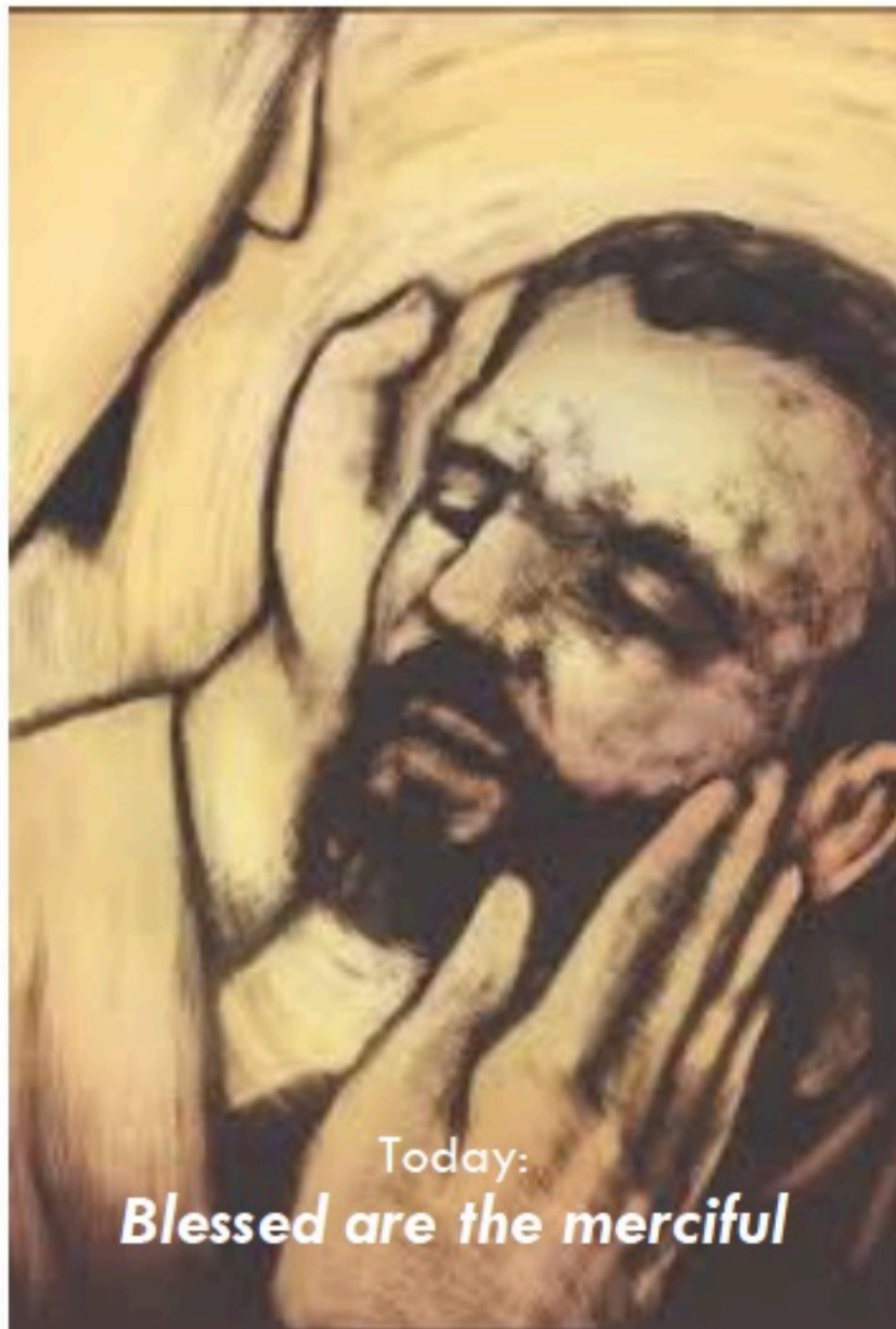


WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

June 16, 2019

The Beatitudes— Present Evidence of God's Future Kingdom



Today:
Blessed are the merciful



Preaching program

Sermon Series:

The Beatitudes— Present Evidence of God's Future Kingdom

16 June	<i>Blessed are the merciful</i>	Psalm 103:8-14 Matthew 9:27-34
23 June	<i>Blessed are the pure in heart</i>	Psalm 15 Matthew 15:10-20
30 June	<i>Blessed are the peacemakers</i>	James 3:13-18 Matthew 26:47-56

Attention: All Music Teams! On Saturday, July 13, 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!

A Family Pastor! The Parish Council has chosen our new Family Pastor who will begin in September and work two days per week. Her name is **Tiny** (pronounced Tinny) **Tse**, originally from Hong Kong but fluent in Mandarin and English. She is theologically trained (BMin, Morling and MA, SMBC) with studies in Education. Her main tasks will be:

- To nurture and encourage deeper relationship with Christ for women and children.
- To provide Pastoral Care for women and children.
- To oversee and grow Children's Ministry programs within the Church.
- To develop opportunities for outreach into the wider local community.

Please pray for Tiny as she transitions to working with us!

10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
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
30-Jun	Selina, SawSee	Team 4- Shirley, Gordon, Ray, Andrew, Nancy, Suganya, Leo, Eve	Merilyn	Kathie	Geoff, Cliff

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 16	Team Leaders Meeting (12:30pm)
Monday, June 17	Parish Council meets (7:30pm)
Sunday, July 7	Bart on holidays
Saturday, July 13	Music Team Training Day
Sunday, July 14	Sunday School Teachers Meeting

Pray for Christians in Eritrea

On Friday, 10 May, security officials arrested 141 Christians in Eritrea's capital city of Asmara. Over 100 of those arrested were women and children. Reportedly, the men were sent to Adi Abeito prison and the women to the police station. None of them have been charged yet, but concern is growing over their wellbeing, particularly that of the children and the elderly.

Just last week, another two dozen Pentecostal Christians were reportedly arrested in what now seems to be a governmental crackdown against nondenominational Christianity. The Eritrean

government, which has been run by President Isaias Afwerki since the country's independence from Ethiopia in 1993, only recognizes four religious affiliations — Orthodox Christianity, Sunni Islam, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Eritrea and the Catholic Church.

Eritrea is one of the most corrupt countries in the world. Christians are arrested, harassed, and have even lost their lives because they are considered a threat to the government. Eritrea currently ranks #7 on the *World Watch List*, Open Doors' annual ranking of the 50 most dangerous places to live as a Christian.

Prisons in Eritrea are notorious for their harsh conditions and brutality. Christians previously imprisoned because of their faith were tortured and denied medical attention. Many have been behind bars for years or decades, even though they were never formally charged with a crime.

Last year, authorities in Eritrea released Pastor Oqbamichel Haiminot, the senior pastor of Kale Hiwot (Word of Life) Church in Asmara after he spent over 11 years in prison. Haiminot was among 60 evangelical Christians arrested in 2005 during a wedding ceremony and taken to Sawa military center.

Pray For Eritrea:

- Pray that those arrested will experience the Lord's peace and comfort and that their faith will not waver as they endure persecution.
- Pray that God will soften the hearts of Eritrean leaders and bring many of them to know Him.
- Pray that God will embolden Christians in Eritrea and give them wisdom, discernment and courage as they follow Jesus in dangerous places.



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

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