Cell Groups at Penshurst Anglican Church

Our church calls itself a 'cell church', built upon the Biblical idea that the primary way that God's people can truly live out the Gospel is through small, intentional communities (called 'cells'). It is here where Jesus is given a far more intimate opportunity to do His work of transformation.

Day/time/frequency Meets monthly, last Monday of the month
Meets 2nd & 4th Thurs at 9:45am
Meets each Weds of term, 9:30 am
Meets fortnightly on Tues evenings
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Meets fortnightly on Weds evenings
Meets weekly on Thurs evenings
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Meets Friday eve, 7:30-9:30 pm
Meets each Sun. of term, 1pm in library

Sunday School:

Our Sunday School program runs during the 10:30am services, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Karen Fu & Michelle Lee (in basement of hall)
- Years 1-3 Coordinator: Nancy Feng (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Years 4-6 Coordinator: Naomi Zrno (in upper hall classroom 2)
- Years 7-8 Coordinator: John Oakes (in library)

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Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations) Stewart Leung (Mandarin speaking congregation) Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion (10:30am) Celebration services in English and Mandarin (7pm) 'The Quiet Place'

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The Voice

Penshurst Anglican Church

We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us through the visitor forms found in the pew holders.

Words of Wisdom from Shirley Guthrie

Before you ever thought of seeking out God to ask for God's love, God sought you out and acted in self-giving love for you. **Before** you even considered choosing Christ and making a decision for Him, Christ chose you and made a decision for you. **Before** you even heard about opening yourself to the freeing and renewing work of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit had already been at work in your life and in the world around you. **Before** it occurred to you to ask for your own and the world's salvation, while you were still trapped and dead in your sin and unbelief, it already happened in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and is happening through the presence of the living Christ and his Spirit in your life and in the world.

Therefore, accept ad live by this good news.

Not because you must, but because you may. Not because you are or want to be a godly, spiritual person, but because God loves, Christ died for, and the Spirit comes to ungodly, worldly sinners. Not because God is soft and indulgent in dealing with sin and sinners like you but because in Jesus Christ God has already taken on God's self the consequences of your sin

and the sin of the whole world.

Accept and live by this grace, because God has always been and will always be a loving and powerful, gracious God– even in those times when you are not sure you believe and despite the unbelief in the world around you.



Sunday, January 29, 2012

Preaching programme

Baptism: What's the point?				
Jan 29	Baptism and the Holy Spirit	Eph 4:1-6 John 14:15-20		
Feb 5	Baptism and Children	Col 2:8-15 Mark 10:13-16		
Feb 12	(Combined Service) Baptism and the Kingdom of God	Acts 8:26-39 Matt 28:16-20		

10:30 Service Leading and Music Roster

Date	Service Leading	Keys	Guitar	Drums	Vocals
Jan-29	Megan & Jeff's cell	Greg	Sue	Sam	Sue/
Feb-05	Kathie's cell	Rueves	Bart	Michael	Millie/Bart
Feb-12	Youth cell	Terence	Gordon	Joshua	Nancy?/

A new year of Sunday School starts today. Special thanks to Naomi Zrno for organising teachers and materials. Thanks also to Sun-Jae for getting our teachers trained in Safe Ministry over the past two Sundays. Everything is set for the start of another good year for our children and teachers!

Ages 3-5 meet in the basement of the hall.

Ages 6-8 meet in classroom 2 at the back of the hall.

Ages 9-11 meet in classroom 1 at the back of the hall.

Ages 12-14 meet in the library in the kitchen area of the church.

A contract was drawn up by the Parish Council to employ Aisen Ju as our Assistant Minister starting on the first of March, 2012. Please pray for Aisen and Wendy as they begin to search for an apartment and eventually move to Penshurst to start ministry. An induction ceremony will be held for them on March 4th in a Combined Service. Pray for them.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sun, Jan 29	Sunday School begins
Tues, Feb	ESL classes resume. 10:00am -1:30pm.
Sun, Feb 12th	Baptisms in the Georges' River, Oatley (1pm)
Sun, Feb 19th	Farewell to Stewart and Virginia
Sun, Feb 26th	2-4pm Info Session for English Camp in China
Sun, March 4th	Aisen and Wendy Ju's first Sunday with us
Sun, March 11th	Annual General Meeting (1pm)
March 23-25	Church Camp in the Blue Mountains

Pray for Dorcas Fellowship

You may not be aware of the work that our Dorcas Fellowship does in our community, so here is a sample of two letters received recently thanking the women of Dorcas for their kindness.

Dear Ladies,

I was so thrilled to receive a visit from one of you at Hurstville Private Hospital on the 15th of December. I chose a beautiful pink knitted beanie for my baby Matilda. Both of my grandmothers were also church-going women who loved to knit and sew and I know they would have loved tto be making baby clothes for Matilda. Your beautiful gift brought back wonderful loving memories of them for me. Thank you all so much for your generosity and time, and know that it was very much appreciated. We wish you a wonderful 2012. Yours sincerely, Leonie, Matilda and family.

To the Mothers' Union Ladies,

Thank you for the lovely handmade gift that was given to my son during my stay at Hurstville Private Hospital. It was a lovely gesture and I look forward to him wearing his little blue hat this winter. From Mrs. Sjoen Kuiper and family

Please pray for the Dorcas Ladies. Their numbers are dwindling due to illness and age. Any new members would be a wonderful boost to this important outreach ministry of our church.