



Sunday Bulletin

Grace Lutheran Church

OUR MISSION: To know Christ and to make Him known

4TH FEBRUARY 2018 - 5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

WELCOME!

A warm welcome to all of you as we worship together today. May God bless and strengthen you in every way.

VISITORS!

A special welcome to you. We hope that you feel at home with us. Please join in a cuppa and fellowship after the service.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God,
You sent Your only Son as the Word of life
for our eyes to see and our ears to hear.
Help us to believe with joy
what the Scriptures proclaim.
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.

Apology for missing last week's birthdays:

- Tuesday 30th Elma Claridge
- Wednesday 31st Robert Claridge
- Thursday Sue Coghlan



DATE CLAIMER

Fri	9	Feb	6:30pm	Men's Shed at Ross Pukallus' place/Ladies Night
Tue	13	Feb	6:30pm	M&V Meeting
Wed	14	Feb	8:00am	Care Team Meeting
			10:00am	Care Morning Tea (GL Church Hall)
			7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Worship (GL Church)
Wed	21	Feb	5:00pm	Ministry Team Meeting (Church Hall)
Tue	27	Feb	9:30am	Kindy Chapel
Wed	28	Feb	9:30am	Ladies Fellowship
Fri	2	Mar	9:15am	World Day of Prayer (St Peter the Fisherman Anglican Church)
Sun	4	Mar	8:30am	Together with Year 3

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Our Lord says that He gathers the outcasts, heals the broken-hearted, lifts up the down-trodden, and prepares rain for the earth and makes grass grow on the hills. As those who hope is in God's steadfast love, let us pray for the world, the church, and all in need.

In our prayers:

- * nations and leaders of nations that God's Word may be heard; people pursue peace and justice; and all respect God's will for marriage, family, and the protection of all human life;
- * peace in places of conflict including those where there have been at least 10,000 direct violent deaths in past calendar year (War in Afghanistan; Iraqi Civil War; Mexican Drug War; Syrian Civil War);
- * refuge for all in need including the 12 million people from Syria, Afghanistan, the Lake Chad Basin, South Sudan, and Somalia;
- * all affected by any disaster, and for wisdom and blessing on all who seek to help people in need;
- * God's guiding and blessing on those who work in the medical profession;
- * those whose illness isolates them, that there be resources to help, and strength in spirit;
- * the church on earth that we seek to readily serve those in need of physical healing;
- * God's guiding and blessings on various agencies operated by Church Groups including Welfare and Aid agencies (including Australian Lutheran World Service); disability support groups; hospitals, schools, aged care services; etc.;
- * missionaries in other countries that they know God's grace, strength and protection;
- * God's guiding on our Lutheran Church of Australia, including those in positions of leadership, and blessing on Pastor David Schmidt installed today (4th Feb) as 'Mission and Ministry Director' for LCAQD;
- * local Christian Congregations (including Margate Baptist Church and Mueller Community Church) and ministries (including Redcliffe Church Leaders' Network; School Chaplains and other chaplaincy ministries);
- * our Community of Grace: for God's wisdom and blessing in the various Grace Places of Grace Lutheran Congregation, Grace Lutheran Creche and Kindy, Grace Lutheran Primary School, Grace Outside School Hours Care; Grace Lutheran College, and leaders Karina Flanagan, Trudy Moala, Joanne Jackson, David Radke;
- * God's guiding on Pastor Rodney Witmitz as he consider the call to be Pastor at Grace Lutheran College;
- * God's blessing and strength on all who serve in various ministry groups (including mainly music as it recommences);
- * God's blessing on various worship services in coming weeks including: Ash Wednesday (14th Feb), Celebration of the Baptismal Life (18th Feb);
- * all preparing for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation or Marriage, especially those who will receive their First Communion in the coming weeks: Samantha Coghlan; Eva, Ruby and Torin Flowers; Joshua Kleidon, Harper Lutter; Elizabeth Wingrove;
- * the sick, the housebound, those recovering from surgery or illness;
- * God's comfort for all who mourn the death of loved ones;

THANKYOU to all involved in anyway for the Advent dinner and the 2017 Christmas services (visuals, music, script writing etc.).

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE Grace Lutheran Church, 7pm on 14th February. Please keep our preparations for this important part of our church year in your prayers.

CELEBRATING THE BAPTISMAL JOURNEY On 18th Feb we will be celebrating the Baptismal Journey during worship. Those who have been baptised at Grace Lutheran Church in recent years will be invited to join us so we can encourage them in their Christian walk. We would like to gift them with a book of favourite graces and prayers of the congregation. More information to come. If you have a special grace or prayer you would like to share, please contact Fleur Lutter 0415873172.

MAINLY MUSIC EASTER BOOKS The mainly music team are hoping to have some children's story books that tell the Easter story available to lend to mainly music families during Lent and the Easter period. If you have any available that you are willing to donate for their 'Easter Library', please give them to a member of the mainly music team to take to the next session. There is a chance that you may not get the books returned to you, so please don't donate any that you aren't willing to surrender permanently, just in case they don't come back.

10 AM BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER WITH PASTOR MARK Held first and third Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall. Maine Road Clontarf Bring a plate to share, but not compulsory!! Tea, coffee. water provided in turn. We usually come early and start 9-9.30 am with a poison of your choice, sharing the news and fellowship in Christian spirit. 10am prayer and Bible study. Finishes 11 am.

BAYSIDE COMMUNITY CARE is in need of someone who would be willing to do the shopping, once every eight weeks. Also, BCC needs an extra hand or two to issue food for two hours on a Friday, either 10am to 12 or from 12 to 2pm, whatever is suitable to you. Prayer is very important, but ultimately only love in action will change our world for the better. Thank you for your precious support of BCC throughout the years and once again during 2018. The ministry of BCC has been a reality for the past 24 years due to the community of Grace members love in action. God bless you during the coming year.

DISTRICT SYNOD 2018 dates are 1-3 June in Bundaberg. If you would like to attend as a delegate please let Paul Vitale know either by phone (3 204 0757) or email, paul_vitale@glc.qld.edu.au

2018 LCAQD LENTEN MISSION APPEAL supporting Mary and Martha's Refuge. This appeal commences on Ash Wednesday 14th February and concludes on Holy Saturday 31st March. If you like to make a donation please take a flyer from the sideboard in the foyer. Payments to this ministry can also be made by credit card, EFT/direct debit or online at Queensland District website.

ELEVATION TRAINING Children, Youth and Family Ministry Training on Saturday 17th March. Elevation will teach you something new and inspire you to keep serving. A great elective program has been pulled together. For more information visit www.elevation.org.au or take a flyer from the sideboard in the foyer.

LYQ SUPER EARLY BIRD PRICE FOR KIDS CAMP 2019 As a special offer to this year's campers we've listed our 2019 Kids Camp at a special SUPER Early bird price for bookings in January. Book today and start a payment plan (by selecting EFT and paying a non-refundable \$50 deposit). You can then choose to pay a weekly, fortnightly or monthly payment that fits in with your budget. Campsite Bookings: 54461135 ;General Enquiries: 35114080; Email: office@lyq.org.au

IF you do **NOT** wish to receive a paper copy of the bulletin in your pigeonhole in the narthex at Maine Road, please ask for a small sticker to put on the pigeonhole beside your name to indicate that your pigeon hole should be skipped during bulletin distribution.

CARE TEAM Know someone who needs a little extra tender loving care? The Grace Lutheran Care Team would like to help members when they have a special need. So, if you or someone you know needs some care, just let the Care Team Coordinator, Kay Jaunais, know about it. Ph. 3283 6475, mob: 0409 031 084, email: danesmom@bigpond.com.

HALL USE AND HALL HIRE Please direct all Hall use requests to the Church Office to ensure availability. You may also check the calendar in the Narthex on Maine Rd. If Hall is booked, please allow reasonable transition time between activities. Thank you.

BLUE CARDS Blue Card Application forms are available in the church foyer. If your card is due to expire, allow yourself sufficient time for renewal. Please bring the filled form into the church office along with the required ID. Forms are also available on our website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AFTER WORSHIP If you require a special announcement to be made after worship services, please write out this announcement, and direct this to the person making the announcement on the day (Chairperson, or Admin Chairperson, or their delegate). All announcements after worship shall be made by this one person, and shall relate to activities within the congregation or our Community of Grace. You are encouraged to keep up to date with events and activities via the Bulletin or Website.

NAME TAG If you wish to have a name tag, please fill in an application form and put it in the office assistant pigeon hole. Forms are available in the narthex or just visit the church office. The cost is around \$15.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BULLETIN NEED TO BE IN BY WEDNESDAY 12PM.

God is always able and available to help us.

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The General Church Council of the Lutheran Church of Australia has approved specific standards of ethical behaviour for the Lutheran Church in both Australia and New Zealand.

These standards are applicable to all aspects of the life of the church. For further information please see the Brochure in the Church Foyer: "LCA Standards of Ethical Behaviour". You may also find out more at www.lca.org.au/lca-standards-of-ethical-behaviour.html and by viewing the following video www.vimeo.com/203404541/72dd00349e The church is a safe place responding to sexual abuse complaints.

Copies of the LCA Safe Place are available in the office or visit www.lca.org.au/safe-place--child-safe-2.html to report a complaint, free call 1800 644 628 number, or email: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au or mail LCA Safe Place PO Box 519 Marden SA 5070.