# 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.

English-Speaking Cell Groups/	Day/time/frequency		
Bart & Kim VandenHengel	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/weekly		
Gaye Bishop	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/ fortnightly		
Merilyn Mayhew	Tuesday / 7:30pm/ weekly		
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly		
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Thursday/ 8:00pm/ weekly		
PAC Youth Group	Friday/ 7:30-9:30 pm/ weekly		
'The Quiet Place' prayer meeting	Sunday/7pm/weekly		

If you are interested in joining one of these cells, you can either talk directly to one of the group leaders or to Bart for more guidance on which cell will fit you best. You may even want to start your own!

#### **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: Selina Kwok (in upper hall classroom 1)
 Ages 6-7 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in basement of hall)
 Ages 8-10 Coordinator: Bart VandenHengel (in library)

Years 11-12+ Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



## Penshurst Anglican Church

2 Carrington St, Penshurst, NSW 2222

Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations)
Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregations)

Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion (10:30am) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin (6pm) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin

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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.





Sunday, 6 March, 2016

## Preaching program

# New Sermon Series: "Seeking God's Face!"

We continue following the readings from the Lectionary through Lent, with a special focus on the way the Jesus of the Gospels reveals the true nature of God as described in the Psalms. As Jesus said; "If you've seen Me, you've seen the Father."

March 6	A new appreciation of God's forgiveness	Psalm 32 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
March 13	A new appreciation of death	Psalm 126 John 12:1-8
March 20	(Palm Sunday)  A new appreciation of God's goodness	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Luke 19:28-40

**English Classes** are held each Sunday in the basement at 1:30pm. **All are welcome!** 

**<u>Bi-lingual evening service:</u>** For various reasons, some people cannot make it to our morning services. We have decided to experiment with a new (1 hour) bi-lingual service on Sunday evening (6pm), followed by refreshments.

It may be a good opportunity for you to bring a friend to church.!

Financial Q & A: Today at 12:30pm, our Parish Council will hold an open forum to discuss our financial issues.

AGM 2016: Next Sunday at 1 pm. Please plan to be there.

## Easter Week is quickly approaching!

Our annual **Passover Meal** will be held on Thursday, March 24 at 7pm. Please bring a dish to share as we go through the Passover story again.

Then, at 9am on **Good Friday**, we will gather in quiet reflection in the church to meditate on Christ's death for us.

Finally, our **Easter Sunday services** will be filled with the joy of Christ's resurrection. At 10:30am, our Sunday School classes will be singing for us!

# 10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
Mar-	Merilyn,	Team 2- Stephen, Bing, Aisen, <b>Will,</b> Lydia,	Holy Com-	Kim	Merilyn,
06	Margaret	Tina, Millie	munion		Cliff
Mar- 13	Millie, Naomi	Team 3- <b>Rueves &amp; Kat,</b> Gordon, Josh, Sarah, Zoey, Karen, Amy		Millie	Cliff, Steve
Mar-	Geoff, An-	Team 4- Brian, Gordon, Andrew, Michael,	Holy Com-	Chris Wu	Steve,
20	drew U.	Hua, Catherine, <b>Nancy Lee</b> , Amelia	munion		Doris

# Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 6	Meeting to Discuss PAC Financial Situation (12:30pm in hall)			
Sat., March 12	Child Protection Training— Mortdale Anglican (9am)			
Sun., March 13	Annual General Meeting (1 pm)			
Thurs., March 24	Passover Meal (7pm)			
Fri., March 25	Good Friday Service (9am)			
Sun., March 27	Easter Day Services (8am, 10:30am & 6pm)			

# **Pray for St George Hospital chaplaincy**

#### What delights God?

I wonder what causes you delight? Perhaps a person who is dear to you, or a favourite hobby, or a beautiful place that you love. I was recently struck by a phrase in Micah 7.18: "Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy." What a wonderful thought: that showing mercy to needy people is not a tedious chore for God, but a delight!

#### Who gets a visit?

You may wonder: In a hospital with about 600 beds, how does the chaplain decide who to visit? Thankfully, I don't have to try to cover all 600 patients single-handed! Most of our large team of volunteer chaplains have one ward in the hospital where they regularly visit each week. Like the volunteer chaplains, I have a couple of wards where I visit regularly: one of the surgical wards and the Older Persons' Mental Health Unit. I also try to 'back up' for any of the volunteer chaplains in their ward if they're away for an extended time. And I follow up any requests from patients or families who want an Anglican chaplain to visit. [I'm also grateful to several of the St George area ministers, who are willing to come to the hospital if I'm not available.]

## Ministry with staff.

"Hospital Bible Fellowship" is a lunchtime Bible study for hospital staff which I lead each week. We're usually quite a small group; but we value the opportunity to meet and support each other, and to explore how to live out our faith in the workplace. Some of our recent studies have been: "Work matters" (what the Bible teaches about work); a DVD series called "Towards belief"; and studies on prayer.

### **Prayer matters:**

Please pray for:

- \* Opportunities to offer comfort, forgiveness and hope in the name of Jesus as we visit in the hospital wards
- \* Christian staff in the hospital, and opportunities for me to support them
- \* Doors to remain open for Christian pastoral ministry in our public hospitals

#### Keep in touch!

Please let me know if you'd like to have this newsletter posted or emailed to you direct; or please let me know if you don't want to continue receiving it. My contact details are below.

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