



25th November 2007—Last Sunday of Church Year

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WELCOME to all worshipping with us today.

Greetings to any visitors here with us today. We are pleased to have you join us and we trust you have felt welcomed and pray the Holy Spirit may enlighten and empower us with the message shared with us today.

*Tea & coffee is available in the Fellowship Centre following morning service and
At 5.45 pm a light tea is available prior to the evening service at 6.30 pm.
Please feel welcome to join us.*

TWO MINUTES

Strength for the Year's End!

The year's end calls for extra strength. Does that mean more trips to the gym? Stepping up the diet? It won't hurt to visit the gym if there's time for it. It will help to scrap the junk food anyway and eat healthily. But way back in the OT somewhere it says *'the joy of the Lord is your strength'*.

In our Epistle for today Paul speaks of *'joyfully giving thanks to the Father'* and tells us why we can do this. Check out Col. 1 v. 11. This verse is part of Paul's great prayer for the Colossians. Their's will be great endurance and patience as they joyfully give thanks.

Why can they rejoice? Paul doesn't fail to give his friends reason for rejoicing. He points them to Jesus. He is more by far than the Babe in the Manger. He is the visible likeness of God. God revealed in human flesh. He is superior to all created beings. In fact He himself created all things. Now having made peace through his blood shed on the cross he in everything has the supremacy. This gives joy and strength to his people. Even strength for the year's end.

Prayer: Thankyou Father for the dynamic of the Gospel that frees us from sin. Thankyou we are rescued from Satan's authority and we are under yours in your kingdom of light and freedom and joy. Thankyou that under Jesus' authority we have ability, power and competence to live lives that bring glory to you and bring your Gospel to others. Amen.

Don & Jean Warren



Readings for today
Jeremiah 23: 1-6
Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 19:11-27

Readings for 2nd Dec
Isaiah 2: 1-5
Romans 13:11-14
Matt. 24:36-44

Worship Opportunities

Today 25th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship
Friday 30th Nov	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club
Sunday 2nd Dec	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC
Friday 7th Dec	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club

Family Friendly Worship

At Golden Grove, we love **everybody** to be involved in worship.



Please encourage children and visitors to join in the singing and prayers, and to stand and sit at appropriate times when they are able. This is best done by leading by example!

For our 'little ones' - Quiet bags & busy books are available for worship time from the church foyer. Paper & pencils are available for children (and adults too if they would like to take notes of the message!!!)

It is not appropriate for unattended children to play in the foyer at any time during the service. Please ask an usher if you require assistance, or speak to a "Ministry Leader" if you would like to help young families during Worship times.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Pastor's Corner



• **Welcome.** Today is the last Sunday in the church year so we are looking at the theme of "The Last Days" in the address this morning. Why? As I say in the address: knowing about the last days..."can give you wisdom, insight and assurance". We shall consider what Paul says in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3 and discover (once again) that in the last days deceivers will come, we need not be afraid and that Jesus will be with us.

• At **Salt Factory** Ivan Schmocker will be presenting: "Lessons from the heart." The confirmees will be involved with something of the worship experience they developed at the recent camp.

• Our confirmees will be leading the **confirmation session** this afternoon by presenting the 4-10 commandments.

• 2 young people plan to have their **First Communion** in the morning service today.

• Also today (at 11.30am) **Tara Marie McAuley** will be baptized at GGLF.

• **THIS WEEK:** Monday night Ministry Team, Tuesday night School Council, and Wednesday I shall be celebrating 25 years since my graduation from Luther Seminary. We are celebrating that at ALC.

• This coming Friday we will be having the second of our **Holy Communion services at our Friday morning service.**

• Next Sunday our chaplain (officially "Christian Pastoral Support Worker") at Wynn Vale Primary School, **Cynthia Harbinson** will be speaking to us at our morning service. Hope you are able to hear her.

• Next Sunday we are starting a sermon series on "Count Down to Christmas" (in Advent). The first in this series is "Be ready". In this coming year (The "year of Matthew"- series A in our 3 year lectionary) we shall often be using the "Visual Bible" for our Gospel readings. We shall continue the series with "Be Repentant", "Be Open", "Be Amazed".

• Last week our new ministry team met with the new chairman and myself and we came up with a **plan for 2008** under the theme: "Growing through involvement." There are some exciting things in store for us in 2008 including:

- Thanksgiving Sunday (3/2/08) with the installation of teachers and office bearers
- Introducing God (a friendly, funny, engaging clear and Australian way to introduce God) - bring a friend: Thursdays of the school first term.
- A Lenten sermon series "Lord teach us how to live." (on the 10 commandments)
- A planning day (16/2/08) and a retreat (25/10/08).
- School/ congregation picnic: tentative date: 30/3/08
- Wild at Heart: 23-27/4/08 and Valiant Man Thursdays in third school term
- Women Retreat "Brides of Christ": 30/5/08-1/6/08 (I think)
- Bible Study Electives Wednesdays in May
- "Day Pay Sunday": 22/6/08
- "G Dinner" – fund raiser: 26/7/08
- Season of Creation in September
- Global Leadership Summit: 10,11/10/08
- All Saints (2/11/08) where all those who have been baptized in the last year will be invited
- Remembrance Sunday (23/11/08) for those who have suffered a bereavement in the past year.
And much more.....

Pastor Leon



Baptism

Joining God's family & GGLF through the gift of Holy Baptism is

Tara Marie McAuley

We are delighted to share in the celebration of this special occasion with Tara, her parents Mark & Lynne, sponsors Mark & Jenny Rawolle together with other family and friends here with us today.

We pray Tara may continue to grow in the love & strength of God



Baptism, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

The Salt Factory

Tonight: 6.30 pm service. Ivan Schmocker will be presenting "Lessons from the heart".

Come from 5.45 pm onwards for food (gold coin donation) and drinks (\$1 cans)

PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO catering at Salt Factory during the school holidays 16-30 Dec and during January only in 2008 NO SALT FACTORY SERVICES will be held.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Forum – www.gglf.org.au/youth/forum

REV320 (yrs 7-9) Bring \$4
Friday 30th November— 7-10 pm

MEN'S MINISTRY

MUSICAL EVENING

SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 7-10 PM

In the Worship Centre



A family evening with a variety of DVD music

Half-time light supper provided

First half— more for family

Second half— hits from shows & gospel music

Gold coin donation to raise funds for Asaroka

Pastor Leon's Message

is available in printed copy form each week immediately after the service from the entrance table or ask one of the ushers. Please feel welcome to take a copy home.

Internet access to weekly GGLF bulletin, Pastor Leon's message, Life in the Vine, and other info. You can get to it by going to <http://www.goldengrove.sa.edu.au/> then "Links", then "supporting congregations", then "Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship", then "GGLF Files", then "Bulletins" or "Messages".

SPECIAL BUDGET APPEAL

At our GGLF Election Meeting held earlier this month we were informed by the Treasurer that to meet all of our financial and other commitments for this year and maintain a comfortable cash flow position, a minimum of \$10,000 is required to help cover the estimated shortfall. Estimates reveal that 2007 expenditure may exceed income by up to \$19,000.

In view of the above position a Special Budget Appeal is being launched today.

Your special gift for the Lord's work here will allow us to move forward on a stable footing into 2008, assisting us in bringing to fruition our ministry programs planned for the year.

A "Special Budget Appeal" envelope is available today from your pigeon hole for your convenience, or if you prefer, you may credit our REG Account at the LLL direct. The A/c number is 28190/S1/GOL and the LLL BSB Number is 704-942.

Lutheran Community Care Christmas Hamper Appeal

Please help LCC provide Christmas hampers to families in need this Christmas.

Your monetary donation can be placed in an envelope marked LCC Christmas Hamper Appeal and placed in the offering plate OR donations of canned/package foods can be left in the baskets in our Church Foyer. A list of suggested food items is also on display.



Fresh Christmas Trees

Are available again this year from Holy Cross Lutheran Church at Birdwood. They are offering high quality trees at \$25 each. Their supplies are quite limited this year so it will be vital to get your order in early. Please see Judith to place your order. Trees will be delivered on Sat 15th December 2007.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Will be available through November from either Jenny Canavese or Nadia Napier. Proceeds to Asia Focus - for Myanmar.

IT'S BACK The Aust Christian Diary 2008



- Now only \$7.95
- Rich blue laminate cover
- Bible reading for each day
- Week to an opening
- Monthly planner

If you wish to place an order for one of these diaries please let Judith know.

Seven Steps to Sustainability

The Climate Institute in association with the religions of Australia climate change statement Common Belief have launched a web-based resource for Churches wishing to become Eco-friendly. For more information visit www.climateinstitute.org.au.

WANTED



Small motor scooter or quad bike for use in this year's Christmas Play which will be presented on:

**Sunday 23rd Dec, 6.30 pm at Salt Factory Service
and
Christmas Eve 24th Dec, 7.00 pm**

If you can help please contact Dawn Rutter on 8289 2031 or 0401 740 701.

Mangoes for sale



Last week we received boxes of mangoes to sell and they were all quickly snapped up and sold. Another order has been placed for 15 boxes and these will be available either later this week or next week.

Cost will be \$30 per box or \$15/half box. Please contact Judith or Elaine in the Admin office if you would like to pre-order a box or half-box.

*Proceeds of mango sales to support
Asaroka Lutheran High School, PNG*

Past Openbook / L.P.H. Employees are invited to a reunion

at 205 Halifax St on **2nd December, 1-5pm**

as a final get together at the premises before it is demolished. Finger food will be served & drinks available for small donation.

If you know of other past employees please let them know of this reunion invitation.

For catering purposes please RSVP by Mon 26th Nov to Richard Waldhuter 0405 334 367 or Kate Liebelt 8351 8112.

Please refer to noticeboard for further details

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