

Cell Groups at Penshurst Anglican Church

Our church calls itself a 'cell church', built upon the Biblical idea that the primary way that God's people can truly live out the Gospel is through small, intentional communities (called 'cells'). It is here where Jesus is given a far more intimate opportunity to do His work of transformation.

Group name/leader	Day/time/frequency
Trinity Forum	Meets monthly, last Monday of the month
Dorcas Fellowship	Meets 2nd & 4th Thurs at 9:45am
Gaye Bishop	Meets fortnightly on Tues evenings
Cliff Seeto	Meets fortnightly on Weds evenings
Megan & Jeff Powys	Meets weekly on Thurs evenings
Bart & Kim VandenHengel	Meets weekly on Thurs evenings
PAC Youth Group	Meets Friday eve, 7:45-9:45 pm
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Meets weekly on Tues. evenings, 7:30pm

Sunday School:

Our Sunday School program runs during the 10:30am services, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Karen Fu (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Years 1-3 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in basement of hall)
- Years 4-6 Coordinator: Naomi Zrno (in library)
- Years 7-8 Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



Penshurst Anglican Church

2 Carrington St, Penshurst, NSW 2222

Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations)
Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregation)

Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion
(10:30am) Celebration service in English and Mandarin
(7pm) 'The Quiet Place'

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The Voice

Penshurst Anglican Church

We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us through the visitor forms found in the pew holders.



Sunday, September 1, 2013

Preaching program

Today, 1 September Combined Service	Solomon (Ted Potter– locum)	1 Kings 3:3-15 Matthew 7:24-27
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Sermon Series: "The Uncomfortable Sayings of Jesus"		
8 Sept	"Make every effort to enter through the narrow door..."	Ezekiel 41:13-26 Luke 13:22-30
15 Sept	"Invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind..."	Isaiah 25:4-8 Luke 14:1-14

In this Sermon Series, we are exploring passages from the latter chapters of Luke's Gospel in which Jesus tackles difficult subjects that we would do well to understand today. Jesus was certainly a controversial figure!

The 'Mid-Autumn Festival' is coming!

Falling on the 15th day of the 8th month according to Chinese lunar calendar, the Mid-Autumn Festival is the second grandest festival after the Spring Festival in China. It takes its name from the fact that it is always celebrated in the middle of the autumn season. The day is also known as the Moon Festival, as at that time of the year the moon is at its roundest. On this day, family members gather to appreciate the bright full moon, eat moon cakes at night, express strong yearnings toward their homes and think of family members who live far away.

We will be celebrating this special day on Saturday, September 21st.



Missions Month

will begin on October 6th.

Each Sunday, we will have one of our link missionaries come and give us an update on their work.

Our Market Day will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Aug 18– Sept 29	New Sermon Series– "The Uncomfortable Sayings of Jesus"
Aug 30 to Sept 1	Church Camp at Galston Gorge
Sun., Sept 1	Combined Service (Ted Potter– locum)
Mon., Sept 2	Parish Council (7:30pm)
Sat., Sept 7	Men's Breakfast (7am)
Sat., Sept 7	Federal Elections
September 21	Mid-Autumn Festival
October 6- 27	Missions Month
October 26	Mega Mission Market

Pray for Syria

As the UN sends weapons inspectors into Syria to investigate an alleged chemical attack on the outskirts of Damascus last week, Christians in the city are crying out to God for protection.

Hanna is a Christian living in Damascus with her husband and two young daughters. "The conflict is coming closer," she says. "Bombs are falling in our streets now; the sound of shooting becomes louder. Last week, we had three days of intense attacks in our neighbourhood; it was awful. When I go out on the streets, I see images I would never imagine to see for myself. Pictures you might only see in war movies."

"We are staying at my mother's house now in a different area of Damascus, because it's a bit safer than our own house. Our daughters stay inside all day watching movies, and reading a bit. When we go out, they pray for us to return safely. Praise God we weren't in our neighbourhood when the worst attacks were happening."

"But not everyone survived. One woman from our church was killed. She was still so young! Her body was totally destroyed; her family could only recognize her by her hand. She became a believer two years ago, so she is with God now, but she leaves behind two little girls and a husband. Of course, we try to take care of the family all together in our church, but it's hard."

"The pressure of the Islamic extremists is also increasing. They want the Christians out. They say that Christians are evil, so they want to kill us. I have to be honest; I'm afraid of them. I know that only prayer protects us." "Praying. Only praying. Praying and fasting and encouraging other people to pray; it's the only thing we can do."

Please join in prayer with our brothers and sisters in Syria.

10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Keys	Guitar	Drums	Vocals	Bible	Count
Sep- 1, Camp	Geoff, Tam	Ruevern	Phillip	Michael	Kat, Gaye, Sarah, James	Kat	
Sep-08	Kim, Margaret	Brian	Bart, Aisen	Sam	Nancy L, Selina, Suzy, Mina	Bing	Cliff
Sep-15	Geoff, Tam	Joy	Bart, Bing	Aisen	Amelia, Millie, Sarah, Cici	Kim	Geoff