Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Sutherland NSW
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Lutheran Church of Australia

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.

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.

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP
9th December 2012
2nd Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We pray that you are blessed as you worship God in this place. A special welcome to any visitors that are with us today.

If you would like to find out more about Jesus, if you are searching for something in life, feeling lonely or maybe confused and not to sure about the future holds - feel free to send our Pastor an email on pastor@gslcs.com or drop past our office for a friendly chat. More information can be found on our website: www.gslcs.com

Sexual abuse is totally unacceptable to the church and to society as a whole. The **LCA Safe Place** Committee has established a confidential service for responding to complaints of sexual abuse/harassment by church employees and leaders. Trained advisors are available to help. **PHONE FREECALL NUMBER 1800 644 628** or write to: The Supervisor, PO Box 519, Marden SA 5070 or email: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au

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. **Pastor is away today** and until the 11th Dec as he is heading to Adelaide to see his brother Timothy Spilsbury be Ordained as a Pastor of the Lutheran Church of Australia. His broth Tim has been assigned to the Whyalla Parish in South Australia due to begin in Feb 2013. All pastoral care concerns can be directed to Ann Robertson or Jill Goodhew (members of pastoral care team).
3. **New Roster for 2013.** Please note that a new roster has been prepared for 2013. We appreciate your help and ask that if you cannot help out on a rostered day that you organise to swap with someone else. This rostering system is the best and fairest way to keep the Lord's house clean and tidy so that we can worship the Lord and be a welcoming place to visitors and new members.
4. **Kids Christmas service** will held next week the 16th of Dec at the special time of 5.00pm. **Please note that there will be no 9.00am service that day** so that we can all celebrate Christ Jesus together. Followed by a shared supper.
5. **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.
6. **Prayers**. Pastor Luke regularly schedules time to pray for the community and our individual needs. If you would like a special prayer request added to this list then please contact Pastor Luke or a member of our Pastoral Care Team.
7. **Free Course for Women.** The Career Education & Employment for Women course at Loftus Tafe is a course for women who wish to refresh their skills to re-enter the workforce or do further study. Classes are 3 days per week in school hours for 18 weeks. Subjects include: Computing, Communication Workplace Writing, Resumes, Interview Skills and more. Childcare may be available on campus. At Gymea College in Block E The Kingsway, Gymea: 11 am Thursday 6th December 2012 or 11 am Wednesday 23rd January 2013. Phone 9710 5136.

We Remember In Prayer

- Those who will be ordained as Pastor's in the Lutheran Church of Australia.
- That we would once again celebrate the coming of King Jesus, as a babe, as he comes to us today, and as we prepare and wait for his return.
- Members and friends of our community: David Harris, Anneli & Sam Skippari, Helene Schaefer, Eesa Witt, Tania Kaiser, Rita Zalcmanis. For those who are traveling at this time: Pastor Luke & Gillian Brooks (US), Michelle, Mark, Macey and Maxton Ward (US, Texas).