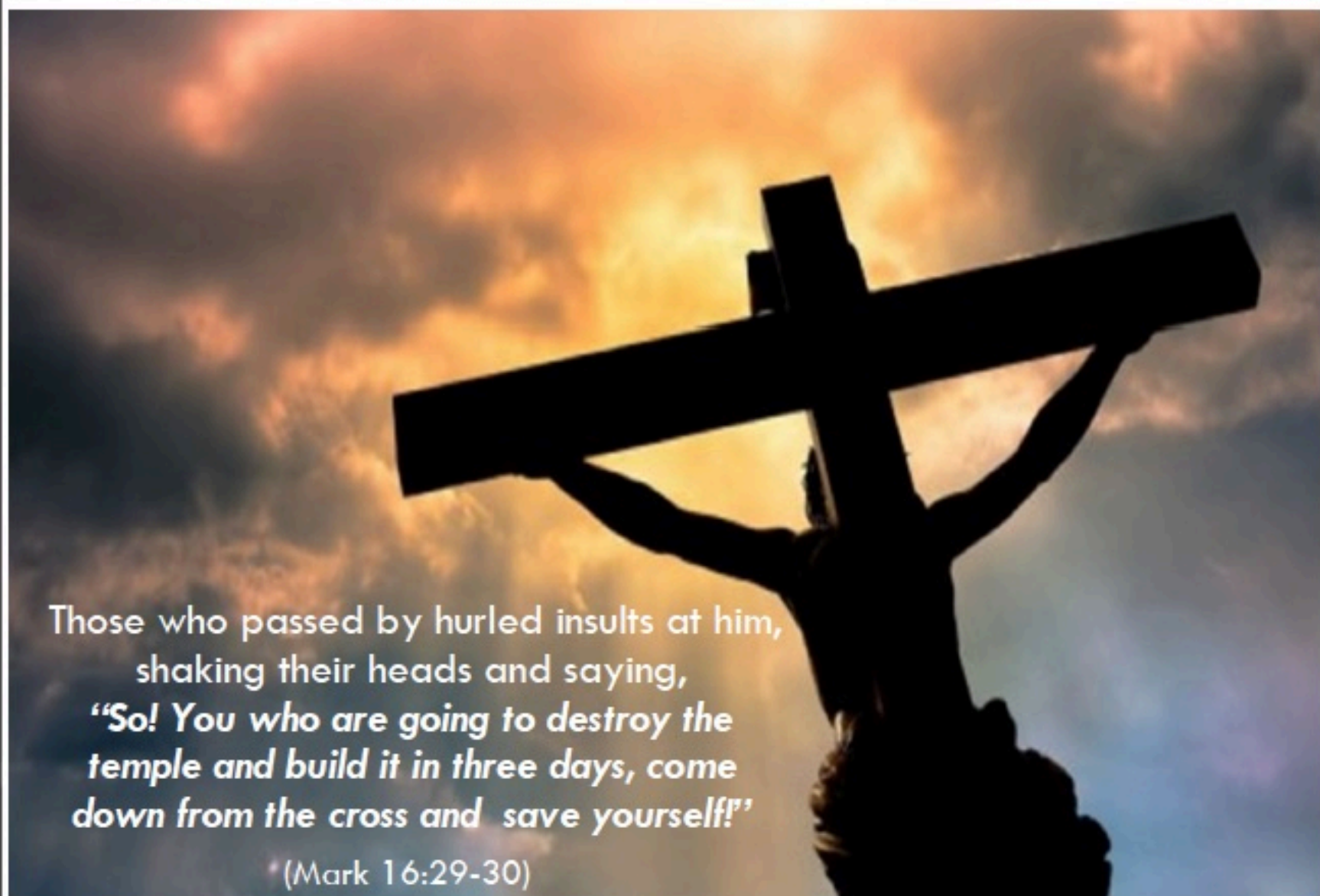


WELCOME TO PENSHURST ANGLICAN CHURCH

October 13, 2019

Christianity Explained



Those who passed by hurled insults at him,
shaking their heads and saying,
*“So! You who are going to destroy the
temple and build it in three days, come
down from the cross and save yourself!”*

**(Mark 16:29-30)*



Preaching program

New Sermon Series

“Christianity Explained”

7 Sermons on the Basics of the Christian Faith

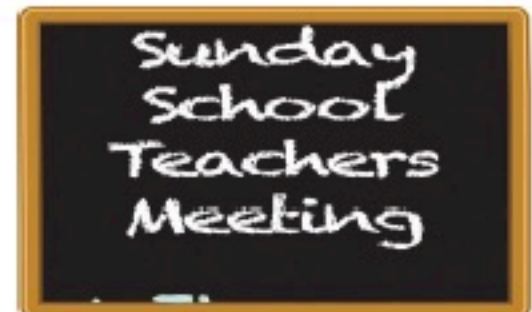
13 Oct	3- <i>Who is Jesus Christ?</i> <i>His Death</i>	2 Corinthians 5:17- 6:2 Mark 15:25-39
20 Oct	4- <i>Who is Jesus Christ?</i> <i>His Resurrection</i>	Mark 15:42- 16:8
27 Oct	5- <i>What must we do?</i> <i>Recognise</i>	Mark 5:21-43

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 **“Something Better!”**

Early Bird rate ends today!

Sunday School Teachers Meeting- There will be a meeting of our Sunday School teachers this afternoon at 12:30pm to discuss Term 3 and prepare for Term 4. The meeting will be chaired by our new Family Pastor, Tiny.



Team Leaders Meeting- The next quarterly meeting of our team leaders will be held next Sunday, October 20, at 12:30pm.

Report from our Building Sub-Committee. The building sub-committee hopes to have a final draft of the building plans, along with the associated costs, ready to present to the church family before the end of October. Our thanks to the Building Committee!

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
13-Oct	Millie, Kim	Team 3- Joy, Subash, Aisen, Lucy, Amy, John, Hua, Vivienne	Merilyn	Joy	Cliff, Geoff
20-Oct	Phil, Gavin	Team 4- Shirley, Gordon, Ray, Andrew, Nancy, Suganya, Leo, Eve	Holy Com- munion	Kathie	Geoff, Doris
27-Oct	Saw See, Geoff	Team 1- Brian, Stephen, Sam/Josh, Bart, Michelle H., Louise, Anna, Zoey	Nancy	Millie	Doris, Michelle

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sun., Oct 13	Sunday School Teachers Meeting (12:30pm)
Mon., Oct 14	Parish Council Meeting (7:30pm)
Sun., Oct 20	Team Leaders Meeting (12:30pm)
Nov 8-10	Church Camp

Pray for the Girls of the Persecuted Church

In October each year, Open Doors celebrates the UN's *International Day Of The Girl Child*, a day that aims to celebrate and encourage girls' empowerment and fulfilment of their human rights. It also highlights the challenges that girls all over the world face. In many countries, being young, female and Christian makes you vulnerable to persecution. Yet girls of the persecuted church are showing maturity beyond their years and standing up for their faith, no matter the cost.

Susan from Uganda

When Susan's Islamic family found out she was a Christian, her father locked her in a room and told her to sit on a mat until she was willing to deny Jesus. She remained there, unmoving, for three months. Susan was found nearly starved, confined in the filthy, airless room on her mat. She was unable to walk and weighed less than 20 kilograms. When Susan was asked why she didn't leave the mat, she said, "I cannot leave Jesus. He has given me eternal life and even if I died there, I was sure that I would go to Him."

Saree from India

Saree was only 11 when her family disowned her for following Jesus. After her brother found out that she was secretly attending church, he beat and threatened her. When Saree refused to stop attending church, her father threw her out of their home, saying that she was no longer their daughter. Saree is now living with an aunt in a nearby village. Her faith means that she is unable to attend school or see her family. "I miss my family a lot," she said. "But God has said that he will never leave nor forsake us... He is a father to the fatherless. "I won't leave Jesus."

Unstoppable

As the cost of following Jesus rises, many more will be forced to make hard choices about their lives and faith. These girls of the persecuted church represent the next generation of faith all over the world.

This year, the UN's International Day Of The Girl Child is celebrating "unstoppable" girls. When girls of the persecuted church are empowered with the unstoppable gospel, they can withstand extreme persecution to witness the worth of Jesus to those around them. There are always going to be things that try to stop us from following Jesus. We can't avoid them, but we can overcome them, together.

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 Zrno (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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