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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

Romans 5:1-11 says, in part, that "we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings" and goes on to explain how suffering produces perseverance which produces character which produces hope.

Now who in their right mind would celebrate or thank God for their sufferings? I can certainly admit that I never thought it possible. Yet now I freely thank God for the phenomenal blessings he has brought to us through these 7 months of Josiah's treatment – blessings that would never have been possible without the suffering.

We regularly receive the comments "I don't know how you do it", "How do you cope with the stress? – you all must be so strong". Well let me tell you – there are no pillars of strength in our household, no superhuman beings that can boast of their resilience as they power through one challenge and setback after another!

But there is hope in the glory of God, and of that we can boast – not of how we deserve God's grace and glory through our faithfulness or piousness – quite the contrary! We can only boast of how God rescues us and showers us with His love and generosity as we discover (repeatedly!) and confess to Him our frailty and faithlessness and utter helplessness.

If you're suffering right now and don't know where God is in your life, then please hold this passage dear and read it regularly – God will bring you hope and peace. Let go and let God.

If you know of someone who is suffering then won't you please be bold and comfort them with this passage? Especially verses 1-5. Print it and give it to them, text it to them, ring them and read it to them – whatever works for you. The only way the Holy Spirit can be released to begin its saving and hope-building work is through God's word.

You may never know what a huge impact this small action has on someone's life...but how cool would it be to see them worshipping with you and all the saints when we arrive in the heavenly realm??

Greg Page



Readings for today
Exodus 17:1-7
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42

Readings for 2nd Mar
1 Sam. 16:1-13
Eph. 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

Worship Opportunities

Today 24th Feb	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary Service with HC Salt Factory worship
Friday 29th Feb	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club
Sunday 2nd Mar	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC
Friday 7th Mar	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



- Today we are going to look at **life, love and laughter** as a theme to a study of the fifth (You shall not kill) and sixth (You shall not commit adultery) commandments. Our prayer is "**Lord, teach us how to live**". This Sunday morning will again feature a testimony. Today it's Paul Napier who will be speaking.
- In **confirmation** today we are using the spiritual discipline of meditation to rediscover God's gift of creation.
- Note **School Council** meets on Tuesday (26/2/08), **Church Working Bee**- this Saturday (1/3/08)
- **Next Sunday** we are having a good look at the seventh commandment (You shall not steal) and considering the whole concept of giving. Next Sunday we have someone speaking to us from a wonderful ministry at Enfield called "The Food Barn". I'm sure you will be fascinated.
- Last Saturday (16/2/08) we held "**The Gathering**", run by the Ministry Team, hosted by Ivan and Elnora. Thank you to them and to those who attended. One aspect of the gathering was to inquire of God what he was uniquely blessing. The Ministry Team will study what we heard from God. The strongest responses were: our school, the fishing ministry (GGAF) and youth. But other responses were Asaroka, welcoming, Pastor Leon, servanthood, lay ministry in worship, fellowship groups and Sunday School. We have a lot to be thankful for. Someone gave the image of these ministries being threads woven together to make a net to aid us in being "fishers of men." The next step is to go along with what God is doing - not fighting against it; working out strategies to be part of it and pouring our resources into it to take it "to the next level". That is the challenge.
- The course: **What DO you believe?** has started this last week. This coming week we are looking at God's gift of prayer. Even if you didn't attend last week, you are welcome to attend one of the sessions (Thursday 1.30pm or Thursday 7.30pm).
- Have you booked into the "**Get Real**" Conference with Michael Foss on 18, 19 April? See brochures and poster. I reckon it's going to be top notch. For the early bird fee you need to enroll this week.
- **Band leaders:** I have spoken to a few of you when I have thought of it. But keep in mind not to pick too many new tunes for a service. One new song a week is quite sufficient- even if it has an easy tune. People come to church to worship (I'm told) and they can worship best if they can sing the songs. (I would rather have all well known tunes than songs that fit "perfectly with the theme". Yes fitting in with the theme/s of the day is important, but not as important as being able to sing the songs well.) What do you think?

Pastor Leon

Salt Factory Worship

Tonight: 6.30 pm service—Come from 5.45 pm onwards for food (gold coin donation) and drinks (\$1 cans).

Working Bee

We are having a working bee **next Saturday 1st March** from **8.30 am at the church**. We are wanting to get several tasks done including the following:



Clean all windows in Church plant
Paint wall in Fellowship Centre by courtyard & other small tidy ups.
General garden & carpark tidy-up.
Re-secure railing on wheelchair ramp.
Several other small tasks.



Can people please come armed with window cleaning gear, small ladders etc.

More that come, quicker it will be done. Shouldn't take long.

Thanks, Daniel Dutschke

TOGETHER

The February/March edition of our SA/NT District publication of news and views is available from your pigeon holes. Collect your copy today.



Calling for Easter Help

We are looking for someone / or small group of people with a heart for Worship, to decorate stage or provide a visual focus for Easter Sunday (theme Caring for the Community in the context of the resurrection). Please see Margey Knapp if this is something that you or your small group would be willing to undertake.

Can you help?

A member of our congregation is seeking some home help on a weekly basis (*probably 1-2 hrs*) for at least the next 12 months. For further details please phone Judith on 8282 6050 (Church office).



'CC' - Children of Christ (Yrs 3-6)

Friday 7th March, 6.30-8.00 pm
in the Fellowship Centre
Movie Night & World Day of Prayer

Pastor Leon's Message

is available in printed copy form each week immediately after the service from the Fellowship Centre. Please feel welcome to take a copy home.

Internet access to weekly GGLF bulletin, Pastor Leon's message, Life in the Vine, rosters and other info. You can get to it by going to **www.gglf.org.au** and then clicking Files.



Golden Grove Amateur Fishing

RIVER MURRAY FISHING TRIP

Saturday 15th March at Murray Bridge

Meet at Avoca Dell Reserve (across the River approx 8 km north from Murray Bridge) at 9.30 am.

Weigh in at 5.00 pm

BYO lunch, chairs, bait and fishing gear.

Some suggested bait: tiger worms, shrimp, corn, etc.

Enquiries to Zimmo (8289 1212) or Graeme Hoklas (8289 6803)



Are you itching to stitch?

There are several in the GGL community who would love to see a weekly quilting/craft evening available. Format could possibly be at peoples homes with each host hosting one week per month, ie Edna's first week of month, Shirley's second week of month, etc etc.

Wednesday is a preferred evening. We have two possible hosts already so looking for several more for a six month trial. If you would like to host or attend please contact Alison Ahrens 8395 9118 (or email simali2@iprimus.com.au) or Anna Watson 8282 6003 (email watson.anna@golden-grove.sa.edu.au)

Wild at Heart

A camp for men - Friday evening 28th March to Sunday afternoon 30th March 2008 at Glenhaven, Stockport

The men and friends of the Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship community are invited to attend a weekend camp titled "Real Aussie Men - Wild, Courageous and Free".

Registration forms are available in Church foyer. For further information please contact Wayne Evans (ph 8396 0083) or John Fielke (ph 8265 4950)

WILD AT HEART

I firmly endorse this ministry. It's about facing your fears, living the adventure, fighting the battle, winning the beauty... We ran a few of these "life changing" experiences in my last parish and those who went to them gained so, so much. Please take one of flyers in the foyer. This is the camp that John and Wayne have been promoting. Men, please plan to go.

Pastor Leon

Yesteryear photo

Your attention is drawn to an old photo which is displayed in the church foyer today. It has been left laying in our admin office for some time now and it has no dates or names to help identify to whom it may belong or how it came to be in our office.

The photo (possibly circa 1940s) shows a large group of men and women outside a building.

Can you please take some time to look at the photo in the hope that someone might recognise someone in the photo and we might begin to build some connections and find out where it belongs. Please let Judith know if you are able to help.

Thank you



David couldn't fight in Saul's armour either.

Is your Church 'dressed' to serve the challenges of ministry in the 21st Century?

No-one argues that the world is vastly different from when the LCA was formed 40 years ago. How can the Church effectively address this changing world with the good news of Jesus Christ?

Join keynote speaker Rev. Mike Foss, author of 'Power Surge' and 'Real Faith for Real life' as we

get real. putting passion into leadership

SA 17-19 April Immanuel College, Novar Gardens

Get together a team and join us as we grow, discover hope, be inspired, gain new skills and find a freedom to lead in the Australian mission context.

Check out www.getreal.org.au for more information or to register for the conferences on-line.

Early bird registrations close February 29

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



You are invited to unite in this
INTERDENOMINATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL
AND INTER-RACIAL

World-wide Fellowship of Prayer and Worship

to be held on

FRIDAY 7th MARCH 2008

10.00 am Morning tea

10.30 am Service at St Wildrid's Anglican Church
19 Perseverance Road, Tea Tree Gully

Speaker: Rev Rick Maude

7.30 pm Service at Modbury/TTG Salvation Army
128 Reservoir Road, Modbury

Speaker: Miss Cheryl Fairclough

Supper to follow

Theme:

"God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding"

AUSTRALIAN LUTHERAN—ROMAN CATHOLIC DIALOGUE AN INVITATION

After seven years of conversation about the role of bishops and presidents in the church, the Australian Lutheran—Roman Catholic Dialogue is launching its new statement, *The Ministry of Oversight*.

The role of bishops and presidents in the church is a critical question in ecumenical affairs at present. In this statement we outline the way in which each tradition understands this ministry, and we work towards a common understanding.

We would like to welcome you to the launch of the document with Vespers at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 170 Flinders Street, Adelaide, on Friday 7th March, 2008, at 7.30pm.

The Ministry of Oversight will be launched by the President of the Lutheran Church of Australia, President Mike Semmler, and the Archbishop of Adelaide and President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Archbishop Philip Wilson.

Prayer Opportunities

A **prayer box** is available in the Church entrance for prayer requests (either private or public) on Sundays. If anyone has a prayer request we encourage you to fill out a prayer request form and place it in the right hand side of the box.

Prayer Chain: Means a lot of people praying about an urgent or special need. For urgent prayer requests during the week you are invited to contact one of following people and the prayer chain will be set in progress. (Chris Hahn, Jan Wegener, Pastor Len & Claire Tscharke, Catherine & Wim Belgraver, Anne Hanton, Joan Hochwald, Tanya Wilson, Judith Whaites.) All requests will be kept confidential. The prayer chain is available for everyone in both the church and school communities. Likewise if anybody feels they would like to be a part of the prayer chain we'd love you to join us.

Video Ministry

Each service is video taped, with copies available immediately after each service. Please see the library to loan a copy. Even if you can't make it to the service, you can still participate in worship.

Meals Ministry

(A practical way we can share & show God's love) **Families rostered to support Meals Ministry in February are: Schiller, Tilley & J Lawrence.** When donating meals for the freezer we ask that you please attach some details to the container, eg name of the meal, date meal was prepared, a list of main ingredients, and heating instructions. *Thank you.*

GGLF Attendance & Offerings

(Offerings do not include electronic giving amount of \$9327 per month from 38 contributors.)

	Attendance	Offerings
Sunday 17/2 9.30 am	71	\$414.10
6.30 pm	100	\$1084.20



Don't forget the Library is open for browsing and borrowing

Christian greeting cards always for sale from the Mobile Unit in the Fellowship Centre —Cost \$2



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Today 24 Feb Jan Wegener
 Thurs 28 Feb Claire Tscharke
 Hannah DeRooy
 Sat 1 Mar Andrew Seeliger

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

GGLF EASTER SERVICE WORSHIP TIMES

20th March	Maundy Thursday	7.00 pm	Worship with HC
21st March	Good Friday	9.30 am	Worship
23rd March	Easter Sunday	6.00 am	Dawn Service at Schmocker's block followed by Hot Cross buns back at Fellowship Centre
		9.30 am	Worship with HC at GGLF

Please note there will be **NO Salt Factory service on Easter Sunday**



Soul Factor Gospel Choir will present the powerful Easter Musical "**The Power Of His Love**", at this years Adelaide Fringe.

"As the only Gospel Fringe event in 2008, "The Power Of His Love", promises to be one of the stand out performances. With a terrific cast and ensemble, the musical retells the story of Easter several years after the event and then brings the "memory" scenes to life on stage. Through the personal perspective of the main characters, the audience experiences their thoughts and feelings, witnessing the power of God's love changing each life."

"We would encourage you to take this opportunity to invite friends and family that perhaps haven't thought about this story for while, if they enjoy music theatre or just great music – they'll love this one, sit back and let the songs do the talking."

Presented at The Salvation Army, 277 Pirie St. Adelaide 3pm & 8pm Saturday, Sunday 15th & 16th March.

Tickets available through FringeTIX on 1300 374 643 and at \$16.00 and \$12.00. Information 8391 2127

Whispers & Shouts

An exhibition of art by homeless and disadvantaged artists and others with voices and lungs both large and small being held at the West-care and Karpandi Arts Centre during the Adelaide Fringe Festival.

It opens this Sunday at 2pm (the Arts Centre door will be open from 12.30pm) and runs Sunday to Wednesday each week for the next three weeks, until March 12.

This is a **FREE** event.

See noticeboard

POSITIONS VACANT

Personal Assistant in the *Lutheran Education Australia* office, Nth Adelaide *Full time position.* For further information and job description available on the LEA website (www.lutheran.edu.au) and follow the link on the front page. See poster on noticeboard. **Closing date: 26th February 2008**

Director of Group Ministry—St Martin's Lutheran Church, Mt Gambier. Full time position. See noticeboard for further details. Applications **close 29th February 2008**

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