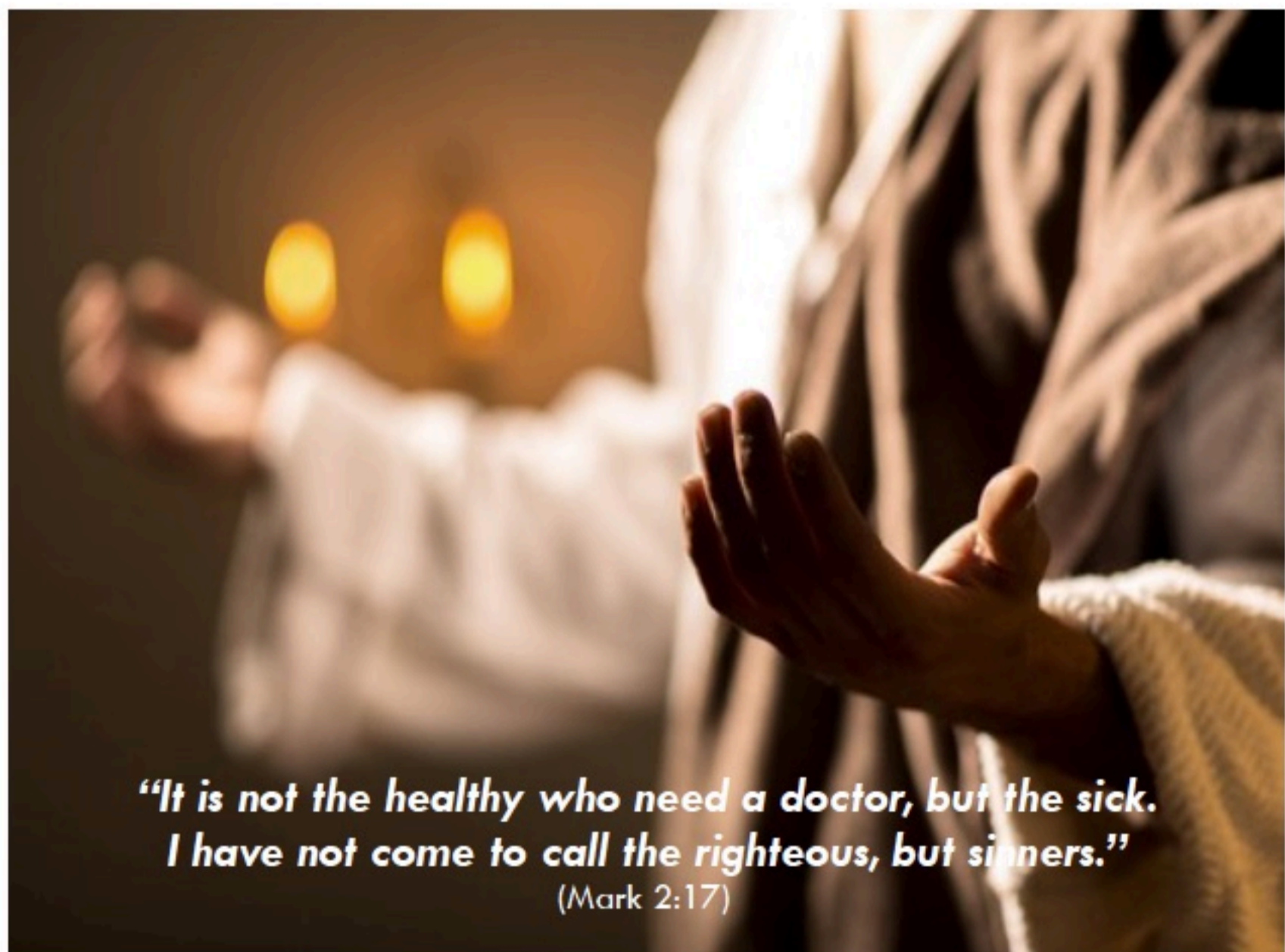


# WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

September 29, 2019

## Christianity Explained



*"It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.  
I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."  
(Mark 2:17)*





## Preaching program

New Sermon Series

### “Christianity Explained”

7 Sermons on the Basics of the Christian Faith

29 Sept	<i>1– What does it mean to be a Christian?</i>	Mark 2:13-17 Acts 11:19-26
6 Oct	<i>2– Who is Jesus Christ? His Life</i> (preacher: Tiny Tse)	Mark 1:21-39
13 Oct	<i>3– Who is Jesus Christ?</i> <i>His Death</i>	Mark

**Bilingual Choir**— Our bilingual choir will be singing for us today. The song is entitled “Oceans”, taken from the story of Jesus calling Peter to walk on the water with Him.

**Daylight Savings!** Don't forget that next Sunday we will lose an hour of sleep when we turn our clocks ahead for daylight savings.

**Report from our Building Sub-Committee.** The building sub-committee of the Parish Council met on Wednesday night to consider your feedback and put together a final draft from which we can obtain the necessary cost estimates for your consideration. Thanks to everyone who gave feedback. This next draft, along with the associated costs, will hopefully be ready to present to the church before the end of October.

**Godly Play Training.** Pray for our many Sunday School teachers who will be receiving special training this week in Manly on the special attributes of Godly Play.

**Church Camp!** This year's church camp will be held from November 8-10 at the Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. Our speaker will be **Peter Steicke** and his theme is

**Bottles and cans** — The money from bottle and can recycling helps to pay for resources to equip our Godly Play curriculum. Please keep them coming in!

## 10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
29-Sep	Marina, Ronny	Team 1- Brian, Stephen, Sam/Josh, Bart, Michelle H., Louise, Anna, Zoey	Gaye	Andrew	Michelle, Kwame
6-Oct	Saw See, Geoff	Team 2- Kat, Bing, Michael, Joseph, Michelle L., Millie, Lucy, WeiWei	Holy Com- munion	Bing	Kwame, Cliff
13-Oct	Millie, Kim	Team 3- Joy, Subash, Aisen, Lucy, Amy, John, Hua, Vivienne	Merilyn	Joy	Cliff, Geoff



## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Oct. 2 – Oct. 4	<b>Godly Play Training</b> (Manly)
Oct 5–11	<b>Bart away</b> for his daughter's wedding (Tiny preaches)
Sun., Oct 6	<b>Daylight Savings Begins</b>
Sun., Oct 13	<b>Sunday School Teachers Meeting</b> (12:30pm)
Mon., Oct 14	<b>Parish Council Meets</b>
Sun., Oct 27	<b>Team Leaders Meeting</b>
Nov 8-10	<b>Church Camp</b>

### Pray for Elizabeth McDougall at Penshurst Girls High School

This morning, a team of local pastors and I had the lovely privilege of taking the Years 9s and 10s for their SRE seminars. We spent the hour unpacking the story of the lost sons and their Father from Luke 15. Discussion group conversations were full of gospel language and reflections from girls who knew and understood the story well to others who had never encountered it before. It is so encouraging to have the team of ministers come into the school each term and be part of the ministry there. They are a blessing! Thank you to the supporting churches for enabling this to happen.

Part of the sweetness of the morning was having the Year 9s there. It was a great consolidation of the time that I've been able to have with them during roll call this term. Please pray for them. Some are keen Christians and had humble and insightful reflections about God's grace. Others saw the parable with new eyes and had questions. One girl told me she's not religious at all but that she understood something about the story. Please pray for her. I've encouraged her to read Luke. Pray that the rich story of God's grace and forgiveness might stay in all these girls' hearts and that they might know that it is for them.

#### Encouragement and Prayer

- Please pray for the Year 8s. They have kept the questions coming thick and fast this term as we study Genesis 1-11. So much to learn about God, about people, about the value and meaning he gives our lives, about the brokenness of our world... May I teach these truths clearly and excellently.
- The Year 7s are flying at a fast pace as we aim to get an overview of the whole Bible in this unit. Some of the girls who have the greatest enthusiasm in my classes are from nominal backgrounds or other faiths. It's wonderful to look to the Bible and seek answers from God's word together. Please pray for them, that they might seek and find Jesus.
- Something I would urge you to pray about, especially at this point in the year, is the SRE participation letter. This letter goes out to all new enrolments. Please pray that all the parents of new students would have a clear understanding of how SRE operates at PG and that many would take up the opportunity of going to SRE.
- Pray for the principal, Noeline Ross, as she leads the school, that she would have wisdom in all the dimensions of her role.

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)
- Kindergarten      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 in English and Mandarin

10:30am Bi-lingual Celebration Service in English and Mandarin

6pm Celebration Service in English

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