

# WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

March 31, 2019

**Isaiah:** Prophet of impending doom  
and unexpected salvation



Today:  
***God's Ever-Expanding Family***





# Preaching program

## Sermon Series for Lent

### *Isaiah: Prophet of impending doom and unexpected salvation*

7 April	<b>God's Ever-Expanding Family</b> (combined service)	Isaiah 54:1-5 John 4:46-54
14 April	<b>The Great Invitation</b> (Preacher- Gaye Bishop)	Isaiah 55:1-13 John 6:30-35
19 April	(Good Friday) <b>The Suffering Servant</b>	Isaiah 52:13– 53:12
21 April	(Easter Day) <b>The Divine Servant</b>	Isaiah 59:15b-21

**Combined Service—** At 10:30am today, the Fellowship and Sunday Worship Teams have organised a combined service with a special focus on our *Children's Ministry*. The service will be followed by a BBQ lunch and games.

**Baptisms—** Every Easter, we hold baptisms in the Georges' River at Oatley. If you would like to be baptised this Easter Sunday, please talk to Bart or Aisen.

**Combined Choir for Easter—** Rehearsals are on Friday evenings starting at 7:30pm.

**Passover Meal—** The Fellowship Team is organising this year's meal. Come & Enjoy!

**Parking problems—** Many people are blocking others in! Starting today, we will have parking attendants who will pull a chain across the car park entrance **at 10:30!**

**Sunday School Co-ordinator and Family Minister —** The AGM has approved to hire (on a part-time basis) a *Sunday School Co-ordinator and Family Pastor*. A new budget will be prepared to reflect this new financial commitment.

## 10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
7- Apr	Naomi, Bill	Team 4- Shirley, Gordon, Ray, Andrew, Nancy, Suganya, WeiWei, Morgan	Holy Com- munion	Chris	Michelle, Kwame
14- Apr	Marina, Ronny	Team 1- Brian, Stephen, Sam/Josh, Michelle H., Karen, Anna, Zoey	Gaye	Andrew	Kwame, Geoff
21- Apr	Saw See, Phil	Team 2- Kat, Bing, Michael, Joseph, Tina, Millie, Lucy, Tony	Holy Com- munion	Bing	Geoff, Cliff



## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sun., April 7	<b>Combined Service</b> with BBQ lunch
Mon., April 8	<b>Parish Council Meeting</b> (7:30pm)
Sun., April 14	<b>Bart away</b> (Gaye preaches)
Thursday, April 18	<b>Passover Meal</b> (7pm)
Friday, April 19	<b>Good Friday Service</b> (9am)
Sunday, April 21	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
Sunday, April 21	<b>Baptisms</b> (1pm at Oatley Baths)
Sunday, April 28	<b>Team Leaders Meeting</b> (12:30pm)

## Pray for SRE at Penshurst Girls High School

*(Our church, along with 5 other local churches, financially supports the work of Elizabeth McDougall as Scripture Teacher at PGHS. Please support her, also, in prayer.)*

### Thanks

Thank you once again for your prayers and support for SRE at PG. This is my 5th year there. I'm very grateful for being part of the PG community. It's still a job that I love. It's a joy to teach the gospel to 120 students, fortnight by fortnight.

### The New Year

The new school year has settled into a pattern and a rhythm but got off to a much harder start than normal.

The first few weeks were very taxing. There have been a number of challenges as the school made major changes to the timetabling for SRE. There will be some advantages but can you pray that the new timetable would not frustrate the teachers who are impacted or the students, and that I would be able to make it work as smoothly as possible?

Another change that impacted the start of the year was the implementation of the Department of Education new processes for SRE. This is a state-wide change. It essentially means that SRE has changed from opt-out to opt-in (for new enrolments). Again, there are advantages to the new system, but getting things up and running the first time is always full of learning experiences. As was expected, SRE enrolment numbers are significantly lower across the state- in the case of Penshurst Girls' 27 girls are doing SRE in Yr 7 this year compared to 65 last year. However it is clear that the girls who are in class have definitely chosen to be there.

### For Prayer

- Thank God for the continued opportunity to be able to share the gospel at PG and for the girls who are in SRE classes.
- Thank God that the lunchtime group (ISCF) is able to run.
- Pray for more girls to come to SRE and ISCF.
- Pray for the school: for the Principal, Noeline Ross, as she leads the school and implements policy; for the rest of the school leadership team, all the teachers and also the support staff, as they each use their skills in the school community.

### SRE PENSHURST GIRLS



Elizabeth McDougall



# 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 3-4      Coordinators: Will Sun (in upper classroom 2)
- Pre-School      Coordinator: Naomi Zmo (in basement of hall)
- Primary      Coordinator: Andrew Ung (in upper classroom 1)
- Secondary      Coordinator: John Oakes (in Libray)



## 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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