



# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Sutherland NSW

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## Ascension Sunday

20th May 2012

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We pray that you are blessed as you worship God in this place. Please join us for a cuppa after the service. **Today we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus.** 40 days after his resurrection Jesus ascended into heaven in the presence of his disciples. It would seem that Jesus was abandoning his earth and the disciples whom he had called and loved. Yet he hadn't. It was better for Jesus to return so that the Counsellor, the Holy Spirit could come and bring the presence and life of Jesus to live in the hearts of all God's chosen people. We now carry on his mission that he began.

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.

## This Week at a glance

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.



**Today 20th**

Congregational Meeting (after cuppa)

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

**Mon 21st**

Pastor's Day Off

**Fri 25th**

Pastor's Visiting Day

**Sun 27th**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Children's Ministry

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# 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. **Congregational Meeting.** We'll be holding a brief congregational meeting today (after a short cuppa) to discuss a Ministry opportunity for Pastor Luke and amendments to the Constitution.
3. **Ladies Fellowship** will also meet next Sunday after worship for a meeting and study.
4. Today we're making available 'tongues of fire' that we would like people to write prayers requests, thanksgivings, mission opportunities, etc to be placed in the church for Pentecost Sunday (27th May 2012). More info to come.
5. **AGM.** The Church Council has decided that the best Sunday to meet for the AGM will be on the **22nd of July 2012** after a brief morning tea. All communing/voting members are highly encouraged to be present at this meeting as we discuss important matters. We also bring to your attention that this day coincides with the 'Sutherland to Surf' which means you will need to adjust your travel to the church in the morning accordingly.
6. **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.

**Need to contact Pastor Luke?** The preferred method of contact is via the office phone (02) 9521 4424 which is generally diverted to Pastor's mobile phone (0431215078) when he is out of office. Please leave a message if you can't get through and Pastor will contact you as soon as practically possible. **Pastor is available for contact during these days and hours:** (Tuesday 8:30am - 4pm; Wednesday 8:30am-4pm; Thursday 8:30am-4pm; Friday 8:30am - 4pm; Sunday 7:00am - 2pm)

## Monthly Activities

- 1st Sun:** Ministry Team Meeting  
**2nd/4th Sun:** Children's Ministry  
**3rd Sun:** Ladies Fellowship  
**1st Saturday:** Men's Breakfast (8am)  
**3rd Wed:** Young At Heart (10:30am)  
**Last Thursday:** Playgroup (10am-12)

## Prayer Points

- For those who exercise authority both in church and state.
- For those caught in sin, and for the freedom which forgiveness brings.
- For those who bear intolerable burdens of illness, grief, or anxiety.
- That we would take up Christ's call to love and serve and make the gospel known to all.
- Members and friends of our community: **Mauri Korpi, George Gaidos, John Grantins, Karl Haessler, David Harris, Powell Heuer, Sam & Anneli Skippari, Steve Turcsanyi, Shirley Tullock, Rita Zalcmans and any others in our community that needs God's touch of healing and protection.**

