

WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

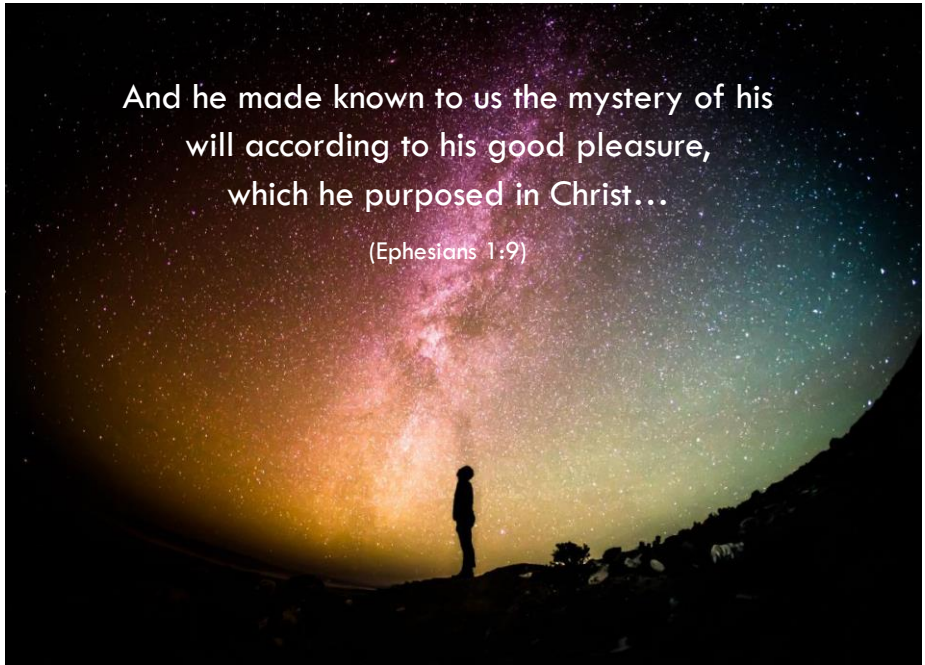
November 25, 2018

“In Christ”: The Power of Our New Identity

(Studies in Ephesians)

And he made known to us the mystery of his
will according to his good pleasure,
which he purposed in Christ...

(Ephesians 1:9)



Today: ***In Christ, I understand the mystery
of God's will.***



Preaching program

Upcoming Sermon Series:

In Christ: The Power of Our New Identity (Ephesians)

25 Nov	<i>In Christ, I understand the mystery of God's will</i>	Eph. 1:7-10, 3:2-11 Mark 4:10-12
2 Dec	<i>In Christ, I am marked and sealed by the Holy Spirit</i>	Eph. 1:13-14, 5:15-20
9 Dec	<i>In Christ, we are God's workmanship created to do good works</i>	Eph. 2:10, 4:4-13

Baptisms

If you are interested in getting baptised, our next baptisms will be held at the Georges' River on **Sunday, December 9th at 1pm.**

Please see Bart or Aisen **today** if you are thinking about taking this important step in your Christian life.



Godly Play

Starting in February 2019, Sunday School will be using a new curriculum called '**Godly Play**'. We're thankful that, yesterday, around 20 people were trained in how it works.

We still need more teachers and helpers for next year to lighten the load for all. More training will be offered next year!



Combined Choir!

A combined English/Mandarin choir is forming to sing a special piece of music on Sunday, **December 9th**. Rehearsals are held on Friday evenings at 7:30pm.

10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
25- Nov	Selina, Kim	Team 1- Brian, Gordon, Andrew, Aisen, Bart Nancy Lee, Michelle H., Wei Wei, Zoey	Gaye	Merilyn	Kwame, Cliff
2-Dec	Marina, Ronny	Team 2- Joy, Bing, Michael, Ruevern, Joseph, Millie, Tina, Lucy, Vivienne	Holy Com- munion	Joy	Cliff, Michelle
9-Dec	Saw See, Geoff	Team 3- Shirley, Bing, Sam, Allan, Bart, Gaye, Suganya, Li Sun, Lucy Z.	Merilyn	Bing	Michelle, Geoff

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sun., Dec 9	Baptisms (1pm)
Sun., Dec 16	Team Leaders Meeting (9:15am)
Sun., Dec 16	Sunday School Party
Mon., Dec 24	Christmas Eve service (9pm)
Tues., Dec	Christmas Day service (9am)

Pray for the Christians of Marawi in the Philippines

Just over a year ago, the city of **Marawi** in the southern Philippines was liberated from an Islamic extremist group linked to the Islamic State. Many are still affected, with thousands of Christians currently displaced.

On 23 May 2017, militants belonging to a group linked to the Islamic State had taken over Marawi. During the five months of fighting between the militants and government forces, 40% of the city was destroyed and 98% of the population displaced. Homes were ransacked and buildings set on fire, including a cathedral and a Christian college. Christians were targeted during the siege. A Catholic priest was among over a dozen being held hostage together.

To this day, many Marawi residents have not yet returned home. Much of the city is still in ruins. Scars of war run through the city. Gates and walls are punctured by bullet holes and are marked by crude army graffiti: “X” stands for “ISIS was present”. “XX” means the “presence of weapons or bombs”.

A local church leader said that the church in Marawi is helping both Christian and Muslim communities with shelter and food. “Even if the extremists try to ‘clean’ Marawi of Christians, Marawi will always have a Christian population,” he said. The government is aiming to complete the rehabilitation of the city by the fourth quarter of 2021. The first stage will include clearing of debris, which is just starting now.

Please Pray:

- Pray for displaced residents of Marawi that do not know Jesus, pray many come to know Him.
- Pray with the Church in Marawi, that they continue to be the light in their community.
- Pray for the victims of the war, for both physical and emotional healing.

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
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Thursday/ 8:00pm/ weekly
PAC Youth Group	Friday/7:30-9:30pm/ 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:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Tina Ung (in basement of hall)
- Years 1-3 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in upper hall classroom 2)
- Years 4-6 Coordinator: Andrew Ung (Upper hall classroom 1)
- Years 7+ Coordinator: John Oakes (in Library)



Penshurst Anglican Church

2 Carrington St, Penshurst, NSW 2222

Senior Pastor: Bart VandenHengel

Assistant Pastor: Aisen Ju

Sunday Services: 8am Prayer Book Service with 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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