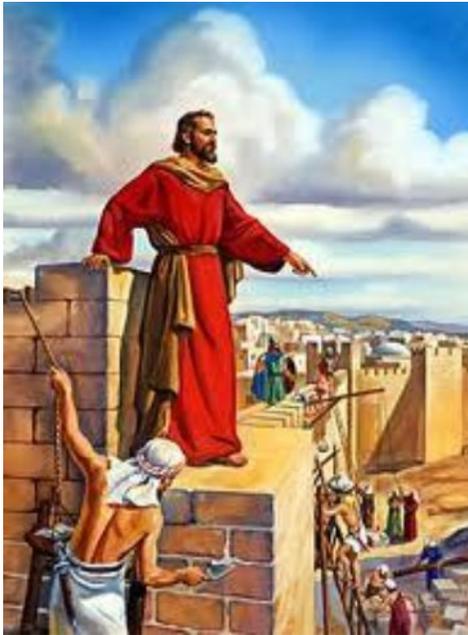


# The Voice

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.*



## Lessons for Today's Church from Ezra and Nehemiah

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### Lesson Nine: "A Spectacular Failure!"



Sunday, 30 August, 2015

# Preaching program

## Current Sermon Series:

### **“The Church in Today’s World– Lessons from Ezra and Nehemiah”**

The purpose of this series is to reflect on the dangers, challenges and struggles faced by God’s people back in the 5th century BC and apply it to our life as God’s people in today’s world.

Aug 30	<i>Lesson Ten: A Spectacular Failure</i>	Nehemiah 13 John 6:60-71
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## Next Sermon Series:

### **“The Reality of Ruth”** (Preacher: David Watkins)

Sept 6	<i>The Reality of Pain</i>	Ruth 1:1-7, 14-16, 19-22; Hebrews 11:29-39
Sept 13	<i>The Reality of God</i>	Ruth 2:1-13, 3:1-13; Hebrews 2:5-18

**Ride for Refugees:** You can still support *the House of Welcome*. (see Bart)

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Our annual **Missions Month** is fast approaching!

Please begin to set aside things that you would like to donate to us to sell.

## 10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer Leaders	Bible Reader	Counters
Aug-30	Tina, Steve	Team 1- <b>Joy</b> , Bing, Sam, James, Lucy, Millie, Michelle H.		Margaret	Marilyn
Sep-06	Peter, Marilyn,	Team 2- Stephen, Bing, Aisen, <b>Jennifer</b> , George, Tina, Selina	Holy Communion	Naomi	Marilyn,
Sep-13	Andrew C., Naomi	Team 3- <b>Rueves &amp; Kat</b> , Gordon, Josh, Sarah, James, Karen, Amy		Tam	Steve

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sat., Aug 29	<b>Bushwalk</b>
Sat, Aug 29	<b><i>Ride for Refugees - starting 9am at Horsley Park</i></b>
Sept 1-21	<b><i>Bart &amp; Kim away in USA</i></b>
October	<b><i>Missions Month</i></b>
Nov. 20-22	<b><i>Church Camp at 'Telford Lodge' in the royal National Park</i></b>

## Pray for Kian Holik

### **Dear friends in Christ,**

Thank you for your unceasing prayer for our ministry on campus. Praise God for what has been happening in the last month. We first praise God for a great commissioning service last month in my home church, and praise God that more than 160 people came to the service. I thank God that I could see my supporters are praying for me.

### **FOCUS at Macquarie Uni**

We thank God for a great start of the second semester:

- Praise God, for many people came to our Friday night events and Life (Bible study) groups. We have experienced a growth spurt in number but please do pray that we can maintain it throughout the semester.
- This semester we commenced language based groups to cater to international students learning the Bible (in Mandarin, Cantonese and Indonesian). Please pray for my colleague, Phil, who just recently had a motorbike accident. Please pray for a speedy recovery so he can serve God and teach the Bible to students.

### **Post Graduate International Group**

Praise God for bringing his people to himself through the postgraduate international students group. In the last few weeks, we have had attendance between 10-12 people. When we started the group in February, it was only 4 people. Praise God for growth in number.

- Praise God that I may meet more of the mainland Chinese post graduate students. Please pray that students may learn more from God's word and come to faith and repentance in Jesus while they're studying.
- Please pray for this lady from China who's studying intelligence and counter-terrorism and has been coming to my group. She's very interested in knowing more about Jesus and the Bible. Please pray that she can come to faith one day.

### **Health Matters**

Last month I took a sleep test to find out if there is a correlation between my high blood pressure and my sleep pattern. Please pray that the result will help me manage my blood pressure healthily.

# 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.

<b>English-Speaking Cell Groups/</b>	<b>Day/time/frequency</b>
Bart VandenHengel	Tuesday / 7:30pm/weekly
Gaye Bishop	Tuesday / 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Cliff Seeto	Weds / 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday / 7:30pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Thursday / 7:30pm/ weekly
PAC Youth Group	Friday / 7:30-9:30 pm/ weekly
'The Quiet Place' prayer meeting	Sunday / 7pm/weekly

If you are interested in joining one of these cells, you can either talk directly to one of the group leaders or to Bart for more guidance on which cell will fit you best. You may even want to start your own!

### **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)
- Ages 6-7      Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in basement of hall)
- Ages 8-10      Coordinator: Bart VandenHengel (in library)
- Years 11-12+      Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



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Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregation)

**Sunday Services:** (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion  
(10:30am) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin

**Contact details:**

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**Aisen:** 9585-2943 or 0433-315-745

**Website:** [www.penshurstanglican.org](http://www.penshurstanglican.org)

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