

Bethlehem Morley

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 29 Robinson Rd, Morley
TwentyFifth Sunday after Pentecost
October 6th, 2016
All Saints Day Commemoration



Worship:

Sundays at 9.30am
Sunday School at 9:45am
fortnightly in term time
— **ON TODAY**

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Welcome

Worship blessings in Christ as you gather here today to receive God's good things. If you would like to talk further concerning faith in Christ or about the Church, please contact our Pastor or one of our lay-assistants. Visitors are warmly invited to stay after worship for a cuppa with our members, and also to sign our visitor's book in the foyer

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 149

Leader: Praise the LORD, Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of his faithful people.

People: Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.

Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with timbrel and harp.

For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory.

Let his faithful people rejoice in this honor , and sing for joy on their beds.

May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands,

to inflict vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

to bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron,

to carry out the sentence written against them— this is the glory of all his faithful people.

Praise the LORD.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you bring your people together in one holy church, the body of our Lord. Lead us to follow your saints and to know the inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who love you. 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:

Daniel 7:1-3,15-18 Daniel's vision of the holy ones of the Most High

Ephesians 1:11-23 God's blessings through Christ for his people

Luke 6:20-31 Blessed are the poor and the persecuted

FROM
THE
PASTOR



'His incomparably great power for us who believe' (Ephesians 1:19): Today we celebrate All Saints Day. As part of this our children have been invited to wear superhero costumes. That might not seem very churchy. But apart from some fun, there is a point to it (of course!), which we'll talk about in the children's address. For now though, all Christians can be grateful for the way God makes us holy people (saints!) through forgiveness. Indeed, the New Testament continually refers to Christians as saints (e.g. 1 Cor 1:2; Eph 1:1; Phil 1:1). So today we will reflect on the fruits of this saintly gift and Christ's work through which it is made possible. Fittingly, we'll also remember our loved ones who have died in Christ and now rest with him.

Operation Christmas Child: We were blessed to be able to send off around 140 shoeboxes last week. The cost to freight each box to its final destination is \$9. We had a helpful response last week. Envelopes are in the foyer and on the sound desk, should you too desire to assist this ministry.

Reformation: Next weekend we commemorate the 499th year since Luther started down the road to discern a clearer word of Scripture regarding God's unconditional grace to all who believe. Romans 3:19-28. The LCA website has an excellent report of the ecumenical service in Lund Sweden on 31 October 2016 which LCA Bishop John Henderson attended.

National Church Life Survey: Straight after the service next weekend, before our Longest Lutheran Lunch, we take around 15 minutes to fill out our five-yearly National Church Life Survey. Your answers are really important to help with planning the future needs of our congregation. And for the first time ever children and youth aged 8-15 will have their own survey to complete. Questions? Talk to Lucinda Ridgway.

Longest Lutheran Lunch next weekend: We can't have people going hungry at our lunch! So please ensure you have filled out and dropped off your attendance forms (in the basket in the narthex/foyer). And why not invite a friend?

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Lorraine does it again! Thanks to Lorraine Schutz for suggesting the symbol on the front of this week's bulletin. As the LCA Commission on Worship website explains: 'A common symbol for All Saints is the crown of victory with a sheaf of wheat representing the final harvest'.

Hampton High 50th anniversary, 3-4:30pm, 9 November 2016:

Can you help? Bethlehem has been invited to assist the school Chaplain run a stall from 3-4:30pm which both promotes the Breakfast Club and offers a sausage sizzle. Funds from the sausage sizzle will contribute towards supporting the Breakfast Club in 2017.

We thank God for this opportunity to have an active presence in the community. Pleasingly, the school has requested we also ensure that signage stating our sponsorship of the breakfast is clearly visible. Please see Pastor Matt if you can help out that day, even if for a short period.



Mosul Emergency

ALWS commits \$20,000.

Your help is needed urgently for Lutheran-supported care for Mosul refugees.



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Lutheran
World Service

www.alws.org.au

Christmas Hamper
goodies would be
greatly appreciated
—see insert in
Bulletin



2017 Offering Envelopes are now available—they can be used immediately if you wish.

Forthcoming special worship services and dates

From 9:30AM Sunday 13 November:

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Reformation commemoration,
National Church Life Survey and
Longest Lutheran Lunch. What a day!!!

Straight after our service the congregation will
be invited to complete the National Church Life Survey. Bethlehem
Council would appreciate having as many of you here as possible. After
this we will hold our Longest Lutheran Lunch - see insert in Bulletin

LONGEST
LUTHERAN LUNCH



Advent Tea and items

-Sunday 27 November from 5pm:

Please join us for a community tea (please bring a plate of food to share) followed by around an hour of Advent related 'concert' items, including from Bethlehem's Sunday School.

A Sunday morning service will be held this day at Bethlehem, at the usual time.



Thanksgiving and Prayer (Ephesians 1:15–23)

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PRAY



Prayer Points



- .. Thanksgiving for Jesus Christ who is above all rule, authority, power and dominion... (Eph 1:21)
- .. Thanksgiving that through Jesus Christ God calls us his saints (Eph 1:18).
- .. Praise to God for all the saints that helped us on our journey (2 Tim 1:13) and for all martyrs of the Christian faith (Heb 11:36-37).
- .. For all those who grieve (Luke 6:21)
- .. For Christ's church - it's faithfulness, those who are persecuted, those who are not yet a part, and those who have wandered away (Luke 17:6; 6:27-28)
- .. For all nations in conflict, the poor and hungry, and for the generosity of all people (Psalm 2:1; Luke 6:20-21))
- .. For our church council meeting Wednesday 9 November 2016.

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 7th	2 Samuel 12:15-31
Tuesday 8th	2 Samuel 14:25-33
Wednesday 9th	2 Samuel 15:1-16
Thursday 10th	2 Samuel 18:1-18
Friday 11th	2 Samuel 18:19-33
Saturday 12th	Psalm 98

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 6th** 9:30am Bethlehem Worship
11am Ladies Fellowship Trading Table
7-10pm LYWA Grow
- Wednesday 9th** 7pm Church Council meeting
- Friday 11th** 6pm Confirmation Class
- Sunday 13th** 9:30am Bethlehem Worship followed by lunch
- Thursday 17th** 7-10pm LYWA Grow
- Friday 18th** 6pm Confirmation Class

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 6th Nov	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church
Sat 12th Nov	5-6:15pm Children’s Choir
Sun 13th Nov	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church
Sun 20th Nov	1-5pm Chinese Methodist Church

WORSHIP SERVICE – NEXT WEEK

26th Sunday after Pentecost— November 13th, (Green)

Readings: Isaiah 65:17-25, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, Luke 21:5-19

,Flowers: Elfie

Cleaners: Chrulew Family

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

Christmas Hampers

Christmas is rapidly approaching. Over the years now, Morley has provided Christmas Hampers for a number of families. It would be appreciated if you could make a 'Christmas type' donation for these food hampers.



All items are appreciated, in particular tinned fruit, shortbread, pretzels, crackers, mince pies, tea, coffee, juice and processed cheeses.



If you still need ideas, please contact Susan Kroeger



LONGEST

LUTHERAN LUNCH

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

You are invited to join us for a Longest Lutheran Lunch to celebrate the 50th Birthday of the LCA on 13th November after service.

We will be providing a sausage sizzle and cold meats platters.

To help with planning, please complete this form and place in the basket at the rear of the church.

Family name: _____

Number attending – Adults: _____ Children: _____

Will you be providing a Salad : _____

or a Sweet : _____

or Other : _____

We look forward to your company!

Please contact Susan – 0413 138 953 – susank@inet.net.au

If you have any queries

