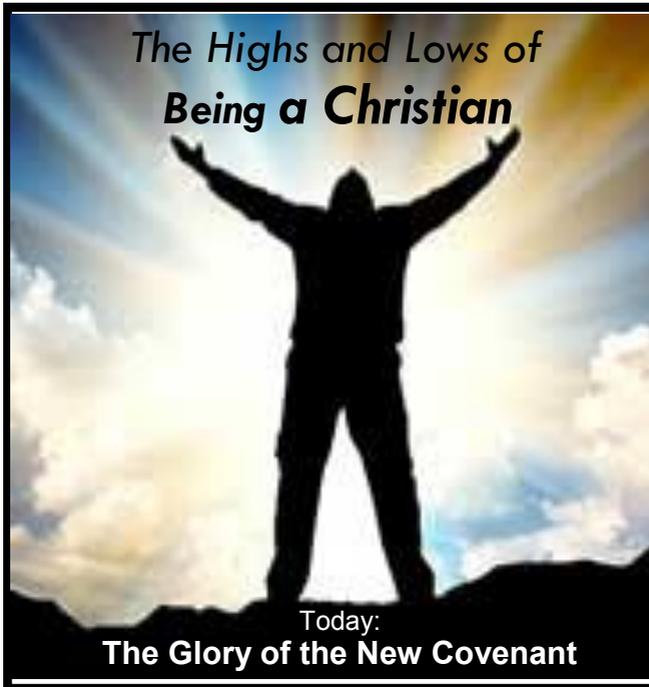


## Penshurst Anglican Church

*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, 17 September, 2017**



## **Sermon Series: "The Highs and Lows of Being a Christian"**

Today, we begin a new series of sermons based in  
**Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.**

Unlike his first letter, this letter offers many insights into Paul's personal life. Paul wrote 2 Corinthians at a very vulnerable time in his life, when personal suffering had almost become unbearable. As such, this letter resonates with anyone who is facing personal struggles. Maybe you are such a person?

Sept 17	<b><i>The Glory of the New Covenant</i></b>	2 Corinthians 3:7-18 Mark 14:22-26
Sept 24	<b><i>Blindness and Decay</i></b>	2 Corinthians 4:1-18
Oct 1	<b><i>A New Creation in Christ</i></b>	2 Corinthians 5:11-21

### **Missions Month is Coming!**

Starting October 8, we will be focusing our attention on  
the African nation of **Nigeria.**

Nigeria is often referred to as the "Giant of Africa", owing to its large population and economy. With approximately 188 million inhabitants, it is the most populous country in Africa and the seventh most populous country in the world. Nigeria also has one of the largest populations of youth in the world. The country is inhabited by over 500 ethnic groups with over 500 different languages and is divided roughly in half between Christians (living mostly in the south) and Muslims (living mostly in the north).

### **Visit to MacArthur Indigenous Church.**

One Sunday in October, we are planning to send a delegation from our church to visit  
Michael Duckett's church in Campbelltown.

Please let **Naomi Zrno** know if you are interested in joining this team.



Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
Sep-17	Marina, Ronny	Team 2- Joy, Bing, Michael, Ruevern, Joseph, Millie, Tina, Lucy, Vivienne	Holy Com- munion	Kim	Merilyn, Geoff
Sep-24	Andrew C, Naomi	Team 1- Brian, Gordon, Andrew, Aisen, Bart, Nancy Lee, Michelle H., Wei Wei, Catherine	Merilyn		Geoff, Doris
Oct-01	Andrew U., Sylvio	Team 3- Shirley, Byron, Aisen, Bart, Allan Gaye, Suganya, Li Sun, Lucy Z.	Holy Com- munion		Doris, Cliff

Sept 17	<b>Aisen on holidays</b>
Sept 18 to Oct 4	<b>Bart away on holidays</b>
Oct 8 to Nov 5	<b>Missions Month</b> —focus on Nigeria
Sat., Nov 4	<b>'Stand up for Nigeria'</b> (evening of prayer and worship—7pm)
Sun., Nov 5	<b>'Walk to Water'</b> (10:30am)

## Pray for the students of China

In China, students are immersed in classes and textbooks promoting loyalty to the Communist Party as the bedrock value. A new Communist Party directive now demands that students must be more patriotic and be totally devoted to the Party. Education in China is totally atheistic.

*Pray for all children from Christian homes, so they will not lose their faith in any stage of their education.*

Students in China have been indoctrinated that the Communist Party is the sole engine of progress in modern Chinese history, rescuing China from humiliating subjugation to foreigners and restoring China to a position of respect and power on the global stage. Many students start living in school during junior high years and only return home a couple of weekends monthly.

*Pray for the parent-child relationship for believers.*

*May the Lord impress on believers the importance of praying for the spiritual health of their children, and not merely their academic studies.*

Since 1989, when students led the protest that occupied Tiananmen Square in Beijing, Party leaders have made a priority of inoculating them against any liberal values. Evangelism among college students is always in the gray area of laws and many students are pressured not to attend services or to inform the officials about them.

*Pray for the safety of those who lead and the students who attend the services.*

*May the Lord give them great faith and help them to be fruitful in their ministry.*

By the end of 2014, almost 1.7 million Chinese students were studying abroad, many of them in Australia, Britain, Canada and the United States. Over 300,000 Chinese students are in the United States alone.

*Give thanks for the many who have come to know Jesus as they study abroad.*

*Pray that the Lord will strengthen their faith, help them to continue to grow, and even find a Christian mate. Above all, pray that they will also share their faith with their friends and families back home.*

(taken from PrayforChina)

# 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
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Wednesday/ 8:00pm/ weekly
PAC Youth Group	Sunday/12:30-2 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 service, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age and year at school:

- Ages 3-5                      Coordinators: Tina Ung (in basement of hall)
- Years 1-3                     Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Years 4-6                     Coordinator: Andrew Ung (Upper hall classroom2)
- Years 7+                      Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



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**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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