



Our mission:
**KNOWING
CHRIST AND
MAKING HIM
KNOWN**

GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our goal:
**Care, Communicate,
Connect so that people
may know CHRIST.**

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29th January 2017—4th Sunday after Epiphany

WELCOME to worship today !

May we all be encouraged and strengthened in our faith through
the Word of God .



Tea & coffee is available in the Fellowship Centre following morning service

Please feel welcome to join one another. ALL WELCOME

Before worship

Being blessed

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:3*

We talk often as Christians about receiving God’s blessing. We use the phrase so frequently that it is assumed that everyone knows what blessing is. Surprisingly, there is no consensus regarding what God’s blessings looks like and we will tend to interpret blessing in ways that suit us. If I am in financial need, blessing looks like an unexpected injection of cash. If I am lonely, blessing will look like a new friend or even a life partner that appears out of nowhere. If I am feeling worthless, blessing may come in the form of a promotion and affirmation from those in authority.

From the sermon on the mount, we learn that Jesus’ idea of blessing is different. He never mentions blessing as an abundance of anything. In fact blessing is tied to a lack of things that we would normally consider essential for life. Seems like quite a paradox.

But is it? Blessing is simply being completely satisfied through the action of God. It means receiving God’s favour and experiencing His presence regardless of our circumstances. So we can be blessed in times of overflow and times of want, as long as our most fundamental needs are being met by God. Our problem is that we tend to forget God in the good times and only see Him in the bad. When Jesus begins to preach he knows our nature and so makes it clear: we are more likely to reach out to God and encounter Him when we are in need and we acknowledge that need will only be met through Jesus.

May we be blessed,

Pastor Greg

Worship Opportunities

**Salt Factory
services will
resume next
Sunday 5th Feb
2017 at 6.30 pm.**

Today 29th Jan (one service only)	9.30 am	Contemporary worship with HC
Monday 30th Jan	10.00 am	Opening chapel for new school year.
Fri 3rd Feb	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community and installation of new school staff followed by tea/ coffee & chat
Sun 5th Feb	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship

Kids at Heart

The Kids at Heart BibleSong program commenced last Sunday operating 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.

ChildSafe sets a standard of safety and care for the LCA. It is a requirement that everyone involved in ministry programs for children and young people is trained in this system.

It was good to see families understanding the importance of this program and being supportive of its implementation.

This Sunday's BibleSong focuses on the Beatitudes.



ChildSafe
safe people / safe programs

In valuing and encouraging the children before us we are looking for more people to come on board

and lend support and assistance with our children's ministry program in 2017 which this year will involve Kids at Heart, CC's and Playgroup.

In order to help in any of these areas ChildSafe Training is a requirement and the next opportunity for training will be held on **Saturday 25th February from 9.00am – 3.00 pm at Hampstead Lutheran Church.**

More information can be obtained by speaking with either Allyson Dutschke or Natasha Jaeschke.

Healing Service

Healing Service will be held on Wednesday 1st February at 7.30pm at Hope Valley Uniting Church (1263 Grand Junction Road, Hope Valley).

Paul Napier will be speaking on Healing. Paul has a powerful healing ministry and sees many adults and children healed.



Golden Grove Amateur Fishing

Welcome to Fishing Year 2017

The GGAF Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on **Sunday February 12th at 4.00pm** in the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School Conference Room

Where: Corner of Sunnybrook Drive and Richardson Drive, Wynn Vale

The full 2017 program will be available and Memberships will be taken on the day.

Membership cost remains unchanged - \$15 for Seniors and \$5 for Juniors (15 Years and Under).

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE CHURCH

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

COMMITTEE FOR CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY

The Office of the Bishop, on behalf of the General Church Council, is inviting nominations from people who may be interested in serving on the Committee for Cross-Cultural Ministry. This is a new committee of the Board for Local Mission which will provide support and advice on cross-cultural Ministry within the LCA. The committee will meet at least two times a year. Costs associated with travel to committee meetings are covered by the LCA.

We are looking for a wide range of skills and experience, including people with: experience in cross-cultural ministry; expertise in African ministry; expertise in Asian ministry; and experience in strategic planning and/or organisational management.

We believe that God has blessed our church with many talented people who have the ability to make an effective contribution to the life and work of the LCA. Yours might be the finger that taps a sister or brother on the shoulder with 'There's a great opportunity to serve the church; I thought it might suit you'.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact LCA Executive Officer – Local Mission, Tania Nelson: tania.nelson@lca.org.au. Nominations for the committee will close on Friday, 3 February 2017.



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS	
Today 29 Jan	Irene Robertson
Mon 30 Jan	Jordan Skipworth
Tues 31 Jan	Margey Knapp
	Julie Crowther
Fri 3 Feb	Tracey Dabinett
	Bethany Swift
Sat 4 Feb	Rohan Malik
	Darren Stevenson
We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace	

Employment Opportunity

Office Manager—Hahndorf St Michaels Congregation, SA
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Applications Close: 3rd February 2017
For further information contact: Anthony Klatt,
Phone: 0409 339 821

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

A reminder for students and parents that Confirmation classes for 2017 re-commence on Monday 6th February

RosTers for Next Sunday : 5th February

PA + Opening/Closing up	Power-point	Music Group	Greeters / Ushers	Readers	Children's Address ----- Kid's Craft	Devotion for Bulletin ----- Prayers	Assistants with HC	Flowers	Church Cleaning
Jon Schutz	Schutz	Allyson Dutschke	Davidson Dabinett	Schutz	R Hoklas ----- N Jaeschke	A Dutschke ----- J Fielke	Denise & Roger Kloeden	Nora Robertson	Dabinett Davidson