and community. You will be helped to

- Understand conflict from a biblical point of view
- Develop strategies for achieving a genuine reconciliation
- See the opportunities for growth and healing that conflict presents
- Learn how to negotiate in a God-pleasing manner

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 May are: Kloeden, Hahn, Friedrich.

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 \$10486 per month from 35 contributors.)

		Attendance	Offerings
Sun 3/5	9.30 am	95	\$673.35
	6.30 pm	72	\$104.40



Buy the brand new 2009/2010
Entertainment Book— 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

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! 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.

POSITIONS VACANT

Youth/Young Adults Worker— Bethleham Lutheran Church, Adelaide—0.2 position

Lay Worker – Outer Eastern Lutheran Church. Croydon Hills, Vic – 20 Hours

See noticeboard for further details

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.

LLL—Our congregation has received a "Notice to LLL Depositor's" advising that the interest rate on LLL deposit accounts will be 4.25% from 1st June 2009. This notice has been placed on the church noticeboard for your information.

Friends of Lutheran Archives - History Week events

Sat 23 May, 11am-12noon Kavel's People display at Lutheran Archives, 27
Fourth St, Bowden. Items relating to first German Lutheran settlers 1838-1839.

Mon 25 May, 7.30 pm Talk: Survival in the Bush: German Homeopathy in SA. Speaker: Heike Bishop. Where?: Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place, Adelaide. Supper. Gold coin donation.

Wed 27 May, 2pm-4pm Kavel's People display at Lutheran Archives, 27 Fourth St, Bowden. Items relating to first German Lutheran settlers 1838-1839.

The annual LSF Quiz Night is not to be missed and will begin at 7.00 pm on Friday 15th May in the Refectory of Australian Lutheran College (Cnr Ward and Jeffcott Sts, North Adelaide). Great questions and prizes. Arrange a table or come individually and enjoy a wonderful night out. Bookings through Victoria Anderson: saevents@lsf.org.au or Mike Pietsch (0409 725 573 or 8370 3615).



LUTHERAN MEDIA Also refer to flyer on Noticeboard for program details. Listen to Face to Face

10th May The Pain of being a Parent— Parenthood brings both joy and pain. For mothers, the joy of discovering they're pregnant is followed by the pain of childbirth. The joy of nurturing a child is followed by letting them go, to make their own way in life.

Join us this week as Richard Mau's guest Mark Doecke explores the question - Why do we sacrifice so much for our children?

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 11 May Jessica Napier Ashleigh Pfitzner Michael Gower We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace

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