

Bethlehem Morley

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 29 Robinson Rd, Morley

August 5th, 2018

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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.

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Worship:

Sundays at 9.30am

Sunday School at 9:45am:

On Today



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 our community.

Entry Psalm: Psalm 51:1-12

Leader: Be merciful to me, O God, because of your constant love.

Because of your great mercy wipe away my sins!

People: Wash away all my evil and make me clean from my sin!

I recognize my faults; I am always conscious of my sins.

I have sinned against you—only against you—and done what you consider evil. So you are right in judging me; you are justified in condemning me.

I have been evil from the time I was born; from the day of my birth I have been sinful.

Sincerity and truth are what you require; fill my mind with your wisdom.

Remove my sin, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness; and though you have crushed me and broken me, I will be happy once again.

Close your eyes to my sins and wipe out all my evil.

Create a pure heart in me, O God, and put a new and loyal spirit in me.

Do not banish me from your presence; do not take your holy spirit away from me.

Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation, and make me willing to obey you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray for the bread of life.

God, our source and our goal, you have made us to hunger and thirst for you. Satisfy our hunger with the bread that gives real life, your Son Jesus Christ. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Readings:

2 Samuel 11:26 - 12:13a

David's sin is condemned

Ephesians 4:1-11

Unity in the body of Christ

John 6:24-35

Jesus the bread of God gives life to the world



Prayer Points



- Thanksgiving for Jesus the bread of life and forgiveness for elevating earthly appetites above him. (John 6:35,27)
- Feed us with the knowledge of Christ so that we recognise our sin and gladly repent in his name. (2 Samuel 12:13a)
- Feeding with the gospel for those who hunger for righteousness and holiness, and blessing for Australian Lutheran College and all who lead people in God's good things (Eph 4:11-12)
- Peace for nations torn apart by war, lawlessness and civil unrest (Psalm 46:9b)
- Mercy for those whose lives have been broken by violence and crime (Psalm 130)
- Thanksgiving for the gift of sacred music and the way it connects us to God; and for our Bethlehem musicians (Psalm 92:1)
- For the LCWA district's 'Equipping for Effective Child and Family Ministry' day next Saturday at Bethlehem to be anointed with the teaching power of the Holy Spirit (John 16:8-11/Psalm 78:4)
- Feeding with healing and Christ's comfort all who are sick, grieving, anxious, lonely, imprisoned or in need of care (Psalm 51:12)

Please remember in your prayers

- ◆ **Ill or healing members and friends:** Tristram Van Rooyen, Elfriede Kaszanski, Anneliese Sitarz and Carmen Lawson.
- ◆ **Members and friends facing challenging circumstances:** Margaret and Ernst Klenner, the Zadow family.

Daily Bible Readings

Monday 6th	Acts 13:44-52
Tuesday 7th	Acts 14:1-18
Wednesday 8th	Acts 14:19-28
Thursday 9th	Acts 15:1-11
Friday 10th	Acts 15:12-21
Saturday 11th	Psalm 130



Wisdom loaf. The sermon text today, John 6:24-35, has Jesus explaining to his contemporaries (and us) that the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Jesus is more than just the manna that God gave the Israelites in the desert. He is, as one of our retired ALC Pastors Dr V Pfitzner has shown, God's full revelation and ultimate wisdom (see his Chi Rho commentary on John, pages 126-13). So believing in Jesus is like eating a wisdom loaf. Today we'll look at how this wisdom loaf is like no other bread loaf we'll ever eat.

Please note: **Confirmation formation** will recommence on 17 August 2018, not 10 August 2018 as previously advised.

Equipping for Effective Child and Family Ministry, Saturday 11 August at Bethlehem Morley. Preparations for this day of district wide equipping are in full swing. We look forward to hosting LCA Grow ministries as they demonstrate their extensive suite of resources and engage with us on our ministry challenges in these areas. Thanks to the many Bethlehem members who have registered. See you there! Please pray that this day may encourage and equip us to even better bring Christ's gospel of life to our Bethlehem children and their families.

Perth Christian Men's Convention: 25 August 2018. The theme/content this year is 'Men of Courage: True Grit from the Book of Jeremiah'. Details on the noticeboard.

Next night service: 19 August 2018 from 4:30pm with share tea afterwards if you can make it.

Sunday August 26 2018: I'm swapping pulpits with Pastor Peter Hage of St John's Lutheran Church Perth (also Assistant Bishop of the LCAWA District). Services are at their usual time in each location - just a different face leading and preaching from John 6 in order for each congregation to hear some different distinctives as we expound this text! This is part of a three way swap within the district whereby Bishop Mike from Parkwood will swap with Pastor Andre from St John's in the next couple of weeks as well.

BONFIRE & SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Saturday August 18th.

Keith & Kath Kowald's place
135A Gibbs Road, Nowergup



Bonfire lights at 5.00 pm. Sausages, bread / buns and soft drinks provided.
Bring a folding chair.

Keith & Kath **WELCOME ALL** members and friends of the congregation to
join them, their family & friends for a time of fellowship at "The Farm



**We are running low on Milo for the
Hampton High breakfast. Your donations of
milo would be much appreciated.
Thank you**

**The Church Council has set the
date for this year's AGM as
Sunday 9th September**



All reports to John via email please,
john@theodorsen.com.au **no later**

than 19th August – otherwise they cannot be included in the
printed Book of Reports.

Thank you

Equipping for Effective Child and Family Ministry: - Saturday 11 August
 Bethlehem Morley is hosting this event, and as such, providing morning and afternoon tea. Donation of baked goods would be appreciated.
 For more information contact Susan Kroeger



Ladies Fellowship—August 10th—Going ‘out’
Meet at church for a 10am departure. See Roslyn for more details.



From the Treasurer	
OFFERINGS	
July	\$8,969
Proposed Budget	\$9,245
Shortfall	-\$276

Last Night service of winter trial: 19 August at 4:30pm.

Lord's Supper and LCA Grow Ministries Generations in Faith
 Together activity.

Note the new earlier time! Bring dinner to share in fellowship tea afterwards (as able).

Morning Lord's Supper service 9:30am as usual that day too.

Jesus the Bread of Life

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."
John 6:51 (NIV)



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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 FEW WEEKS

Sunday 5th	9:30am Bethlehem Worship + Sunday School 8:45am 30min talk on Spirituality of <i>Sung Communion Service</i>
Friday 10th	10:00 Ladies Fellowship—’Going out day’
Saturday 11th	8:30-4pm Child & Family Ministry Seminar
Sunday 12th	9:30am Bethlehem Worship

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

Bookings: email us at bookings@morley.wa.lca.org.au

WORSHIP SERVICE COMING UP

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost — August 12th, 2018 (Green)

Readings: 2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33, Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2, John 6:35,41-51

Flowers: Anna

Cleaners: Usjak Family

Communion Usher: Mel Bishop

All Items for the “Bethlehem Bulletin”, please email to Lorraine (bulletin@morley.wa.lca.org.au) by Wednesday afternoon.