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 Website – [www.shednight.com](http://www.shednight.com)



**As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another**  
*Proverbs 27:17*  
 This is an alcohol free event

**YOUTH**

**REVIVAL**

Revival is on THIS FRIDAY NIGHT. Come along to enjoy a relaxed night with games as well as a Bible study. Don't forget to bring your Bible and a journal along!

Arrive at 7:00pm and we will be concluding at 10pm. \$4 per night, \$1 cans and ChildSafe forms are required.

Website: <http://www.gglc.org.au>  
 Facebook/Instagram: gglcyouth

**Taking leave**

Judith will be away on leave over the next two weeks and will return to the office on Wednesday 11th November. Thank you to Sarah Williams for her willingness to prepare the weekly e-news and bulletin during Judith's time away.

**Important Survey for Congregational Members of the Lutheran Church of Australia.**

The College of Bishops invites you to participate in a major survey on the shape of pastoral ministry in the LCA today. The survey is part of a study to provide the LCA leadership with an accurate picture of the experiences and expectations of congregations with respect to their pastors and the pastoral ministry.

The survey is confidential and open to all LCA members 18 years and over. It will take about 30 minutes to complete.

The survey can be found on line at <http://www.socialsurvey.com.au/LCA2/LaySurvey>

*This week in your LCA*

To check out what's happening visit [www.lca.org.au](http://www.lca.org.au)

**Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA).** The next meeting will be on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00 pm (please note the change of time), at Bethlehem House, Flinders Street, for the AGM, followed by guest speaker, Dr Christine Lockwood.

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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
 ★ Today 1<sup>st</sup> Nov Rose Hillier  
 ★ Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov Chelsea Friedrich  
 ★ Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Nov Pastor Len Tschärke  
 ★ We hope your special day is blessed with God's love & grace ★



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

**GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
[www.gglf.org.au](http://www.gglf.org.au)

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

**Currently in Pastoral Vacancy**

Interim Pastor:  
 Dennis Obst  
 Mobile: 0418 839 051  
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1st November 2015 — 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

**WELCOME to worship today!**

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

Readings for today  
 Rev 21:1-6a  
 John 11:32-44



*Tea & coffee is available in the Fellowship Centre following morning service. Please feel welcome to join one another.*  
 At 5.45 pm a sausage sizzle is available prior to the 6.30 pm movie screening. All welcome.

**Worship Opportunities**

<b>Today 1st Nov</b>	<b>9.30 am 11.30 am 6.30 pm</b>	Contemporary worship with HC Korean community church Salt Factory worship
<b>Friday 6th Nov</b>	<b>8.45-9.15 am</b>	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club
<b>Sunday 8th Nov</b>	<b>9.30 am 11.30 am 6.30 pm</b>	Contemporary worship Korean community church Salt Factory worship with HC

**RosTers** for Next Sunday : 8th November

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	Salt Factory Catering
Sue Fielke	John Fielke	Jacque Schutz	J Canavese D Quick	Schutz	Pastor Dennis L Friedrich	Pastor Dennis Pastor Dennis		Jacque Schutz	Fielke Hersevoort	
Joel Schiller							Nicole Fielke			Schmocker

### Devotion

Death is a horrible reality of life. So much sadness, grief and pain when someone, especially a loved one dies. We can rationalise it more easily if a person has lived a long and fulfilling life or if someone has been suffering for ages but someone in their prime or a young child with plenty of living still to do, that makes us angry. We always seem to need somewhere to lay the blame. Sometimes people even blame God, as if He delights in death.

We know from the Adam and Eve story that death was indeed a grace of God for it meant that mankind, though sinful, would not live eternally in that condition. He had a plan to save the world and it included death. But when death strikes near to home that seems little consolation.

Today in our readings we have Jesus confronted with death - the death of a loved friend, Lazarus. How does He react? Do we expect Him to just blithely accept it as God's plan? No, Jesus is so human! The emotions He expresses in grief are just like ours! He cries. We are told He is very troubled and a deep anger wells in Him.

So how does Jesus respond? He prays! He acknowledges God in this situation, showing the bystanders His faith in action. He prays and then commands that Lazarus should walk again, right out of the grave. I guess we would all want that replayed for our loved ones . . . and it will be - in eternal 'time'. Jesus' anger at death - the wages of sin - and at Satan, is so real. That's how God feels about the situation. And Jesus didn't just feel it - He acted on it, for just a few short days later, Jesus fully demonstrated His love for people by giving up His own life on the cross to save us. His death for ours, eternally.

If you are struggling with grief remember Jesus' reactions were just as real as yours. He understands. Take heart at His compassion for Mary and Martha and remember we have Easter and the promise of eternal life - our reality to come.

*Margey Knapp*

### **A NEW OPPORTUNITY**

The worship team are creating a new, small team responsible for changing the banners and altar cloths from time to time according to the church seasons. Currently this is done by Margey Knapp alone. Please let Margey or Jacque Schutz know if you are interested.

### *From the Chairperson ....*

Dear Friends

As the half yearly election meeting approaches I believe that it is timely to inform you that I am hoping to step aside from my position on Church Council and as Chairperson. I am finding it more and more difficult to commit the time necessary to the role due to work and family commitments.

I stepped into the position twelve months ago as I saw a great need for someone to step into the vacant role during a difficult and challenging time for our church. This past year has seen many changes and I am honoured to have had the opportunity to lead the congregation during that time; but it is time for someone else to have a turn.

I stepped into the role understanding that I would not be able to commit large amounts of time to the position. My intention from the outset was for it to be a twelve month appointment to help 'steer' the congregation through some rough seas. As we move forward into our exciting future, the role needs someone who will be able to commit the necessary hours to ensure the job is done properly. My busy work schedule, young family and study does not allow me to achieve this goal.

Our church has such an exciting time approaching. As we plan to welcome Pastor Greg and Connie, I appeal to the entire congregation that if any of you think you could fulfil the duties of Church Council member or indeed Chairperson, please speak to me or another Council member about it.

Blessings

[Darren Stevenson](#)

### *From the Chairperson ....*

### **Manse Appeal and Finance Update**

As many would be aware, our congregation's finances are an ongoing point of concern for the Church Council. The figures below represent up to date budgetary figures for the year to date:

Budgeted income for 2015:	\$210,000
Budgeted income through Sept 2015:	\$157,500
Actual income through Sept 2015:	\$133,221
Expenditure through Sept 2015:	\$152,815
Profit/(Loss) through Sept 2015:	\$(19,514)

As you see above, the congregation faces a budget shortfall of almost \$20 000 for the year. This shortfall comes mainly from a reduction over time in the amount of regular giving through weekly offerings and REG (Regular Electronic Giving) that is received by the congregation. The silver lining to the cloud is that at the end of next year we will have paid off the church building which will save us \$45 000 per year which is great news that should be celebrated.

As you will see below, we are now holding a 'Manse Appeal' to raise much needed funds to contribute to the refurbishment of the manse. I ask all who are in the position to do so to be generous with your giving to ensure the continued strength of GGLC.

### **Manse Appeal**

As you would be aware from previous notifications we were looking to borrow from the LLL an amount for urgent work to update the Manse before Pastor Greg & Connie move in at the end of the year. This was passed by the congregation at a meeting after the morning service on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Also as previously mentioned we want to raise at least \$10,000 via Congregation Appeal to ensure we have enough to finish the job and keep the borrowing amount down to a minimum. This money will go mainly towards Floor Coverings & Curtains/Blinds. The job needs to be finished by mid December as that is when their furniture will be arriving to be moved in. A builder has now been engaged for the major works. A lot of work has already been done on the outside via Working Bees with more to happen as needed. Thanks so far for your great support here.

We would like the appeal to be run over the next 4 weeks and we ask you to prayerfully consider what you can contribute towards this major project.

Please make a contribution by putting a donation in an envelope marked 'Manse Appeal' and into the offering plate, directly to Daniel Dutschke or by direct deposit into the Church LLL account earmarked '**Manse**'. Account details are as follows:

Name of Account: Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship

BSB: 704942

Account No: 28190

Any questions please speak to Daniel Dutschke, Michael Vullings, Denise Kloeden, Susanne Trigg or Darren Stevenson. *(Thanks, the Manse Project Team)*