

Bethlehem Morley

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Weld Court, Morley

Epiphany of our Lord

January 3rd, 2016

Welcome

We warmly welcome all of you here today for our worship. If you would like to talk further about faith in Christ or the Church, please contact our Elders.

After worship you are invited to stay for a cuppa and meet our members .

Please feel free to write your name and address in our visitor's book.



Worship:

Sundays at 9.30am

Sunday School at 10:00am

Contact Details

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Bookings

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Visit us on the Web at www.morley.wa.lca.org.au



Our Mission

Being fed with the grace of the Triune God through His Word and Sacraments, Bethlehem Lutheran Church is called to share this Bread of Life with the spiritually hungry of our community

Entry Psalm: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Leader: *Teach the king to judge with your righteousness, O God; share with him your own justice,*

People: so that he will rule over your people with justice and govern the oppressed with righteousness.

May the land enjoy prosperity; may it experience righteousness.

May the king judge the poor fairly; may he help the needy and defeat their oppressors.

May your people worship you as long as the sun shines, as long as the moon gives light, for ages to come.

May the king be like rain on the fields, like showers falling on the land.

May righteousness flourish in his lifetime, and may prosperity last as long as the moon gives light.

The kings of Spain and of the islands will offer him gifts; the kings of Arabia and Ethiopia will bring him offerings.

All kings will bow down before him; all nations will serve him.

He rescues the poor who call to him, and those who are needy and neglected.

He has pity on the weak and poor; he saves the lives of those in need.

He rescues them from oppression and violence; their lives are precious to him.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray that people of all nations come to faith in Christ.

Eternal God, you led the wise men by the shining of a star to adore your Son. Guide the nations by his light, so that the whole world sees your glory. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 60:1-6

The nations will come to the light

Ephesians 3:1-12

God reveals his age-long purpose in Christ

Matthew 2:1-12

Wise men worship Christ the king



Prayers of God's People

- For those dealing with changing circumstances and many other issues: Margaret & Ernest Klenner, Vickery Family, Amelia Chrulew and family, Elfrida Kaszanski and family, Roslyn, Lois & Jye, Rihi and family (Carmen's daughter)
- For those dealing with health issues: Lisa Sitarz, Theresa Toborsky, Selma Hohol, Kaila Nosow, Jutta Chrulew and Klaus Hornscheidt.
- For our new Pastor, Matthew Bishop and his family as they prepare for the move to WA and full-time ministry
- For all those impacted by fires across Australia
- Thanksgiving for fire-fighters, ambulance officers, SES crews, police officers and other emergency workers who will be on duty over the holidays
- For those who pass on the apostolic message of the gospel
- For missionaries, both in other countries and here at home
- For all nations, that the light of Christ shines on them
- For our own nation, that its leaders and people pursue peace and justice
- For those who say they are Christians but do not practise their faith
- For those who are wealthy, that they share their wealth as a gift to the poor

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

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| Monday 4th | Matthew 1:1-17 |
| Tuesday 5th | Matthew 1:18-25 |
| Wednesday 6th | Matthew 2:1-12 |
| Thursday 7th | Matthew 2: 13-23 |
| Friday 8th | Matthew 3: 1-12 |
| Saturday 9th | Psalms 36:5-10 |

Pastoral Care and Support

While we are without a residential pastor, for any pastoral care or emergency, please contact :-

- John Zadow 9276 2231
- Wally Chrulew 9275 4692
- Robert Giersch 0421 084 434

COMING UP OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday 3rd 9:30am Bethlehem Worship with Communion
Sunday 10th 9:30am Bethlehem Worship
Sunday 17th 9:30am Bethlehem Worship with Communion

| Bookings—Other Events | | |
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| Sun 3rd | January | 1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church |
| Sun 10th | January | 1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church |
| Sun 17th | January | 1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church |
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WORSHIP SERVICE – NEXT WEEK

First Sunday after Epiphany — January 10th, (white)

Readings: (Isaiah 43:1-7, Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17,21,22)

Flowers: Christa

Cleaners: C Kempin

All Items, etc for the “Bethlehem Bulletin” should be given or emailed to Lorraine at bulletin@morley.wa.lca.org.au by Wednesday afternoon

Non Perishable Food Required

Can you help with any items to stock the Manse pantry?

We have 2 weeks to stock the pantry before the arrival of the Bishops.

Any queries please see Susan Kroeger



There will be a Blessing of the Manse Sunday January 10th.



Listen to FACE TO FACE and invite others to do the same. Download or listen online at www.face2face.org.au, including on your mobile internet devices.

3rd January It doesn't make sense (Bishop John Henderson)
Why is it that the smallest things in life irritate us the most?

10th January The river trip (Pastor Richard Fox)
How do you balance life's demands such as work, family and leisure?

17th January Science and faith (Interview)
Where did the idea of gift giving begin and why do we still do it?

24th January Families under pressure (Pastor Adrian Kitson)
How do you see Christmas? Do you look forward to it with anticipation? Or do you wonder if you'll experience the peace and joy that Christmas promises?

31st January A ladder and a torch (Interview)
"It might be the cynic in me but I sometimes wonder if Christmas is just one big coverup"

CLAIM THE DATE – GODLY PLAY CORE TRAINING 2016

23-25 April 2016 (Anzac Long Weekend)

St Cuthbert's Church, Darlington

Godly Play is a Montessori method of telling Bible stories, developed by Jerome Berryman, using parables, sacred stories and liturgical lessons about religious traditions using simple materials. It is used extensively with adults and children in many settings, from schools to hospitals, churches to aged care facilities. Godly Play can be a way of preparing children to join the worship life of their congregations as they experience sacred stories, symbols and rites and encounter the religious language associated with worship within the context of our faith tradition.

Registrations for Godly Play Core Training will open in late January. In the meantime, please 'claim the date' and forward information to people who may be interested. It is possible that Enrichment Training will also be offered. To express interest in Core Training or Enrichment Training, please email Chris Bedding at rector.darlington@live.com.au.

