

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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14th December 2014—3rd Sunday of Advent

# 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 message shared with us today.

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

Please feel welcome to join us.

# Before worship

Waiting, waiting .....

We live in an age when instant gratification seems to be the goal. The Queen song—"I want it all" sums it up so well—I want it all, and I want it **NOW**!

But as we reach the third Sunday of Advent our waiting for Christ at Christmas continues. As much as we might try, we can't tell God to hurry up. He knows what we need, and He also knows that by learning patience, endurance and tolerance we become better people.

Life happens—in God's time—not in our time; and according to God's plans for us—not our plans.

May this Advent be a time of us stopping and waiting, finding calm and peace in the society busy-ness of Christmas. May we rest in God's tender care and patiently wait on Him.

# Allyson Dutschke

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Readings for today	Worship portunitie	Sunday 21st Dec	9.30 am 11.30 am 6.30 pm	Carols & readings service Korean Community Church Full dress rehearsal of Christmas Eve drama
Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 1 Thess. 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28	A IdO	Wed 24th Dec Thurs 25th Dec Sun 28th Dec	7.00 pm 9.30 am 9.30 am	Christmas Eve drama Christmas Day worship with HC Contemporary 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.

The *"Kids at Heart"* team run a special time for children in the foyer area during the sermon. That way, the children have some time with their parents during the morning services, and also a little bit of time to learn about our God and what He means to us through artistic activities with their friends. All children are welcome to join in this time. 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

Welcome to Pastor Chris Mann who is leading the service and presenting the message this morning.

What do you do when life is a mess? Do you write a plan, fight your way out and emerge victorious?

Or do you wallow in misery? Compare yourself to others who have it better than you?

God, through Paul, gives us instructions for life to follow - as individuals, as families, and as congregations, that can seem... well... insensitive and unrealistic.

Join us as we gain a glimpse of how God would have us live as people who know Jesus.

Today you will have opportunity to give your special "**Christmas is Giving**" offering. (*Please place it in the offering plate when it comes around in the service.*)

<u>Next Sunday</u>, there is a part of the service (during the singing of a carol) when you are encouraged to give your special offering (if you didn't do it today).

As I have been letting you know over the last few weeks. This offering is based on Christmas being a time of giving. God gave us our Lord Jesus, as **John 3:16** put it "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son...." And He invites us to respond to his gift to us with our giving.

The giving will be to support our ministry at Golden Grove Lutheran Church ("the Budget").

I have encouraged you to use an envelope that you have marked with "*Christmas is Giving*". This is only for statistical purposes. Give in whatever form you desire.

Our Salt Factory service tonight will be a *carols by candlelight "camp fire service"*. Next Sunday the morning service will be a *carols and readings* with the children acting out the Christmas story. And in the evening is our "*dress rehearsal*" for our Christmas play.

I have received a CALL from Carlsruhe-Saddleworth Parish. Please pray for me as I deliberate on whether I should accept this call (and leave our congregation here at Golden Grove) or continue here.

### From the Half yearly Meeting:

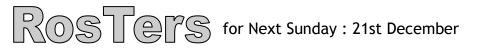
- Worship centre toilets: plan to do when worship centre loan finishes in about 2yrs
- Seating replacement: we will continue to fix while looking into long term options suitable for both school & congregation needs
  Central Eyre Peninsula partnership: survey early year of our congregation to determine who are offering billeting. (Please notify
- Elnora if you are able to offer billeting or have other ideas for the partnership.)
- Youth Ministry: looking toward employing a youth coordinator with a "youth support team" (youth counsellors)
- **Partnership with St Johns TTG:** in children and youth ministry, is being developed
- **Gathering-** suggestions will be used to develop a comprehensive survey early next year; results to guide strategic planning in 2015
- A general (short!) Time, Talents & Treasures survey will be circulated early next year
- **Name change-** we will now be known as Golden Grove Lutheran Church (not Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship) informallywhilst legal implications are gradually dealt with after constitutional alterations have been made
- Pastor Chris Mann involvement with our congregation to be discussed with Bishop.
- Proposal for 2015 worship plan ie. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month Baptisms and the 4th Sunday School/Kids at Heart involvement
  to be seen as a guide only.
- Darren Stevenson elected Chair of the congregation.

How could you use the **Christmas play flyers**? We have produced flyers promoting our Christmas Eve play (and a couple of other events around Christmas). **Why not** give these to your neighbours (or put them in their letterbox), insert them in a Christmas card which you are sending/giving to someone close to our church or put a small pile in local businesses (with their permission)?

### **Please Remember:**

- **1. To show respect for the displays and equipment in our church plant.** You may have to move a display or some equipment but replace it as you found it and be careful with it.
- 2. Tidy up/clean up after you have used that part of the church plant. As we say "leave it as you found it".
- **3. Borrowing church plant.** Some equipment in our church plant can be taken on loan, other equipment may actually be privately owned (and on loan to the church). Please check (with Judith) before you borrow anything.
- 4. **Book in to use Church plant** (through Judith or Elaine). Where a facility is used as much as what we use our church plant the only way that you know for sure that another group is not about to use the area you are in or that you are able to leave your stuff there is by booking the area you would like to use.

(As you can imagine the only reason I am reminding you about this procedure is because there have been violations and consequent angst.)



PA + Open- ing/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
Joel Schiller	Jeramy Lindner	Hybrid band	Dutschke	Ken Campbell	Ps Leon  N Jaeschke	Ps Leon  M Knapp	G Hoklas A Kupke	Denise Kloeden	Davidson Dabinett	
Simon Ahrens			Elnora Schmocker							NO CATERING

# REACHING OUT THROUGH PRAYER

# Meet at 5.30 pm TONIGHT for "Reaching out through prayer"

In the small Chapel next to the Fellowship lounge area. ("Reaching out through Prayer" is a GGLF Youth initiative).

Pray in a small group for a personal breakthrough (or silently) in the "House of prayer" with fellow Christians. Let the Holy Spirit guide & help us for personal break through

<u>Kick off prayer his Sunday</u>—For our outreach through Christmas (the flyers) and the Christmas play.

This opportunity for this prayer will be in recess while Salt Factory services are in recess (from this Sunday to the end of January

Remember In the meantime if you would like someone to pray with contact one of the Reaching Out through prayer team (Luke, Jon & Leanne Schiller, Paul & Nadia Napier.)

# **EVERYONE WELCOME**

Following prayer time stay for Salt Factory service at 6.30 pm

# Fellowship Group News & Events

## OPEN HOUSE - Monday 15th December - 7.30pm at Schiller's (Wynn Vale)

Bible study teaching God's word with the opportunity for a "personal breakthrough" in prayer & healing for anything people have needs in, mental, physical, spiritual, anything at all. Come once or as often as you like.

First part is Rev Mike Endicott (Blind healer) - DVD's Mike Endicott - a lot of us got to see a number of healings in person at Hope Valley Uniting church. This to then followed by healing /prayer

Contact Paul Napier 0413 604 000 or Jon Schiller 0424 186 149.

# Worship times for post Christmas & January 2015

Please note that on Sunday 28th December and during January there will only be <u>ONE SERVICE</u> held at 9.30 am.

Join us for our Family Celebration with Choir and Carols as children and adults tell the story of



'The Busy Innkeeper' and his life changing adventure

On Christmas Eve Wednesday 24th December at 7pm or come along to the Premiere Sunday 21st at 6:30pm

> What is the joy stealer in your life? Could being busy cause you to miss out?

Written by Margey Knapp & Produced by Dawn Rutter & Sue Fielke



# **Decorating the Christmas Tree**

**Next Sunday** (21st Dec) after worship we would like to decorate our church Christmas tree and need helping hands to share in the fun of decorating the tree. If you can stay for a little while to help would be great.

Thank you



**HELP NEEDED—Next Sunday Dec 21** help would be appreciated in moving back and stacking the chairs in preparation for the annual steam cleaning of the carpets in the Worship Centre & Fellowship Centre planned for 22nd Dec 2014.

# LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE ADELAIDE: URGENT REQUEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DISTRIBUTE CHRISTMAS <u>HAMPERS</u>

We are in urgent need of volunteers to help distribute Christmas Hampers on Tuesday and Wednesday, 16-17 December at our Blair Athol location (309 Prospect Road, Blair Athol). To ensure the day goes smoothly we still require four volunteers for Tuesday and two volunteers for Wednesday.

If you have time to spare this week and would like to help those in need at Christmas, please contact our Blair Athol office on Monday at 08 8269 9300. Because of the urgency we are only able to work with volunteers who have a current police check.

Daily Bible Readings for this week Mon: (15/12/14) Gal. 5:25-6:10 Tues: (16/12/14) Gal. 6:11-18 Wed: (17/12/14) Phil. 1:1-11 Thurs: (18/12/14) Phil. 1:12-30 Fri: (19/12/14) Phil. 2:1-11 Sat: (20/12/14) Luke 1:46-55 Sunday: (21/12/14) 2 Sam. 7:1-11, 16 Rom. 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38	INK JET CARTRIDGES AVAILABLE I have had to purchase a new printer for home and would like to give away excess printer cartridges (new ones) from my old printer. Will suit Epson Stylus NX11, NX130, NX125, NX230, NX420, NX430 and EPSON WORK- FORCE WF320, WF325, WF435, WF525. Cartridges are 2 @ 133 black, 1 each of 138 high capacity black, yel- low and cyan. Please let me know if you can use them Margey Knapp 8289 5443	PLEASE CHECK O NOTICEBOARD FO NOTICES AND O OPPORTUNIT As an aid for the hearing impaired, th transmitted on 88.3 MHz FM radio. <u>Prayer Chain</u> Means a lot of people praying ab special need. For urgent prayer re-	
POSITIONS VACANT OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR [24 hours a week] The Office Administrator provides admin- istrative support for the Executive Officers of SA Council of Churches Inc (SACC) and Chaplaincy Services SA Inc (CSSA), and a broad range of administrative and man- agement services for the Offices of SACC	Female students seeking rental ac- commodation in 2015 Responsible, reliable and conscien- tious. Seeking 2 or 3 bedroom unit/house with off-street parking in near south or western suburbs close to the city.	week you are invited to contact one ple and the prayer chain will be (Pastor Len & Claire Tscharke, Jo Wilson, Judith Whaites.) All requests will be kept confidential. The prayer chain is available for eve church and school communities. Li feels they would like to be a part or we'd love you to join us. <u>Worship recordin</u> Each service is recorded. DVD's can be	
and CSSA. Details at <u>www.sacc.asn.au</u> Applicants are required to submit a written application addressing the <b>Person</b> <b>Specification/Selection Criteria</b> together with a brief CV. Applicants should include the name and contact details of three referees. All applications are to be emailed to Geraldine Hawkes, Executive Officer <u>sacc1@picknowl.com.au</u>	Non -smokers. No pets. Please contact Pastor Peter Miller, tertiary student and young adult chaplain. 0409 725 573 peter.miller@sa.lca.org.au Soul Factor Gospel Choir is thrilled to present a return	donation. See the Church Office. <u>Bibles</u> Bibles are available at the back of th you can follow the Readings and Bib the Sermon. We offer you one of these Bibles to t need one, and possibly bring back es the one you use at home is the one you church). If you would like to make a of it - \$10 would be appreciated. <u>Meals Ministry</u> (A practical way we can share & sh	

Closing date for applications: 10am, 5 January 2015

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# **GOLDEN GROVE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP**

## **Pastor: Leon Rosenberg**

Children's Ministry Coordinator Sarah Williams

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GOSPEL CHOIR season of our hilar-

ious musical "For Unto Y'all" this

18th-21st December at Scott Thea-

TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Bookings at www.soulfactorgospel

choir.com or 0400 893 739

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# **GGLPS Principal: Daryl Trigg**

# **GGLF** Council

Chairperson Vice Chairperson Secretarv Worship Ministry & Outreach Plant & Human Resources Youth Elder/Pastoral Care Treasurer Principal Pastor

Christmas

Avenue.

Darren Stevenson Elnora Schmocker Denise Kloeden Jacquie Schutz Christiaan Hersevoort Simon Ahrens Jason Kupke Elnora Schmocker Simon Williams (ex officio) (ex officio)

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### Meals Ministry

(A practical way we can share & show God's love) Families rostered to support Meals Ministry in December are: Hoklas, Dutschke.

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.

## Library

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.

## Pastor Leon's Message

is available in printed copy form immediately after the service from the Church Foyer . Please feel welcome to take a copy home.

## Internet access

to weekly GGLF bulletin, Sermon, Life in the Vine, rosters and other info. You can get to it by going to www.gglf.org.au

## Stamps For Missions

Remember to keep collecting your used postage stamps for missions. Box in Foyer.

### **GGLF 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/\$1/601

To transfer money into the LLL Golden Grove Lutheran Fellowship REG A/c please use:

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7/12/14, 9.30 am &	\$405.30	185
Korean church	\$154.00	24
Salt Factory, 6.30 pm	Nil	12