

# WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

May 26, 2019

*The Beatitudes—*  
**Present Evidence of God's Future Kingdom**



**“Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.”**

*-Matthew 5:4*

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# Preaching program

Sermon Series:

## The Beatitudes— Present Evidence of God's Future Kingdom

26 May	<b>Blessed are those who mourn</b>	Romans 7:21-25 Matthew 9:18-26
2 June	<b>Blessed are the meek</b> (Combined Service)	Psalms 37:1-11 Matthew 11:25-30
9 June	<b>Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness</b>	Psalms 37:25-29 Matthew 15:1-9

**Combined 10:30am Service—** On Sunday, June 2, we will learn more about our **Discipleship Team** and the wonderful small group ministry that functions behind the scenes at our church. A BBQ lunch will follow where you can browse over displays from each of our various small groups.

**More 'Welcomers' Needed-** Recently, the number of official 'welcomers' at our 10:30am service has dropped to only 10 people. Will you become a 'welcomer'?

**Sunday School News—** To date, the income from recycling empty bottles has been \$850. Of that, \$500 was spent on materials for Godly Play. Thank you for your efforts!

**Exposure Trip-** PAC is planning to send 4-6 people to visit

- \* When and for how long? Five to seven days in the September School Holiday Period.
- \* Purpose? To strengthen our relationship with the Friends and encourage their ministry; to deepen our understanding of the community and culture in
- \* Costs? Flights range from \$800 to \$1,200 return plus daily costs of \$100 per person.
- \* Please see **Marina Leung** if interested (0413 467 057)

**A word about Parking-** We are continuing the trial of a new system of registering all cars that are double-parked and advising the owners before the service concludes that they need to go out and remove their cars from the parking lot.

## 10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
26- May	Saw See, Geoff	Team 4- Shirley, Gordon, Ray, Andrew, Nancy, Suganya, Leo, Eve	Cliff	Naomi	Cliff, Geoff
2- Jun	Millie, Kim	Team 3- Joy, Subash, Aisen, Lucy, Amy, John, Hua, Vivienne	Holy Com- munion	Chris	Geoff, Doris
9- Jun	Phil, Naomi	Team 1- Brian, Stephen, Sam/Josh, Bart, Michelle H., Louise, Anna, Zoey	Geoff	Andrew	Doris, Michelle

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 26	<b>Discipleship, Sunday Worship &amp; Fellowship Teams Meet (9am)</b>
Sunday, June 2	<b>Combined Service</b> (focus on the Discipleship Team)
Sunday, July 7	<b>Bart on holidays</b>

## Pray for Christians in Burkina Faso

On April 29, 2019, terrorists arrived after a Sunday church service to force Christians to deny their faith in Jesus. When the pastor refused, he and his young daughter, son-in-law, and three others were killed.

It is the second reported church attack this month. Fighters affiliated to al-Qaeda and the Islamic State group as well as the local Ansarul Islam have been active. Many Christians are being actively and violently persecuted, forced to flee for their lives or be killed. Missionaries and tourists have been abducted from this country since 2016.

Yet even in the face of danger, the Christians of Burkina Faso will not abandon their faith. Not only do they continue to place their hope and trust in the Lord Jesus, but the church is growing under persecution.

Let us join them in trusting God for their protection and for powerful change in this nation. We are calling everyone to pray for believers in Burkina Faso. We can't possibly imagine what they're going through but we can stand with them in prayer. Although ministry programs have been interrupted due to the increasing violence against churches, we must pray that God will bring the peace and comfort found in God's Word to all Burkinabé.

- **Pray for those being persecuted.** Ask God to protect them. Pray that their witness would inspire those who seek to harm them. Also pray that those who have fled their homes will receive housing, water, food, medication, and clothes through the generosity of others.
- **Pray for those persecuting Christians.** Ask God to work a miracle in the hearts of the oppressors. Pray that God will change their hearts so that they will stop causing harm to others.
- **Pray for the church.** Pray that the church will not only withstand persecution but it will be a powerful witness to the truth and saving power of Jesus Christ.
- **Pray for the government.** Ask God to give government leaders wisdom and resources to stop the violence in this nation.



# 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 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

### Contact details:

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