

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.

English-Speaking Cell Groups/	Day/time/frequency
Bart & Kim VandenHengel	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/weekly
Gaye Bishop	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Marilyn Mayhew	Tuesday / 7:30pm/ weekly
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Wednesday/ 8:00pm/ 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: Selina Kwok (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)



Penshurst Anglican Church

2 Carrington St, Penshurst, NSW 2222

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

Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion
(10:30am) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin
(6pm) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin

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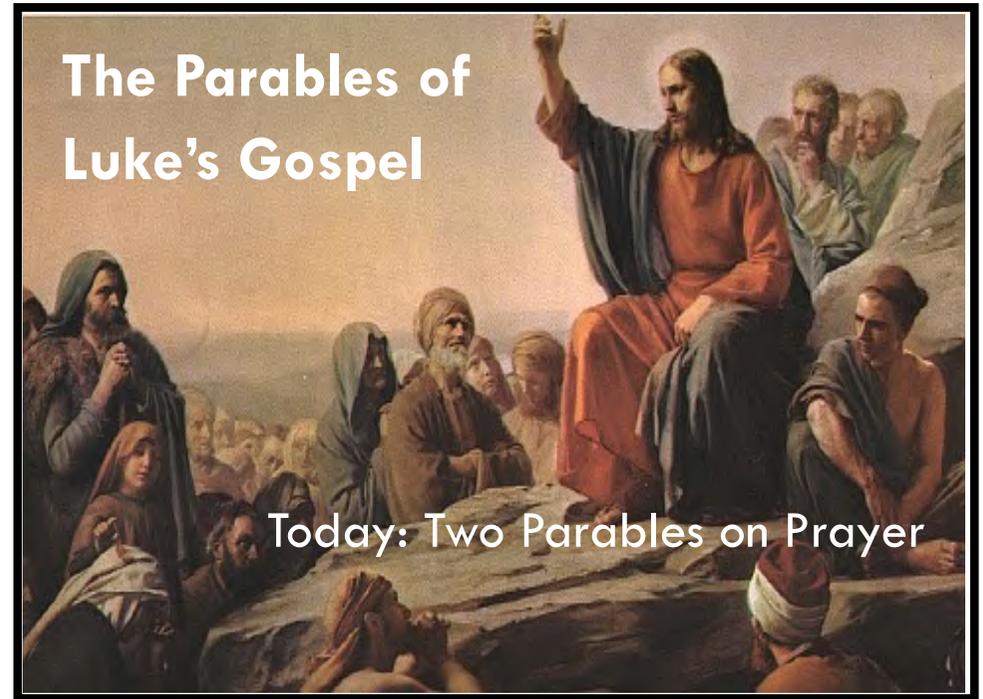
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We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us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

The Parables of Luke's Gospel

Today: Two Parables on Prayer



Sunday, 4 September, 2016

The Parables of Luke's Gospel (preacher: Ted Potter)

Sept 4	Two Parables on Prayer	Luke 11:1-13 Luke 18:1-8
Sept 11	The Rich Man and Lazarus	Amos 6:1, 3-7 Luke 16:19-31
Sept 18	The Rich Fool	1 Timothy 6:6-10 Luke 12:13-21

Bart has been invited to attend a **leadership conference** in the USA through the month of September, sponsored by the *Anglican Church in North America* (ACNA). Following the conference, Bart will fly to Las Vegas, Nevada and join Kim to celebrate the wedding of his nephew on October 8th. Thanks to **Ted Potter** for preaching while he's away.

Interested in studying the Bible in more depth? Would you like to study in a group?

Join us as we study *Genesis -Deuteronomy* through the Moore College PTC course.

Dates: Sept 11, 25; Oct 9, 23; Nov 6, 13 **Time:** 3-5pm **Venue:** Oatley West Anglican

Info: Stuart Maze (stuart@churchatthepeak.org.au)

Our annual **Mission Month fund raising** will take place on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Instead of our annual 'Market Day', we will have two separate fund-raising events: **First**, we will **"Walk to Water"** (from our church to the Como marina, across the Georges' River Railway Bridge). Then, in the evening, we will hold a special **"Concert for Iraq"**. **Both events intend to raise funds for the Persecuted Church in Africa and Iraq.**

Spring is in the air! Thanks to Merilyn Mayhew and her team of gardeners for making the church grounds so beautiful!

Hurstville Museum & Gallery (14 McMahon St.) is now showing a display about our church! Go and have a look, take your friends.. and pray that God will use it to let people in the area know who we are.

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
Sep-04	Millie, Naomi	Team 3- Rueves & Kat , Gordon, Josh, Sarah, Zoey, Karen, Amy	Holy Communion	Chris Wu	Doris, Merilyn
Sep-11	Merilyn, Margaret	Team 4- Brian, Gordon, Andrew, Michael, Hua, Catherine, Nancy Lee , Amelia		Merilyn	Merilyn, Geoff
Sep-18	Tina, Steve	Team 5- Shirley, Byron, Aisen, Li Sun, Robyn, Louise	Holy Communion	Andrew	Geoff, Doris

Sept. 3 to Oct. 14	Bart in USA. Ted Potter and David Watkins will be locums.
Sept 11- Nov 13	PTC course—Genesis to Deuteronomy (All Saints, Oatley West)
Sun., October 2	Daylight Savings begins! Please move your clocks ahead one hour.
Oct 16 to Nov 13	Missions Month
Sat., November 5	"Walk to Water" and Fund-raising Concert for Open Doors
Nov. 18-20	Church camp at Telford Lodge in the Royal National Park

Pray for the Uyghurs of China

China remains one of the most complicated countries on the World Watch List as it is multi-faceted and incredibly diverse. While a considerable portion of the country's persecution is suffered by small groups of Christian converts among the Tibetans and the Muslim Uighurs, Christians among the main Han majority face continuing restrictions as well. While the campaign of breaking down crosses in the province Zhejiang seems to have come to an end, church meetings continue to be disrupted and stopped. Authorities see the meetings as threats when foreigners, media or large groups of people are involved, one example being in the province Guangdong. The curbing of reporting and social media after explosions in Tianjin in August 2015 also serve to limit Christian freedoms. The government's goal of maintaining power and social harmony includes the control of all religions, including the quickly growing Christian minority.

Gulnur is a Muslim-background believer (MBB) in western China, where Christians from her Uyghur ethnic group experience the worst persecution in the country. Since her husband Alimjan's imprisonment for his faith in 2009, Gulnur and her two sons are only allowed to visit him once a month. She shares about hardship and hope in his absent.

"We have joy, real joy. The joy in this difficult situation is real joy. It must be joy from the Lord! Otherwise, how could we endure the hardship? I have regular gatherings with brothers and sisters. I am able to share my thoughts and feelings with them. I need their support and prayers. Without their prayers we could not endure! My elder son misses my husband so much! Very often he remembers the precious moments with his father when he was a child. The more he thinks of how his father loves him, the more he misses him. He now understands that his father is suffering for his faith. He is proud of his dad! He does not feel ashamed of his father's imprisonment. My younger son was only 1 year old when my husband was put in jail. He can hardly remember anything about his father. He has been growing up without a father figure. My passion is to evangelize our Uyghur people! It's really hard to convert them to Christ. Praise the Lord- Both my mother and mother-in-law converted several years ago. They have witnessed how this faith upholds us in our difficult time. They have found Jesus to be the true God. Above all, we still put our faith in Jesus and strive to live a godly life under the hardship. My husband always asks me to live well, take good care of our sons and teach them to love God. This is the way we witness Him. I ask my sons to behave, to study hard and to always tidy up our home as if my husband was coming back today. I understand my husband will come back to us in time. I wait for his return as if I wait for the second coming of Jesus. We are the Bride of Christ!"