

WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

June 9, 2019

The Beatitudes—
Present Evidence of God's Future Kingdom



Today:
***Blessed are those who hunger
and thirst for righteousness***



Preaching program

Sermon Series:

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9 June	<i>Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness</i>	Psalm 37:25-29 Matthew 15:1-9
16 June	<i>Blessed are the merciful</i>	Colossians 3:12-14 Matthew 9:27-34
23 June	<i>Blessed are the pure in heart</i>	Psalm 15 Matthew 15:10-20

Attention: All Music Teams! On Saturday, June 22, the Sunday Worship Team is organising a special half-day for all our music teams to come together for encouragement, teaching and specialised training. It’s important that we use our gifts well and in a coordinated way as we lead God’s people in worship. We hope everyone can make this event!

Building Report- On Sunday, June 2nd, the building sub-committee (Geoff Scrimmes, David Lin and David Burdon) met to lay-out the necessary steps to renovating our kitchen, breezeway, hall and classrooms. Over the next few weeks, they will be speaking to all involved parties to get feedback before the building plans are finalised. We look forward to their work!

More ‘Welcomers’, ‘Counters’ and ‘Bible Readers’ are needed- The church is made up of many people with different gifts. What gift do you have to offer?

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!

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
9-Jun	Phil, Naomi	Team 1- Brian, Stephen, Sam/Josh, Bart, Michelle H., Louise, Anna, Zoey	Geoff	Andrew	Doris, Michelle
16-Jun	Bill, Geoff	Team 2- Kat, Bing, Michael, Joseph, Michelle L., Millie, Lucy, WeiWei	Holy Com- munion	Bing	Michelle, Kwame
23-Jun	Marina, Ronny	Team 3- Joy, Subash, Aisen, Lucy, Amy, John, Hua, Vivienne	Gaye	Joy	Kwame, Cliff

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 16	Team Leaders Meeting (12:30pm)
Monday, June 17	Parish Council meets (7:30pm)
Saturday, June 22	Music Team Training Day
Sunday, July 7	Bart on holidays

Pray for the People's Republic of China

This week marks the 30th anniversary of the *Tian An Men Square massacre*, when the rising hope for a new and just China was quickly crushed by Communist Party brutality.

Despite that tragedy, these past thirty years have seen enormous change as China opened its borders to international trade and economic prosperity rapidly increased for millions of its citizens. Christianity has also flourished during these past thirty years, with *the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life* estimating **over 67 million Christians in China**. (Other researchers claim there are over 100 million Christians!)

There are, however, new signs that a brutal and prolonged period of struggle for Christians in China has begun. Indeed, because of new technology, believers may face an even greater challenge than during the dark days of the Cultural Revolution. The dark forces of aggressive, God-hating atheism are alive and well in China.

Please Pray for China

* **Praise God** that He has done a wonderful work of grace in China despite the nearly 70 years of Communist rule! Today, there are many Christians who love the Lord Jesus with all their hearts and are willing to lay down their lives for the Gospel. Pray this persecution will cause the Church to **rise up and claim even more of their country for the kingdom of God**.

* **Please pray the kingdom of Jesus Christ would be strengthened and would grow** even larger as a result of the current anti-Christian campaign. Pray that Satan would not have his way, but that God's children would be covered by the Blood of Jesus and would come through the tribulations refined like pure gold.

* Ask God to glorify His Name once again among the people of China, and that by breaking down into tiny groups of believers, the **churches will get back to the basics of the faith** and introduce more people to the Lord than ever before.

* Most of the younger generation of Christian leaders in China have never experienced severe, physical persecution. Understandably, many are nervous. Please pray our **Heavenly Father would reveal Christ's all-sufficiency to them**, and they would come through to the other side closer to God and better equipped to lead His people.

* **Pray the Holy Spirit would give His children heavenly wisdom** and strategies to know what to do in this crisis, and that the transformative power of the Gospel will continue to be shared to the one billion people in China who have not yet bowed their knee to the Lord.

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

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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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