

Our mission:
"Making Christ
known in the community so that all
may worship Him
and receive the gift
of eternal life"

GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP

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Our goal: Care, Communicate, Connect so that people know CHRIST.



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29th November 2009—1st Sunday of ADVENT

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

Luke 21: v 33- Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

Today, more than ever before, we seem to be living in a world where no one listens and really takes on board what other people are saying. Perhaps in this technological age we live in, we have lost the skill to listen. It is so much easier to text, blog, twitter, post a message on "you tube" or email someone, than it is to have a face to face conversation or even a "chatty" telephone call. Yet, how often do we listen to what God is telling us? How often do we go our own way and ignore our Heavenly Father? How often, in times of strife or difficulty, do we, as Christians, refer to the Scriptures to find our way? The Bible is not only a way of life, it is the way to live! We are living in extraordinary times with floods, famine, drought, wars, recession and acts of terrorism but all throughout the Bible you will find similar instances and the people who survived, were the ones that were obedient to God, listened and trusted in Him. How can we not trust the one who gave His life that we might live? No matter what happens in the world and in our lives, Jesus is there! He is all seeing and all knowing. He never makes a promise He cannot keep and so when He tells us that "heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away", we know, without doubt, that we will be with Him eternally.

Pauline Taylor

Readings for today Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thess. 3: 9-13 Luke 21:25-36

Readings for 6th Dec Malachi 3:1– 4 Phil. 1:3-11 Luke 3:1– 6

Worship Opportunities

Today 29th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC	
Friday 4th Dec	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club	
Sunday 6th Dec	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC	
Thurs 10th Dec	2.30 pm	End of year closing chapel	

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 inside the church.

The "Kids at Heart" team run a **QUIET** craft table during the sermon. That way, the children have some time with their parents during the morning services, and also a little bit of time to be creative, to wriggle around and to learn about our God and what He means to us through artistic activities, with their friends. All children are welcome to join in this time. 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 we are commemorating our **Remembrance Sunday**. As I stated last week it is an opportunity to remember any loss that we are still grieving.

Loss can take many forms: the loss of a loved one through death or the loss through moving, a loss of health or ability or something prematurely being taken from you or even a death of a pet. Whatever you are missing- grieving over- this service is planned to minister to you.

During today's service you will be given the chance to light a candle, have some quiet time to reflect and to pray and prayer will be offered on your behalf.

The address: "Time to look up" is based on a verse from the Gospel reading for the day: **Luke 21:28** When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads because your redemption is drawing near.

David Nelson will be making an *Endeavour presentation* after both worship services today. Thank you very much David, we are looking forward to hearing what is happening at sister school Endeavour.

Today is our **Family Christmas Picnic**, hosted by our School. It starts at 11am and lunch is planned for 12noon with 1-3pm as a time of "Old Fashioned Games".

Don't forget that this afternoon at 2pm is David Altus installation of the LCA, SA/NT District President at Concordia College.

Today (as you might have noticed) is also **Advent Sunday** which means 4 Sundays to Christmas!

Next Sunday we are starting a program entitled "Creating confidence to share your faith", based on the *Everyday Evangelism course*. The main feature of this program is the message given on the first Sunday of each month for the next 4 months. So I strongly encourage you to set aside these Sundays to worship at GGLF to allow God to create that confidence. I believe it will give a strong lift to your life.

The Gathering is now planned for Saturday 27th February 2010: a week earlier than previously advertised (which was a long weekend). It is a day before our confirmation services. But with Kaleb's Journey bike ride being reduced from the 8 day ride to a day event we thought it freed up the month to be able to hold The Gathering 2010.

This week:

Tuesday: Worship Team **Wednesday:** Pastoral Carers

Wednesday: 3.45pm Head to Heart (Confirmation Course):

Cemetery

Friday: Worship 8.45am

Saturday: 8am Family breakfast (for everyone) (All meetings start at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated

The following week:

Sunday: 11am. Half yearly Meeting and School Election

Meeting

12 noon Friends of Asaroka get-together with

shared lunch

Wednesday: 6.30pm School Council Dinner/ Neighbourhood Watch **Thursday:** School graduation Service and School Closing Service

Salt Factory Worship

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

Rostered for catering next Sunday 6th December — Ahrens group.

Day's Pay Challenge

Through the generous giving of members of the congregation as an expression of thanks for what the Lord has done for us, **\$8650** has been added to the GGLF budget.

The challenge is being extended to *29 November*, so you still have the opportunity to donate and we encourage everyone to help us meet our target of \$10,000.

Just to remind you: a generous member will match dollar for dollar, up to \$10,000.

Envelopes are still available in the foyer.

GGLPS warmly invites the members of Golden Grove

Lutheran Fellowship to attend their end of year Family Christmas Picnic at the school, after the church service TODAY.

Starts at 11.00 am with games for everyone to join in with.

Lunch at 12.00 noon followed by Father Christmas!! 1.00-3.00 pm—a time of 'Old Fashioned' games for kids (and kids at heart) to play.

An Icecream van will be there

BYO – Picnic lunch, drinks *(alcohol permitted)*, chairs, table, (sunshade if a hot day), hat, sunscreen etc.

Bring a friend! Join us for a great day.

Notice to Members of GGLF Half-Yearly Meeting AND

Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School
Annual Election Meeting
To be held Sunday 6th December 2009
11.00 am in the Worship Centre

Copies of Agendas for each of these meetings are available from the Church Foyer.



Friends of Asaroka Let's Get Together Next Sunday 6th December 12 noon for a shared lunch

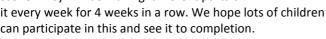
An invitation to **ALL** members of all groups who have travelled to PNG <u>and including</u> congregational members who are interested in our partnership with Asaroka please come along for a shared lunch and a short meeting time to bring you up-to-date news. Hope you can be there!

Nominations for School Council

Nominations can be received in writing to trigg.daryl@goldengrove.sa.edu.au if you are interested in joining the school council for 2010. (Nominations must be received by the end of today (Sunday) to be constitutional.

KIDS AT HEART

Here comes Christmas! We thought it would be nice for the children to make something for keeps for Christmas so two weeks ago the children began making a nativity scene. They will be making different parts of



Last week the children made sheep and today they will be making shepherds.

If children inadvertently bring home their craft can you please get your child to bring it back to church the following week.

We are collecting large shoe /boot boxes for this activity. Please drop them at the office in the next week. Thanks.

Blessings, Lesley and the <u>K@H</u> team.

Paul Swansson, Adele Leach, Emi Schutz, Dave Shrowder, Pastor

MEN'S MINISTRY

Family Breakfast—Saturday 5th December, 8.00-10.00 am in the Fellowship Centre.

Continental Breakfast including pancakes & maple syrup

Guest speaker: David D'Lima, Family Voice Australia Topic: "Family Enrichment"

Cost \$5.00 head (kids are free).

A <u>créche</u> will be available to look after the children during David's presentation. They can sit in if they are interested in the topic.

To assist in catering would you please book with Elaine or Judith in the Admin office. .

Enquiries to Ken Campbell: 0421 428 555 or 8265 3106

Rose display 4th & 6th December

Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School invites you to view a display of roses in the Church Foyer. It is being organised to raise funds to rehabilitate a Sloth Bear (Dancing Bear) into the wild. Please come along & view roses grown in our own gardens, school grounds & elsewhere. We are seeking a gold coin donation. Thank you

Fellowship Group Leaders Meeting: Sunday 13th December 11am

AIM: For the Vision team to encourage and support the wonderful work that our Fellowship Groups are doing at GGLF. We would like to direct the fellowship, serving and studies that occur in our 22 groups towards our common goal: Care, Communicate and Connect for people to know Christ. We feel that to achieve this goal, which was adopted at this year's Annual General Meeting, we need to harness what God is doing in and through our Fellowship Groups. We hope that all group leaders will attend this meeting or delegate a representative to attend on their behalf. (We believe this is very important so we plan to email this message to every group leader, personally invite them as well and encourage you to pass this information on.)

Jon and Leanne Schiller (Fellowship Group Coordinators)



Thank you to everyone for your heartfelt wishes on my 80th Birthday last Sunday. Special thanks to Judith & Sonya and all

the members who brought food etc to add to the morning tea. Love is indeed kind. I was touched.

Ken Campbell

Bob Longmire wishes to express his regret at causing the unexpected interruption during worship last Sunday morning and sincerely thanks friends who quickly came to his aid and also for prayers, visits and phone calls he has received. He now appears back to normal.

YOUTH NEWS

Hi all,

Last week at Bakery we explored the idea of evangelism. We went to McDonald's and shared the word of God with three youth. Each of them explained how they had been negatively effected by their high school education and in particular their religious studies. They told me that they did not want to think about it anymore. After a conversation that lasted 8 minutes I asked if I could pray that they would be freed from the damaged done to them through a faith experience that they could not relate to. The most amazing part of this request was not the 'Yes' response but who responded. It was the person who I thought was least interested in the conversation. She said yes and turned to me waiting for the prayer. After I prayed for them, releasing them from the negative feelings towards faith and God, she thanked me. The main thing I regret was not giving them my number so they could talk more. But I know God is doing his work in these three young people and they are now free to hear Him anew when they next have God come and talk to them through his servants. Praise God.

Grace and Peace Paul Swansson

UP & COMING

Bakery Friday 04/12 - If you are in year 9 this year then you are now welcome to come to Bakery which is kind of like senior youth. So come along, bring your friends and celebrate what it means to be a young independent Christian.

Confirmation group - The confirmation group is exploring serving others so **next Sunday** we are going to be washing as many cars as we can during service. We cannot say that we will get everyone's cars washed or even a great deal of cars washed but we will be doing our best to do as many as we can. If you do not want your car washed then please let us know. We will probably be focusing on the most dirty cars first so if that is your car and you want it clean then next Sunday is probably a good day for you.

Last REV 320 Friday 11/12 - The next meeting is the last for the Year and all year 6 students are invited as a transition to REV for next year. We will be meeting at the Church and weather permitting will probably have water events to keep cool and just get to know each other. Think about bringing some food to share.

REV320 CHANGE CAMP FRI 16th to SUN 18th of January - If you are in Year 7 or higher for 2010 then you are invited to the REV 320 CHANGE CAMP. Everyone is always going through change but many of you are going through big life changes. At this camp we're going to explore how we face these changes while we also go canoeing, swimming and do other such fun activities. Change is good—let's celebrate it

Aid for Hearing Impaired

As an aid for the hearing impaired, the service is transmitted on 88.3 MHz FM radio.

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 (Jan Wegener, Pastor Len & Claire Tscharke, 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. DVD's can be ordered for a \$5 donation. See the Church Office.

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 November are: Schiller, Shillabeer, Heinrich . 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

GGLF Attendance & Offerings

(Offerings do not include electronic giving amount of \$10815 per month from 37 contributors.) The LLL Account No. for GGLF Regular Electronic Giving is 28190/S1/GOL

		Attendance	Offerings
Sun 22/11	9.30 am	75	\$362.00
	6.30 nm	34	\$108.50

*** Today 29 Nov Jay Hoklas Mon 30 Nov Summer Bartel 3 Dec Louise Sumner Thurs Sat 5 Dec Hannah Bartel Fran Lindner We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace ******

Internet Access at the Bar

Some of you will notice now that the generic church/12345 log on does not have internet access. Notification that this was going to be removed was given for over 8 weeks.

It is certainly not too late to ask for your own log on and access code. Simply email trigg.daryl@goldengrove.sa.edu.au stating the reason why it is needed (and it will be arranged for you.)

FOR SALE



A brand new 26 inch Standish Alpine Mountain bike (won as a prize but not able to be used). Sell for \$150.00.

Proceeds will go to the Immanuel Children's Home in Myanmar (Asia Focus). Please contact Pauline Taylor on 8251 3828 if interested.

LLL calendars & annual reports are available from the Church Foyer.

ALWS Gifts of Grace Catalogues

This Christmas why not give people close to you gifts that also bless those far away! Each gift represents the help you can give people in poor communities through the ALWS Overseas Program. You could choose a gift of chickens, goat, bicycle, seed kit, sewing machine. Check out the amazing gifts on offer in the ALWS catalogue available from our Church Fover and see how easy it is do. You can also buy Gifts of Grace on-line at www.alws.org.au/grace.

On the noticeboard

Each gift you buy is tax-deductible.

Please check the noticeboard for **Positions** Vacant, and other upcoming events.

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.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH at GGLF



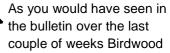
Come and join us for a hassle free relaxed lunch on Christmas Day. All members of GGLF, extended family and friends are

invited. Festive fare, no charge. Special Guest.

For catering please RSVP before 13th Dec 2009.

> Ring Marty - Home 8251 7108 or Mob 0439036177

CAN YOU HELP WITH Christmas Tree for our church



Lutheran church are unable to provide fresh Christmas trees this year. As we would still like to display a Christmas tree we are asking if anyone knows of another source for a fresh Christmas tree or if anyone has an artificial Christmas tree they would be prepared to loan to our church this year could you please let either Pastor Leon or Judith know. Thank you

CAROL SINGING at GLENSIDE HOSPITAL, off Fullarton Rd, ADE-

You are invited to come and share Christmas Joy, Carol Singing at Glenside Hospital on Sunday 13th December,

Meet at the front entrance car park at 1.45 pm for 2 pm start.

Afternoon tea will be provided. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Organised by Hospital Cheer Committee of the Lutheran Women of South Australia.

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.

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