

# Bethlehem Morley

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 29 Robinson Rd, Morley

**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

**October 2nd, 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

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 137

**Leader:** *By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion.*

**People:** **There on the poplars we hung our harps,**  
*for there our captors asked us for songs, our tormentors demanded songs of joy; they said, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"*

**How can we sing the songs of the LORD while in a foreign land?**

*If I forget you, Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its skill.*

**May my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, if I do not consider Jerusalem my highest joy.**

*Remember, LORD, what the Edomites did on the day Jerusalem fell.*

*"Tear it down," they cried, "tear it down to its foundations!"*

**Daughter Babylon, doomed to destruction, happy is the one who repays you according to what you have done to us.**

*Happy is the one who seizes your infants and dashes them against the rocks.*

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray that we may live by faith.

**Almighty and merciful God, you have ordered our earthly life that we must walk by faith and not by sight. Give us such trust in your fatherly care that we show our faith by our courage in the face of all perplexities. 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:

**Lamentations 1:1-6**                      The deserted city of Jerusalem

**2 Timothy 1:1-14**                      Encouragement to be faithful

**Luke 17:5-10**                          Faith and duty



**Can a Mulberry tree really get up and plant itself into the sea (Luke 17:6)?** Today we'll take a look at this saying of Jesus, including as it relates to what Paul says about faith in 2 Timothy 2:1-13. There Christ and his saving work for us is front and centre in God's gift of faith to Christians (1 Tim 2:10), which is

sustained and guarded (2 Tim 1:14b) by God's Spirit of power, love and self control (2 Tim 1:7).

Today, during Divine Service we **install** Bethlehem's new team of **lay-assistants**. Please keep in your prayers Mr Wally Chrulew, Mr John Zadow, Mrs Carmen Lawson, Mr Phil Schmeiss, Mrs Carol Schmeiss, Mrs Melissa Bishop and Mrs Kearabiloe Dube as they serve Christ and us here at Bethlehem. 1 Peter 4:10: 'Each one of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others'.

**Wittenberg 500:** This Thursday night, 6 October 2016 you are warmly invited to attend my presentation to the General Meeting of the Council of Churches of WA, which will be held at the Noranda Uniting Church, 70 Camboon Road, Noranda. The theme is 'Wittenberg 500'. Registrations and refreshments start at 5pm. The meeting and presentation commences at 6pm. All welcome - some places have been set aside for Bethlehem members.

**Advent evening item?** If you have a brief (up to five minute) Advent/Christmas item that you might like to present at our Advent evening on 27 November 2016 please speak to or email me, or one of the lay-assistants, for more information.

**Prayers for marriage:** In the context of the current national discussions on the definition of marriage LCA Bishop John Henderson circulated a request last week that over the first four Sunday's in October we join our Roman Catholic brothers and sisters in Christ who are praying for the institution of marriage. Accordingly, each week our *Prayer of the Church* will include a specific petition written by Pastor Simon MacKenzie of Wollongong Lutheran Parish, NSW. A statement on marriage prepared by Bishop Henderson in May 2015 can be found <http://www.lca.org.au/statement-to-the-members-of-the-lca-on-marriage.html>

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**Jesus Lord and Saviour seminar:** All members are welcome to attend our confirmation teaching from 2-5pm Sat 15 and Sat 22 October 2016. During these seminars we will review what the Scripture teaches us about Jesus' birth, life, preaching, teaching, miracles, crucifixion, resurrection and ascension, and look at what all this means to us for our personal salvation.

I am on annual leave next week. Our lay assistants are able to assist with pastoral matters and will be in touch with me as needed



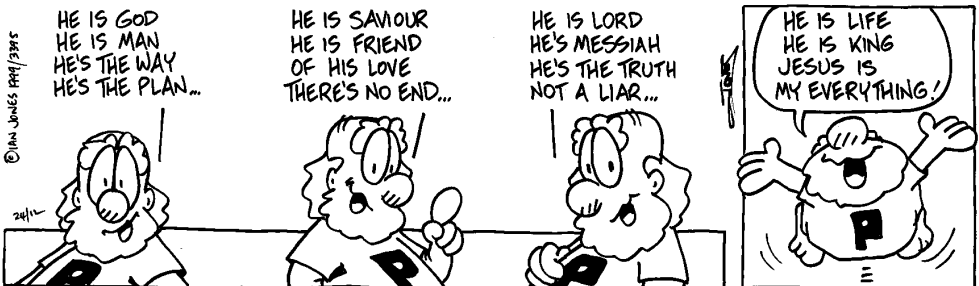
# **LONGEST**

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## LUTHERAN LUNCH

13 November 2016,  
shortly after church.

**Why not invite a friend?**



# Forthcoming special worship services and dates'?

The period from late October to late November will be a busy and exciting time for Bethlehem Morley. Bethlehem Council invites you to please schedule the following dates in your diary. Note: it is not envisaged the services will be longer than usual; they just have a special theme!



## 9:30AM Sunday 30 October:

Celebration of 50 years since the formation of the Lutheran Church of Australia. This will be a special service of thanksgiving, which among other things will focus on songs and music home-grown in the LCA, including some with close connections to Bethlehem Morley today.

## 9:30AM Sunday 6 November: All Saints Day commemoration.

During this service we will have a time of prayer and thanksgiving for our loved ones who over the past year (or so) have gone to their eternal glory. Please pass the names of those you wish to have remembered onto either Pastor Matt or a lay-assistant. Ephesians 1:11-23. **Children are invited** to dress in Super Hero costumes - all will be explained on the day!!!

## From 9:30AM Sunday 13 November:

Reformation commemoration, National Church Life Survey and

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**LUTHERAN LUNCH**

Longest Lutheran Lunch. What a day!!! Straight after our service, which will commemorate being saved by grace through faith, the congregation will be invited to complete the National Church Life Survey. This survey is completed by Christians in their churches all over Australia to help with assessing needs and planning. Bethlehem Council would appreciate having as many of you here as possible. After this we will hold our Longest Lutheran Lunch - more details coming.

**Sunday 27 November (time to be advised):** Advent tea and items. Yes - it's really not that far until Advent begins and we start to reflect once more on what it is to have God among us as we prepare for Christmas. Details for our 2016 Advent tea are forthcoming, but please save this late afternoon/early evening date in your diary. A Sunday morning service will be held that day at Bethlehem, at the usual time.

# Word Search Puzzle

from [www.geocities.com/lectionarypuzzles/](http://www.geocities.com/lectionarypuzzles/)

words in a straight line in all directions

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E S U A C E B P A N R N I E N M R O O T R L  
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**(Lamentations 1:1-6)**

**Word List**

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SERVITUDE PROVINCES OVERTAKEN MULTITUDE FESTIVALS  
STRENGTH PURSUERS PRINCESS DISTRESS DESOLATE DEPARTED  
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# Our New Church Council for 2016-2017

Chairperson	Fred Styants
Vice-chairperson	Keith Kowald
Secretary	John Theodorsen
Treasurer	Fred Kroeger
Extra Members	Susan Kroeger Michael Yurisich Ben Gargett Chris Kuchel Lucinda Osborne Elfie Heller
Lay Assistants	Wally Chrulew, John Zadow, Carmen Lawson, Phil Schmeiss, Carol Schmeiss, Melissa Bishop and Kearabiloe Dube
Property Committee	Amanda Gargett
Auditor	Nigel Ridgeway
Sunday School Superintendent	Elissa Farr
Lay Readers	Fred Styants, John Zadow, Phil Schmeiss, Margaret Mansas, Nigel Ridgeway, Chris Kempin and Carmen Lawson

Please Pray for our new leadership team.

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**If anyone would like the Bulletin emailed to them please drop me a line—address on back of Bulletin. The Bulletin is always available on the web site before Sunday Service.—Lorraine**

# Got conflict? You're not alone!

Jesus, our Peacemaker, promises, 'I am with you always, to the very end of the age' (Matt. 28:20).

**No one escapes conflict.** Misunderstandings, differences in values and goals, and competition for limited resources can lead to bitter disputes. Behind all this the Bible teaches that our sinful desires cause fights and quarrels among us (James 4:1-3). The truth is, sinful people living among other sinful people experience friction.



**But God knew that we would experience conflict, and he didn't leave us powerless or alone.**

Attend ***Blessed Are the Peacemakers*** and learn from God's Word how you can live out your calling as a peacemaker.

## **'Blessed Are The Peacemakers' Seminar**

**Trainer: Rev. Mike Fulwood**

**Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2016**

**Perth Chinese Christian Church**

**9, Gedling Close, Parkwood WA. 6174**

**Cost : \$10 (inclusive lunch and course materials)**

Past participants shared:

- *The first five minutes I knew this was for me.*
- *Boy, do I have conflict! But I also have hope!*
- *I laughed and I cried, but I am leaving with Christ's peace.*
- *So practical, AND life changing!*

Presented by LCA Reconciliation Ministry  
**Blessed Are The Peacemakers**

**Registration form on Notice board in Foyer.**



## Prayer Points



- “ Thanksgiving that Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel (2 Tim 1:10)
- “ Praise that God has given us faith that is powerful enough to bring us complete forgiveness and eternal life (Luke 17:3-6)
- “ That all Christians would rest and serve in God's Spirit of power, love and self-discipline (2 Tim 1:7)
- “ Wisdom for Australia's leaders and peace where there is conflict in the world (Eph 2:14a)
- “ For the flourishing of marriages and families in Australia (joint prayer with RC Church; Eph 5:1-2)
- “ Mercy for those out of work, the sick and disabled and those who suffer evil at the hands of those closest to them (Psalm 40:11)
- “ For all who have neglected or abandoned worship with their fellow Christians (2 Tim 2:14)
- “ That God's blessing would rest on Australian commerce and prosper all godly vocations (Psalm 24:1; 1 Cor 10:26)
- “ For the members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Blyth South Australia. On Wed, 28 September, their church building was seriously damaged. Pray also for the Blyth community, and all of South Australia, that we support each other through this serious weather event.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- “ **Those dealing with health issues:** Ewald Schmidt, Elfrida Kaszanski, Lisa Sitarz, Jutta Chrulew, Carmen Lawson, Roslyn Zadow 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, Royce family and baby Nicola and Joanna Arkoi

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday 3rd	1 Samuel 11:1-15
Tuesday 4th	1 Samuel 12:1-6, 16-25
Wednesday 5th	1 Samuel 13:5-14
Thursday 6th	1 Samuel 15:1-3, 7-23
Friday 7th	1 Samuel 15:24-35
Saturday 8th	Psalm 66:1-12

## 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

<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>9:30am Bethlehem Worship</b>
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30pm Young Adults GROW faith/Bible study</b>
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30am Bethlehem Worship</b>
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2-5pm Confirmation Seminar</b>
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30am Bethlehem Worship</b>

**Bookings:** Visit us on the Web at [www.morley.wa.lca.org.au](http://www.morley.wa.lca.org.au) or email us at [bookings@morley.wa.lca.org.au](mailto:bookings@morley.wa.lca.org.au)

<b>Bookings—Other Events</b>	
Sun 2nd Oct	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church
Mon-Fri 3-7th Oct	8-4:30 Youth Care Week
Thur 6th Oct	7:30pm Young Adults Bible Study
Sat 8th Oct	5-6:15pm Children’s Choir

## WORSHIP SERVICE – NEXT WEEK

**21st Sunday after Pentecost — October 9th, (Green)**

**Readings:** Jeremiah 29:1,4-7, 2 Timothy 2:8-15, Luke 17:11-19

**Flowers:** Carol

**Cleaners:** Schmeiss Family

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All Items for the “Bethlehem Bulletin”, please email to Lorraine ([lschutz99@gmail.com](mailto:lschutz99@gmail.com)) by Wednesday afternoon.



# *The Road Of Faith*

Shine your light O Lord  
So that I may see  
Just where I am heading  
And what's in front of me

Your word is the light  
The lamp unto my feet  
It may not light far ahead  
Nor show me where it's steep

But it gives enough light  
For each step I take  
Just enough to see ahead  
Along this road of faith

For this is what it surely is  
As we walk with Jesus Christ  
The road that we are travelling on  
Is by faith, not by sight

So shine your light O Lord  
So we may see our way  
Though you only show in part  
It's enough for each new day

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'Imagine... churches proudly displaying a yellow 'L'... letting the whole world know that they are in the process of changing drivers.'

Lutherans at Port Macquarie in NSW have a different pastoral leadership set-up than most churches. Pastor Reid Matthias explains in this issue.

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Two smiling women, likely Indigenous Australians, are featured in the photograph above. They are wearing traditional beaded necklaces. The background shows a landscape with a large white cross on a hill under a blue sky.



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