Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 29 Robinson Rd, Morley

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 12th, 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 Pastor. After worship you are invited to stay for a cuppa and meet our members or Pastor. You are also warmly invited to sign our visitor's book.

Worship:

Sundays at 9.30am Sunday School at 9:45am fortnightly in term time — **NOT TODAY**

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Our Mission

Acts 2:3

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 5:1-8

Leader: Listen to my words, O Lord, and hear my sighs. People: Listen to my cry for help, my God and king!

I pray to you, O Lord;

You hear my voice in the morning; at sunrise I offer my prayer and wait for your answer.

You are not a God who is pleased with wrongdoing; you allow no evil in your presence.

You cannot stand the sight of proud men; you hate all wicked people. You destroy all liars and despise violent, deceitful men.

But because of your great love I can come into your house; I can worship in your holy temple and bow down to you in reverence.

Lord, I have so many enemies! Lead me to do your will; make

your way plain for me to follow.

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, you protect all who trust in you, and without you nothing is strong and nothing is holy: In your great mercy guide us through the good things of this life, so that in the end we do not lose the things of eternal life. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Scripture Readings:

1 Kings 21:1-21a

Naboth's vineyard

Galatians 2:15-21

Jews and Gentiles are saved by faith

Luke 7:36 - 8:3

A sinful woman forgiven; women followers



We continue to have the Gospel proclaimed to us today from Paul's letter to the church at Galatia. **The text is Galatians 2:15-21**. It is one of **the key** Scriptural foundations to our understanding that salvation is ours purely through faith in Jesus Christ. We thank God for the comfort of this teaching: but

more so, for Christ who died to give us benefits now and to life eternal.

Today we welcome the first seven of ten recent 'Step up to Communion' students to the Lord's Table ('first communion'). What a huge faith milestone for them! The remaining three students are scheduled to be admitted on 26 June 2016.

At the beginning of today's service we consecrate our brand new Roland electric piano to the Lord's Service. This is a high quality and valuable instrument. We thank God for the generous anonymous donor. But even more than that, we thank God for his gift of music. For in it, he brings to us his gifts of forgiveness and strengthening of faith in such delightful and creative ways! Col 3:16; Eph 5:19-20, Psalm 95: 1-7a; Psalm 108:1-5... (the list goes on)

Next LYWA Grow **Young Adult Bible/Faith study** 7:30pm Thursday 16 July 2016 at Bethlehem Morley. The topic is no less than 'How we got our New Testament'. See you there.

In your 'hardcopy' bulletin today is the latest **Finke River Mission** quarterly newsletter. This newsletter is a terrific read - something for everyone in terms of history, ministry happenings (the story on the Women's Bible Leadership Camp is a great example of practical Gospel-centred equipping), some personal stories and the difference a few generous hearts make. This time last year I'd just got back from a St Michael's Hahndorf shed men work trip to Hermannsburg, where we did a range of building, mechanical and odd jobs projects for the FRM. I can attest first hand to the great work the FRM does. Next week we'll include the FRM in our 'Prayer of the Church'.

Registration forms for the LYWA YAC camp Wed 6 July 2016 to Sun 10 July are now available. Register by 13 June to secure the super early-bird rate. A small number of registration forms have been placed in the foyer.

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Pastor's Pen Continued....

It's marvellous what a difference milo makes! Some weeks ago our congregation was invited to provide some key supplies - eggs and milo - to help with the Hampton Senior High School Breakfast Club that is run each Thursday morning from 8-8:50am. The idea is that students who might not normally have breakfast, and even those who do, can gather for some pre-lesson nourishment and socialising. It's run by the student services team, which is all the staff who don't teach but have student welfare responsibilities.

The eggs and milo we have been asked to supply cannot be sourced from FoodBank or other low cost / free options. The eggs get scrambled and go into toasted sandwiches... the Milo just makes a marvellous difference (to energy, concentration and likely hyperactivity.. but it is yummy!)

After consultation with Bethlehem Community Care, the decision was made to provide the eggs and milo until the end of 2016. Hampton SHS are extremely grateful... it was a nice surprise to hear that Bethlehem Lutheran Church will be thanked as sponsors in their newsletters etc. What a great way to raise the awareness of our little corner of the kingdom in our wider community!

However, there exists also the opportunity to assist directly with breakie preparation - **extra hands are desperately needed**. So please see me (Pastor Matt) if you might be able to spare an hour first thing Thursday mornings in the breakneck pace that is the Hamptom SHS breakfast club kitchen. ALSO, tins of milo - the larger the better - are needed, so please place in the baskets on the way into worship. That way they can be blessed and prayed for as part of our weekly offerings. Psalm 116:12.

BREAKFAST IS THE MOST IMPORTANT MEAL OF THE DAY.

While adults need to eat breakfast each day to perform their best, kids need it even more. Their growing bodies and developing brains rely heavily on the regular intake of food for optimum performance in school and sports.





Word Search Puzzle

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Luke 7:44-48
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Bethlehem Community Care pantry needs:

We had a great response over lent to our request for certain goods. Right now we need tins of milo (for Hampton High breakfast), tuna, rice, cous cous and processed cheese (for our food parcel boxes). There is a steady demand for our food parcels we continue to be Christ our amongst our community through this service. Praise be to God!







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Soup is available after the service today for a gold coin donation. Warming effect complimentary!

All proceeds go to the important Bible translation work Hannah Schulz continues to

undertake in PNG's remote Western Province.

This is a fortnightly initiative.

Volunteer soup providers needed for future fortnights please!

Prayer Points

- Praise be to God that we are made right with God ('justified') NOT by works of the law but through faith in Christ (Gal 2:16)
- That with humble hearts we will not set aside the grace of God... for Christ did not die for 'nothing' (Gal 2:21)
- Thanksgiving for God's grace given to our seven students being admitted to the Lord's Table today (1 Cor 10:16-17).
- Thanksgiving for our new electric piano by which we may 'Sing and make music from our hearts to the Lord' (Eph 5:19b)
- That all Christians would live out our faith toward one another in love (Gal 6:6b).
- That Christ's church may show his love to all those whom society regards as 'untouchable' (Luke 7:48,50).
- For a restraint of the violence witnessed in PNG this week and for the rule of law to be justly, yet considerately preserved in all societies, including through the protection of the weak (Isaiah 1:17).
- That God will comfort all who suffer, including our members dealing with illness, loss, loneliness, ruptured relationships and anxiety (Ps 46:1)

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- Those dealing with health issues: Fred Kroeger, Elfrida Kaszanski, Lisa Sitarz, Jutta Chrulew, Carmen Lawson, Lucinda Osborne, Susan Kroeger, Roslyn Zadow, Basil Nelson and Tristram Van Rooyen.
- Those facing challenging circumstances: Margaret and Ernst Klenner, Amelia Chrulew and family, Roslyn, Lois and Jye, Carmen's daughter Rihi and family
- " For safety, wellbeing and protection: Mike, Serica, Sterling, Gibson and '?' Yurisich.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday 13th	Matthew 21:10-22
Tuesday 14th	Matthew 21:23-32
Wednesday 15th	Matthew 21:33-46
Thursday 16th	Matthew 22:1-14
Friday 17th	Matthew 22:15-22
Saturday 18th	Psalm 42 & 43

Questions about attending Holy Communion in the Lutheran Church?

'Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and drink.'

Come to this sacrament:

- as a sinner who wants God's forgiveness;
- as a baptised believer who trusts that Jesus died for the forgiveness of sin;
- as a guest who humbly accepts what Jesus gives his true body and blood with the bread and wine;
- as a witness who gladly joins in this public confession of the death of Christ. Should you not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may remain in your pew or come to the altar to receive a blessing - crossing your arms to signify your intention.

COMING UP OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday 12th 9:30am Bethlehem Worship—Special faith milestone celebration as students from the step up to Communion class are admitted to the Lord's Table.

Sunday 19th 9:30am Bethlehem Worship Sunday 26th 9:30am Bethlehem Worship

Bookings: Visit us on the Web at www.morley.wa.lca.org.au or email us at bookings@morley.wa.lca.org.au

Bookings—Other Events	
Sun 12th June	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church
Thurs 16th June	7:30pm LYWA Young Adult Bible study
Sat 18th June	10-2:30pm LWWA Exec Mtg
Sun 19th June	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church
Sun 26th June	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church

WORSHIP SERVICE – NEXT WEEK

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost — June 19th, (Green)

Readings: (1 Kings 19:1-15a, Galatians 3:23-29, Luke 8:26-39)

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All Items, etc for the "Bethlehem Bulletin" should be given or emailed to Pastor Matt by Wednesday afternoon