



## GGLC OFFICE

**Please Note New Office Hours Until Further Notice**



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## 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020—Sixth Sunday of Easter

Please join us this Sunday in our livestreamed Service—9.30am  
Please visit the church website <https://www.gglc.org.au> for links of  
YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEnQVJInZt7ubvRVPB87yeA> or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/gglc.lca/>

### Gift of the Holy Spirit



The Gospel message today begins and ends with commands by Jesus to obey Him by loving others. Few of us would read these words without at least a little bit of discomfort knowing just how unloving and disobedient we can be! The ‘between’ narrative concerning the Holy Spirit restores our comfort.

The disciples were frightened and confused through Jesus’ discourse about leaving them but He assures them, “It is to your advantage that I go!” They would not be left as ‘orphans’ - bereft of protection, provision or guidance for the Son was going to the loving Father to plead for those He loved, so that they would receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit would bring the truth to life in them, in us, making faith possible, faith to believe in the redemptive work of Christ and the resurrection that the Spirit would accomplish. A personal connection with us, intimate between us and God, one that would inspire relationship, just like Jesus’ relationship with the disciples and the Father’s relationship with the Son. That personal! Jesus embodied God and now, the Holy Spirit embodies God in us. And that embodiment ensures the fulfilment of Jesus’ promise, “Because I live, you will live also.” Our eternity is settled. Now to get on with the business of living, or loving. Living in us, the Holy Spirit helps us express devotion to God that flows over into compassionate love to others.

Jesus wanted us to have the Holy Spirit, it is the only way we can be Christians, the only way we can love God and serve others.

*Thank You Lord God for this incredible gift, fill us daily with Your Spirit that we may love and obey. Amen.*

*Margey Knapp*



### Readings This Week:

**Acts 17:22-31**  
**1 Peter 3:13-22**  
**John 14:15-21**

You Can Now Download Weekly Readings!!

CLICK HERE



### Online Worship Opportunities

|                        |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Sunday 17th May</b> | <b>9.30 am</b> |
| <b>Sunday 24th May</b> | <b>9.30 am</b> |

### Kids at Heart

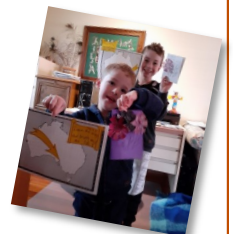
During the service this week, we will be looking at “The Holy Spirit is our Helper” based on John 14:16-17a

**Check Out GGLC Website For Children Activities With This Weeks Theme!!**

CLICK HERE



**Remember to continue to send in your weekly artwork submissions. We love seeing what the children are creating! Please also share our webpage with family members to view your child’s master pieces!**



*The Children’s program operates under the ChildSafe LCA program which is a safety and risk management system with a focus on keeping children and young people safe in their programs and activities.*

# What's Happening In Our Community

Just a reminder...

## GGLC Notice of Annual General Meeting



GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

A special invitation is extended to all members of Golden Grove Lutheran Church to virtually attend our congregation's Thirty-second Annual General Meeting. This is an opportunity to share in the decision-making activities of our congregation and to become aware of the efforts being expended through God's Spirit in our community.

**Sunday 24th May 2020 - 11am**

*Due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings, this meeting will be held by Zoom teleconference. Teleconference details will be issued on completion of registration.*

Please register to attend using the form on GGLC website.

<https://bit.ly/gglcagm2020>

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**

Digital copies of the AGM Book of Reports is available on registration page.

Printed copies will be available upon request.

### SYNOD CONVENTION UPDATE

The **49th Synod Convention** was to be held this weekend at Redeemer Lutheran School in the Barossa Valley, but due to the Covid 19 this has not happened.

The delegate (Rosalie Hoklas) has received the **Book of Reports** and will cover a few points of interest raised over the next few weeks. It is important that we as a congregation, know what happens within our wider SA & NT church community and continue to pray for our leaders.

The theme for synod is "**The Hope we Have**" 1 Peter 3:15. Pastor David Altus is the Bishop and the delegates will be voting to maintain the elected bishop, vice bishop and District church Council until 2021, to maintain continuity and stability due to challenges that the Corona virus has brought about.

Listed are a couple of points from Bishop Altus report.


\*In all the uncertainty of the current threat to wellbeing, "lives and livelihoods", we are also seeing previously unseen collaboration and cooperation, sacrifice, creativity, consideration and kindness. The church has a significant role right now,..... We have a hope to share that is for more than this life. Our hope is in the God we know in Jesus Christ. Our hope is based on Easter. We have a wonderful opportunity in new and creative ways to share that hope with individuals and our communities.

\* Disaster responses: I am inspired by how God's people responded to support each other during the drought and recent bushfires. Be assured the District staff handled and administered your donations faithfully and in a timely way, in consultation with local people in the fire affected areas.

For more details and to read the report in full go to our church website - [https://www.gglc.org.au/church/application/files/7415/8950/3853/2020\\_Book\\_of\\_Reports\\_FINAL.pdf](https://www.gglc.org.au/church/application/files/7415/8950/3853/2020_Book_of_Reports_FINAL.pdf)

Report by Rosalie Hoklas (congregation delegate)



  
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MAX 10 PEOPLE  
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[WWW.CAFECONNECT.COM.AU](http://WWW.CAFECONNECT.COM.AU)  
TODAY!!  
OPENING HOURS  
MON-FRI: 8AM - 11AM

Remember to check out Pastor Greg's Daily Devotion Videos.

CLICK



<https://www.gglc.org.au/church/index.php/publications/bible-study-Pastor-Greg>

# ASAROKA NEWS

*Pastor Jacob & Teacher Daniel have both been in contact in the last week and the following is the news from Asaroka.*

“Thank you for your prayers because they are especially helping us. Behalf of me and my family I wish you and all the mothers at Golden Grove a Happy Mother’s Day. Shalom.”

- Our carpenters & plumbers are putting water taps & sinks from the main gate, road along the assembly ground, entrance to dining hall and dormitory area for both boys and girls.
- Dormitories are renovated & painted as advice from education & health authorities. One dormitory each for male & female are converted to isolation centre in the event that any student suspicious of Covid 19 will be isolated.



*Ablution Block & Tuffa Tanks*



*Len Tscharke Memorial*

- Mrs Patricia Reupana is sewing 3,000 plus masks for both students and staff.
- School was to resume on the May 11th. Everyone will be a day student for the start. No one will reside at the school. Grades 9 & 11 will attend Tuesday & Thursdays; Grades 10 & 12 on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. We are trying to control the social distancing. At this stage no one has been affected but we are taking precautions.
- The school has purchased 3 tuffa tanks to store water and the carpenters are working hard. The school employed a few casuals to clear the dam because the health people are recommending it.
- The tractor continues to plough and rice planting is continuing.
- The Len Tscharke memorial plaques are done, but the memorial is yet to be completed. (See picture above)
- The Asaroka PS has the same principal this year as last.
- Asaroka elementary had 2 tuffa tanks installed last year and now have permanent toilet facilities so they are ready for the term. (See pictures)
- Due to the business of getting school corona virus ready for the school start, they forgot about memorial service for Pastor Tscharke. They were hoping to incorporate this in the Sunday worship.
- Hi to Pastor Greg, family and Golden Grove. Jacob has been able to follow the link and has been watching the GGLC sermons.
- The laptop that Pastor Jacob has been using is no longer functioning, so all his work is done on his phone. He is requesting if we can help with this matter. We will look into this matter.

From one of the teachers—Catherine Aitapo:

“Yes we started Monday . We have shift classes. Grade 10s and 12s on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Grade 9s and 11s on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This will go on for 2 weeks until further notice from the government .”



***It’s great to see how they are accommodating with the necessary changes!!***

***Please continue to keep both the Asaroka and Goroka communities in your prayers.***



*Pictures: Preparation Area at Asaroka PS & Principal John Diunde*

From Principal John Diunde of Asaroka Primary School: He is very thankful for the laptop which he is using. Some children arrived at school this week, but not all students. The children are enjoying the books that was donated to the Library. The Primary School says thank you for the material and prayer support.

Do you have a need?  
Do you have a prayer request????  
Golden Grove Lutheran Church now has a dedicated email address for prayer requests.



[prayer\\_request@gglc.org.au](mailto:prayer_request@gglc.org.au)

 **E-Mail**

No prayer request considered too small or trivial and will be treated confidentially in all ways!!

## Open Door Community Shop

**NOW OPEN! - The Open Door Community Bookshop**

Since the easing of COVID-19 restrictions by the Government, we have now re-opened the shop with **limited hours**.

**Monday: Closed; Tue-Fri: 10am-4pm; Sat: 10am-1pm**

From the Team Management and Staff.

Ph: 85221677  
E: [opendoorbook@gmail.com](mailto:opendoorbook@gmail.com)

**God's Power at Work at Golden Grove**  
*Testimony Series*

At Golden Grove we are blessed to have the prayer healing team. Even though restrictions have halted group gatherings, this community is still very active and supportive!! If you are needing prayer 24/7 feel free to contact John Schiller 0424 186 149 or e-mail ([jschiller@iaa.net.au](mailto:jschiller@iaa.net.au)) for things like anxiety, fear, symptoms of the flue, anything at all!

**Remember:** We know when we trust in Gods word, the prayer of faith will cut through anything. Gods word is sharper than a two edge sword. Jesus name is above all Names including the name of this current virus. **Jesus wants you well!**

There is a small sample of testimonies of the many Hundreds/Thousands of Healings and miracles that occurring in our midst and wider community available on our YouTube page.

**CLICK HERE** 

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLFeEL5FGigpDKnE3qRjeAtP3jkdvrs5Vs4>

**"Cant get to church to give your offering money? Want to be more organised with your giving?"**

**REG is the ANSWER!!**

Regular Electronic Giving (REG) is a convenient, safe and confidential way of giving to our congregation and the wider Lutheran Church. If you are away from church for any reason, your offering is still made. REG has a positive effect on our cash flow. Visit the LCA REG page [www.lca.org.au/REG](http://www.lca.org.au/REG) for more information.



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*I CAN'T GET TO CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY!*  
*I CAN'T GET INTO A PATTERN OF REGULAR GIVING*  
*I CAN'T FIND ANY CASH FOR THE OFFERING*

See your treasurer for more information

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**

This week GGLC celebrate birthdays with  
**Robert Mills**  
**David Knapp**

We hope your special day is blessed with  
*God's love & grace!*

Videos of Pastor Greg's messages can be viewed on our website or YouTube, and announcements are made on Facebook as soon as new items become available.

If you choose to give the video posts a Like/Share on Facebook, you're helping to increase the number of people that might see Pastor Greg's message. A seemingly trivial click - it may be the easiest act of ministry you ever do!

Website: <http://www.gglc.org.au/>, go to "For Members" and select "Pastor's Messages"  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/gglc.lca/>

To check out the benefits of REG and to register: [www.lca.org.au/REG](http://www.lca.org.au/REG)

The LLL Account No. for GGLC Regular Electronic Giving is 28190/S1/GOL  
(use this for transfers from your LLL account to the REG account).  
To transfer money into the LLL Golden Grove Lutheran Church REG Account from another bank please use  
BSB 704942  
Account 100118259

**ONE-OFF DONATIONS**

During this time of shutdown due to COVID-19, please consider how you can continue to make your free-will offering. GGLC can now accept one-off donations through our website. For more information visit <https://www.gglc.org.au/church/index.php/products/offeringdonation> or click button below

**DONATE NOW**