



Jesus said, "I am the vine,
You are the branches."
John 15.5

*"Making Christ known in the
community so that all may worship Him
and receive the gift of eternal life"*

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19th April 2009—2nd Sunday of Easter

WELCOME to all worshipping with us today.

Greetings to any visitors here with us. 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 messages shared with us today



*Tea & coffee is available in the Fellowship Centre following morning service.
Please feel welcome to join us.*

TWO MINUTES

Jesus appears to His disciples John 20:19-31

I can imagine the disciples on that first evening after Jesus death and resurrection - locking themselves away, fearful for their lives, cowering and hiding from the Jewish authorities. Some perhaps inconsolable with grief, some wanting to trust the words of those that had seen the empty tomb, hanging on to any morsel of hope, perhaps playing the 'what if' game ... "What if it is as Peter and John said." "What if Jesus really is alive." "What if Mary did see him and he really did speak to her."

And Jesus appears amongst them – * just like that, he's there with them greeting them with words of peace, showing them his wounded hands and side and *breathing* on them. As God breathed new life into Adam, so Jesus breathes a renewed life into his disciples. Not only could they see him, but they could take the essence of him, his breath at once comforting and familiar, deep into their bodies and souls. With that breath Jesus bestows on them a commissioning and blessing of the Holy Spirit.


vs 21,22 Again Jesus said, Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

What joy and relief the disciples must have felt! The words might not have registered nor the enormity of the task ahead of them, but to have their Lord and master, living and breathing before them, would have filled their hearts with peace and delight. May we too, know the breath of the Lord in our lives.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what you love, and do what you would do. Amen.

Anna Watson

Worship Opportunities



Readings for today
Acts 4:32-35
1 John 1:1—2:2
John 20:19-31

Readings for 26th April
Acts 3:12-19
1 John 3: 1- 7
Luke 24:36-48

Today 19th April	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC
Sunday 26th April	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship
Friday 1st May	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club
Sunday 3rd May	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Salt Factory worship with HC



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 children's area inside the church.

Activity sheets for young readers and writers—Families with children of all ages, please notice there are new activity sheets (e.g. word puzzles) available for various age groups. The sheets will be changed over periodically. Please help yourself - they can be found with the children's toys, pens and papers etc.

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 Column

Wasn't the Easter celebration wonderful? I hope you could have joined us over the Easter weekend.

Easter continues. The sermon series for the season of Easter is "**Where is God when we are struggling?**" The people of Corinth were struggling after Paul's first letter. Where was Paul? He said he would come. Where is God? Where is God when we are struggling? The book of **2 Corinthians** is the prescribed reading for the Growth Journal up to Easter. We'll be looking at a verse each Sunday from the first seven chapters of 2 Corinthians under this theme.

The theme for today's address is: "**With his arm around us**", 2 Corinthians 1:3 "*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.*" Here Paul reveals God as Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us, through his Word, the Holy Spirit, his people, so that we can comfort others. Our struggles equip us to be compassionate.

Next week we'll look at **Leading us**, 2 Corinthians 2:14 "*But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere*" The picture here is of a Roman victory parade with us being the spoils. Jesus has won the victory through his death and resurrection. We are an aroma to people around us but this varies between Christians and non Christians.

Head to Heart (Confirmation) starts on Sunday May 3rd at 4.30pm. in the Fellowship Centre. If you know of anyone who could be interested please encourage them to attend or contact me or Paul Swansson. (The sessions will be on Wednesday after school with several Sunday sessions thrown in so parents can join us.)

This week:

Monday: Kids at Heart team meeting 10am

Pastor Leon

Salt Factory Worship

Tonight: 6.30 pm service—No catering tonight during school holidays.

Please note: Rostered for catering next Sunday 26th April — BOB group

NEXT SUNDAY

INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW YOUTH TEAM LEADER

Paul Swansson will be installed into the office of Youth Team Leader at our 9.30 am service next Sunday 26th April. At Salt Factory service in the evening a blessing will be given over Paul and the YTL position. Please join and support Paul and his family in his new role with us and Youth Ministry here at GGLF.

ROSTERS

The worship service **rosters for June - August** will shortly be drawn up. Please let **Anna Watson** know (watson.anna@goldengrove.sa.edu.au or through a note in her pigeon hole) if you are unavailable to serve during this time due to holiday plans etc. Rosters should be out in the first week of May.

Are you wanting to feel more connected to our congregation? Has God gifted you with friendliness, encouragement, oral reading, public prayer, musical ability, public speaking? Then we can use you in our worship services, morning or evening! For various reasons our roster lists have become somewhat depleted over the past year so if you are not currently serving on a roster and would like to do so, please let Anna know.

A **big thank you** from the Worship Team to all our members who have made a commitment to help out during our worship services

MEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies Breakfast

Our first Ladies breakfast will be held on **16th May, 8.00-10.00 am** in the Fellowship Centre.

Breakfast will include bacon and eggs, cereal, toast, spreads, fruit and cream with orange juice, tea and coffee to wash it all down.

Cost \$6.00 head.

Guest speaker is Gabi Proc from Rostrum. Gabi is a retired school teacher and administrator. This lady is an exceptional speaker. Her topic is "Communication in Relationships". It will be serious entertainment.

A crèche will be provided so that Mum can enjoy the morning.

Please book with Judith or Elaine in the office.

Enquiries to Ken Campbell: 0421 428 555 or 8265 3106

Thought for the day
What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly;
it is dearness only that gives everything its value.

Thomas Paine

SHARE THE GLORY OF EASTER

KIDS AT HEART

The Kids at Heart team invite the children to participate in some q-u-i-e-t craft activities during Pastor's message. (The children's area is on the RHS of the church as you face the altar.)

To assist families with Christian education at home, the Kids at Heart team would like to highlight some fun and safe websites that kids can enjoy.

For children 4- 7 years old:

www.happyland.com.au

Happyland is a Lutheran media production. The purpose of Happyland is to introduce children to Jesus and what he teaches us about the way we should live, and to let them have lots of fun at the same time. Build houses and play games with biblical messages. Everything is read aloud and has full instructions.

For children ages 6 to 10:

www.bigideafun.com

Veggietales website featuring games and puzzles and fun.

Kids under 12 years:

www.albertweb.com/evenachild/

Fun for all ages! Includes games and jokes.

If you know any other websites that are suitable, please let us know so that we can share them with other people.

Researched by Emi Schutz.

Proposed visit to PNG



Another visit in our partnership with Asaroka Lutheran High School in the Eastern Highlands Province of Papua New Guinea is being planned between 5th-19th September this year .

Congregational members are invited to give expressions of interests if you would like to be part of this year's team. Please feel welcome to speak with Pastor Len. A meeting will be held in early May about the proposed visit and those interested are welcome to come along to this.

Welcome to Christian Vision P.N.G.



A web site that includes details of our partnership with Asaroka, some general information on Papua New Guinea, local maps, video clips of our involvement within Papua New Guinea, a Christian radio link and more... I hope you enjoy viewing it....regards, Ken Tschärke. Web site:

www.christianvisionpng.info/

TOOLBOX PARENTING COURSE:

The middle years (6-12)

This course covers: Building Character, Self Esteem, Creating Memories, Emotional Intelligence, Discipline and Increasing Responsibility.

Make the most of these years while your children still want to be part of your team!

At: Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School, Sunnybrook Drive, Wynn Vale

Wednesdays May 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, June 3rd and 10th **7-9pm**

Cost \$36 – includes manual. Registrations essential.

Contact: Elaine or Anna 8282 6000

Elaine Baldock [Baldock.Elaine@goldengrove.sa.edu.au]

Life in the Vine

Articles for the next edition of the *Life in the Vine* magazine are due by **Monday 27th April**. Stories, photos, jokes, advertising, etc can be sent to my email address at dtnelson@internode.on.net or you can leave a note in my church pigeon hole or give me a call on 8288 7351.

Tania Nelson



GGLF & GGLPS AGM's will be held on **Sunday 17th May at 11.00 am** in the Worship Centre

Leaders of all our various GGLF groups for 2008 are kindly asked to please prepare reports and financial statements for submission.

It would be appreciated if all reports can please be submitted to Judith by **24th April** so they may be collated for the Book of Reports.

WANTED

Enthusiastic and thoughtful GGLF members who are interested in serving God, by nominating to serve on the Management, Ministry and Worship teams of our church from May 2009—May 2010.

We are looking for people who are interested in serving as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson on the Management team. We also particularly need a Treasurer.

If serving on the Ministry or Worship teams interest you, then please let us know. It would be great if we had a good mix of male and female, old and young members on all teams.

Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship
NEEDS YOU



Please talk to Gerda Rawolle or Pauline Taylor at church, or leave a note expressing your interest in either of their pigeon holes



ChildSafeTM
safe people / safe programs

The LCA requires that all members holding a position of authority in their congregation undergo training in the Safe Place Policy (sexual abuse and harassment) and those dealing directly with children and young people receive training in the new Childsafe Policy. Members who work in a ministry area involving children, young people and vulnerable people are also required to have a police check (renewable every 3 years).

As we have no-one trained to deliver the Childsafe package, members are asked to attend training offered elsewhere.

Next training session will be held:

Sat 25 April for Team members

Sun 26th April for Team Leaders.

Team Leaders need to attend both.

They both start at 12 noon and end at 6.15pm. Both will be held at St Marks Lutheran Church in Mt Barker. You can register by phoning 83911695.

The next course after that is in Unley on 2 & 3rd May or after that 23 & 24 May in Hampstead.

Please contact Anna Watson if you have any queries or require further information.

