WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday, 10th December 2017



God of Grace, God of Glory

Today: The God Who Loves the Nations



"God of Grace, God of Glory"

Sermon Series in the Book of Exodus "God of Grace, God of Glory"

In the Book of Exodus, we will discover how the true character of God never changes, especially during the toughest of times of life.

Dec. 10	The God Who Loves the Nations	Exodus 6: 1-13 Luke 2:21-32	
Dec. 17	The God Who Defeats Evil	Exodus 7:14-8:15	
Dec. 24	The God Who Calls Us to Decide	Exodus 12: 1-17	

Announcements

Are you interested in training to become a volunteer chaplain at St George Hospital?

The chaplains' team at St George Hospital is planning to offer training in the first half of 2018. (With our team of trained volunteers we provide pastoral care support to patients, families and staff across the hospital.)

The dates have not been finalised yet; but the initial training that we provide is in two parts of five days each. If you're interested in training to join our chaplains' team, please contact us by

15th February. You can contact us by phone (on 9113 2189) or email (david.lakos@health.nsw.gov.au).

Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible	Count
Dec. 10	Shiela, Kim	Team 4 - Kat, Subash, Joshua, Ruevern, Amy, Karen, Sarah Lin, Hua Feng, Lucy	Bing	Bing	Kwame/ Cliff
Dec. 17	Kim, Phil	Team 1 - Brian, Gordon, Andrew, Aisen, Bart, Nancy Lee, Michelle H., Wei Wei, Catherine	Holy Communion	Kim	Cliff/ Michelle
Dec. 24	Marina, Ronny	Team 2 - Joy, Bing, Michael, Ruevern, Joseph, Mille, Tina, Lucy, Vivienne	Gaye	Naomi	Michelle/ Geoff

Upcoming Events

Sun., Dec. 17	Sunday School Christmas Party
Sun., Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Carol Service
Sun., Dec. 25	Christmas Day Service

Prayer

As we enter the Second Week of Advent, our thoughts should be turning more and more to the coming of Christ at Christmas.

In the First Week of Advent,
we asked Christ to come to our aid.
As we move on to the second candle on our
Advent wreaths, our sense of expectation
increases, as we ask Him to help us to
prepare ourselves for both His coming at
Christmas and His Second Coming.



Although Jesus offers Himself freely, we must accept His offer of help by admitting the fact that we are not prepared; not only for the first coming of Christ that we will celebrate in a few weeks, but for His Second Coming at the end of time! We need His help to refocus our minds and hearts on Him, the Saviour of the world.

This verse from Isaiah 40:3 is often recited on the Second Sunday in Advent as a reminder to get ready for His coming: "The voice of one crying in the desert: Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the wilderness the paths of our God."

PRAYER FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Stir us up, O Lord, to prepare our hearts for the coming of Your only-begotten Son.

In our preparations, may we find ourselves be made increasingly worthy to serve You with purified minds and hearts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 and Kim VandenHengel	Tuesday/7:30pm/weekly		
Joy Watkinson/Margaret Tilbrook	Tuesday/7:30pm/fortnightly		
Megan and Jeff Powys	Thursday/7:30pm/weekly		
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Wednesday/8:00pm/weekly		
PAC Youth Group	Friday/7:30pm/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 service, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age and year at school:

Age 3-5 Coordinator: Tina Ung (in the basement of hall)

Years 1-3 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in upper hall classroom 1)

Years 4-6 Coordinator: Andrew Ung (Upper hall classroom 2)
Years 7+ Coordinator: George Chan (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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