

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Sutherland NSW

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Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Please join us for a morning tea after our worship service.

If you are new to the church and would like to find out more information about worship and other activities, please speak to Pastor Luke.

Holy Communion at our church is for all:

- Baptised believers
- who know their need for forgiveness
- who believe Jesus himself is present with his body and blood in this meal with the bread and wine.

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10th Sunday of Pentecost 5th Aug 2012

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We pray that you are blessed as you worship God in this place. A special welcome to any visitors that are with us today.

Our worship services include Holy Communion. We use a continuous style of communion. Come receive the body and blood and return to your seat. The congregation is given the post-communion blessing after we have all communed. You are invited to join us for a cuppa and fellowship time after the service.

If you would like to find out more about Jesus, if you are searching for something in life, feeling lonely or maybe confused and not to sure about the future holds - feel free to send our Pastor an email on <u>pastor@gslcs.com</u> or drop past our office for a friendly chat. More information can be found on our website: <u>www.gslcs.com</u>

Monthly Activities

1st Sun:	Ministry Team Meeting	
2nd/4th Sun:	Children's Ministry	
3rd Sun:	Ladies Fellowship	
4th Wed:	Young At Heart (10:30am)	
Last Thursday:	Playgroup (10am-12)	

Sexual abuse is totally unacceptable to the church and to society as a whole. The LCA Safe Place Committee has established a confidential service for responding to complaints of sexual abuse/harassment by church employees and leaders. Trained advisors are available to help.

Announcements

- 1. Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We pray that your time of worship today has been a blessing as you've met the Lord God in Word, prayer, praise, bread and wine. You are invited to join us for a cuppa after the service. Thank you to all those who have contributed to making this time of worship possible today. Have a great week and God bless you richly!
- 2. LifeKeys Study Session. Next week you are invited to join us after worship from 10:30 11:30pm approx as we join together to study and discover our 'life gifts'.
- 3. Ministry Team Meeting. Please note that the ministry team will meet today briefly.
- 4. **Rosters**. We are still looking for people to fill the roster. Please put your name down on the kitchen door roster if you can help out.
- 5. **Pastoral Visits.** Pastor Luke and members of our pastoral care team continue to regularly visit the sick and shut-ins, however, if you would like a general visit to talk, receive prayer and to be blessed, please email or talk to Pastor Luke or Ann Robertson to arrange a visit.
- 6. **Prayers**. Pastor Luke regularly schedules time to pray for the community and our individual needs. If you would like a special prayer request added to this list then please contact Pastor Luke or a member of our Pastoral Care Team.

Prayer Points

- For Ian Siagian (and Family) as he continues his work in Indonesia.
- For conflict around the world especially in Syria and Sudan.
- For broken families and homes.
- Members and friends of our community: Mauri Korpi, Piroska & Steve Turcsanyi, John Grantins, Edna Kuehne, David Harris, Sam & Anneli Skippari, Helene Schaefer (Karen Brooks' Mother), Shirley Tullock, Eesa Witt, Rita Zalcmanis, Jina Bye. We also pray for those traveling at this time: Eleanor Tullock, Jill & Michelle Goodhew.

This Coming Week

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Sun 5th:	Worship with H/C	
	Ministry Team Meeting	
Mon 6th:	Pastor's Day Off	
Tue 7th:	Sermon Prep Day	
Fri 10th:	Pastor's Visiting Day	
Sun 12th:	Worship with H/C	
	Children's Ministry	
	LifeKeys Study	
	10:30-11:30am	

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LCA NSW District Happenings

UPCOMING EVENT: TPM Sisterhood 2012

The Sisterhood retreat is a weekend for women of all ages to gather together and be refreshed in their walk with God and encouraged in their daily lives. Come & enjoy worship, sessions from our guest speaker, and a few special surprises! Held in the Warrambui Village Conference Centre, registrations can be received via the printed forms available from your pastor, or from the website <u>www.tpmsisterhood.com</u>. Registrations close 17th August.

NEW HEIGHTS CAMP

New Heights is a weekend of adventure, activities, fun and excitement as we explore our relationship with God and what that means for us. Of course, it's also an opportunity to kick-back and relax together.

Next New Heights Details: When: 28-30 September 2012 Where: Talbingo Age Group: 17-21 year olds

Application Procedure: Forms for this event are not yet available. When available you will be able to pick one up from your local NSW Lutheran Church. Alternatively you can phone Warrambui on (02) 6220 1000 or email <u>tpmevents@nsw.lca.org.au</u> and ask for a form to be sent to you.

Leaders: We would love to have you at this event as a leader! Please phone (02) 6220 1000 or email <u>tpmevents@nsw.lca.org.au</u> if you'd like to find out more. More Information: Contact Warrambui on (02) 6220 1000 or email <u>tpmevents@nsw.lca.org.au</u>.

Back2Base CAMP

Back 2 Base is a fun-filled youth camp held during the October school holidays. t's a great opportunity for you to grow in your relationship with God as you meet new friends or catch up with old ones! Can't wait to see you there!

Next Back2Base Details:

When: 2-5 October 2012 Where: Warrambui Retreat and Conference Centre in the Dome Age Group: For those in Years 5-11 at school

Application Procedure: Forms for this event are not yet available. When available you will be able to pick one up from your local NSW Lutheran Church. Alternatively you can phone Warrambui on (02) 6220 1000 or email tpmevents@nsw.lca.org.au and ask for a form to be sent to you.

Leaders: We would love to have you at this event as a leader! Leaders training will be held on Monday 1 October 2012. Please phone (02) 6220 1000 or email tpmevents@nsw.lca.org.au if you'd like to find out more. More Information: Contact Warrambui on (02) 6220 1000 or email tpmevents@nsw.lca.org.au.

ROSTERS					
TODAY 5th August 12		<u>Next Week 12th August 12</u>			
Ushering:	SIAGIAN	Ushering:	-		
Cleaning:	SIAGIAN	Cleaning:	-		
Morning Tea:	SIAGIAN	Morning Tea:	ROBERTSON		
Flowers:	SIAGIAN	Flowers:	ROBERTSON		
Readings:	DAVID HARRIS	Readings:	ROBERTSON		
Communion:	ROBERTSON	Communion:	POLJAK		
Prayers:	ROBERTSON	Prayers:	PASTOR LUKE		
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Q: Christian Husbands - how's your spiritual life? What does your relationship with your wife look like?

'Many Christian men today are struggling spiritually and praying futilely precisely because of the way they are treating their wives. The wife is a honourable vessel. She contains the Holy Spirit. Husbands are to understand their wives and show honour to them. If they do not, if they violate their vocation by



refusing to treat their wives as Christ does the church, their own spiritual lives will be weakened'. (2012, Gene Veith, pg 59 - Family Vocation: God's Calling in Marriage, Parenting, and Childhood).

Luther asks: 'How can a husband pray, "Father, forgive us our trespasses as we forgive," if he remains caught up in constantly finding fault or assigning blame regarding his wife?"

1 Peter 3:7 - "Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honour to the woman as the weaker vessel*, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered".

*'weaker vessel' in the sense that she needs to be handled with gentle care. This weakness does not refer to intellectual, spiritual, or emotional weakness, but only to physical weakness. (if you don't believe me check out domestic violence rates). Such "weakness" does not make a woman any less important in God's eyes. Husbands should recognize and understand this physiological difference and adjust to wives in a positive manner. The second reason for an approach of consideration and respect is spiritual. In no way are wives inferior to their husbands spiritually. Each is an equal recipient of God's grace in salvation and should be treated in that light.

Walls, D., & Anders, M. (1999). Vol. 11: I & II Peter, I, II & III John, Jude. Holman New Testament Commentary (51). Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman Publishers.