

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



Jesus said, "I am the vine,
You are the branches."
John 15:5

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

**GOLDEN GROVE
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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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Readings for today

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

8th November 2015 — 24th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME to worship today!

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

Tea & coffee is served following morning service. Please feel welcome to join one another.



SALT FACTORY

Join us for a light meal at 5.45pm prior to the 6.30pm service. Everyone is welcome. We will be celebrating holy communion.

KOREAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

11.30am today the Korean community church will hold their last service. We pray for their future ministry.

Worship Opportunities

Today 8th Nov	9.30 am 11.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship Korean community church Salt Factory worship with HC
Friday 13th Nov	8.45-9.15 am	Informal worship with school community followed by Coffee Club
Sunday 15th Nov	9.30 am 6.30 pm	Contemporary worship with HC Salt Factory worship

RosTers for Next Sunday : 15th 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
Mark Rawolle	Jeremy Lindner	Allyson Dutschke	Davidson Dabinett	Rosalie Hoklas	Kristian Appelt S. Williams	Allyson Dutschke Margey Knapp	Daniel Dutschke Dave Shrowder	Jenny Canavese	School	
Luke Watchtel										Kloden

GGAF ANNUAL PRESENTATION NIGHT

Date: **Saturday 21st November 2015**

Time: **7.00 pm – 10.00 pm**

Where: **Golden Grove Lutheran Centre at Corner Sunnybrook Drive & Richardson Drive, Wynn Vale**

- All prizes for competition winners during the year will be presented
- Powerpoint Photos of each event/trip during the year will be shown
- Door prizes drawn during the night
- Casting competition for children/adults
- BYO Drinks and Nibbles

All welcome to come along for a fun and informative night – including Non Members.

Any enquiries contact Zimmo on 8289 1212 or Graeme on 0419 828 091

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 Jacquie Schutz know if you are interested.

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 online at <http://www.socialsurvey.com.au/LCA2/LaySurvey>

YOUTH

AWAKENING

FORENSICS NIGHT!

This Friday at Awakening we will be having a forensics night, solving and identifying who the bomber is! Come along to enjoy a relaxed, fun and Christ-filled night!

Arrive at 7:15pm and we will be concluding at 9:45pm. \$4 per night, \$1 cans and ChildSafe forms are required.

Website: <http://www.gglc.org.au>

Facebook/Instagram: gglcyouth

Jesse Hahn – 0431 523 160



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Mon 9th

Emi Schutz

Tues 10th

Jenny Canavese

Thurs 11th

Charlotte Wilson

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

This week
in your LCA

To check out what's happening visit www.lca.org.au

GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH CONTACTS

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GGLC Council
Chairperson: Darren Stevenson
Vice Chairperson: Elnora Schmocker
Secretary: Denise Kloeden
Worship: Jacquie Schutz
Ministry & Outreach: Christiaan Hersevoort
Plant & Human Resources: Simon Ahrens
Youth: Nicole Fielke
Treasurer: Simon Williams
Extra Member: Tanya Wilson, *Dave Shrowder, Allyson Dutschke*
Principal: (ex officio)

PASTORAL CARERS
 Ken Campbell
 Christiaan Hersevoort
 Elnora Schmocker
 Marty Seidel
 Dave Shrowder
 Pastor Len Tscharke
 Claire Tscharke
 Judith Whaites
 Lynette Plane

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 18th 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)*

Darren Stevenson *(GGLC Chairperson)*

Manse Working Bee – Next One!

Thanks to all that helped over the previous Working Bees at the Manse. This will hopefully be the last major working bee required if we achieve our tasks. **We do need numbers of people here though to get these tasks done as these tasks require many hands.** I am aware that there is a Men's Breakfast at Para Vista that morning with Frank Seeley speaking. Please feel free to attend that first then come to the manse if you wish.

NOTE! We will be keeping outside the house due to works inside but will have access to inside toilet – we will picnic under the carport!

Manse Address: 8 Laredo Court, Wynn Vale

Can we please ask if you park along the street either side to ensure that your car wheels don't go onto the peoples lawned median strips as they all have sprinklers along the kerb and unfortunately some were damaged previously during working bees. Also the next house on the left has Stretched Limos, can we ensure that cars are well clear of his driveway and not parked opposite as they need a fair turning circle to exit. If you like, you can also park at the Church and walk as it is only a very short distance. Please keep in front of the Manse clear.

Sat 21st November from 8.30 AM (Outside Only) Please bring some food to share. Main Jobs to be tackled will be:

- Remove and replace the back brush fence. (Bring Cordless Drill, Tin Snips, Pliers & Gloves)
- Paint exterior railings. (Bring Paint Pots, Brushes & drop-sheet if have any – I have some there)
- Lift, level and re-lay part of the front path.
- Re-mulch gardens with fresh mulch.

Please bring wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, gloves & multi-fold ladders if you have them.

Once this is done, then we can re-evaluate where we are at and plan any further work needed. Please get behind this and join in on the fun and fellowship that these events create. Remember many hands make light work! Thanks.

Any questions, please contact Daniel Dutschke

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Golden Grove Lutheran
 Church half yearly meeting
 will be held on

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29,
10.45am.

GGLC Attendance & Offerings

(Offerings do not include electronic giving amount of approx. \$12000 per month .)

The LLL Account No. for GGLF Regular Electronic Giving is 28190/
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**To transfer money into the LLL Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship REG A/c please use:
 BSB (Branch) number - 704942 and Account No. - 28190**

	1st November 2015 OFFERINGS	ATTENDANCE
9.30am	\$326.90	85
Salt Factory	\$38.25	15