

# **PAC Pulse**

The Newsletter of the Penshurst Anglican Church

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#### Faith in Action

# From Rev Phill's Desk

I am reading through Hebrews. Currently I'm reading chapter 11.

What struck me was how they displayed faith in action:

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. (v1)

Their faith is in the future God had promised.

They didn't think their faith would change their circumstances. They believed they could endure any circumstance because of the future God has promised.

The chapter then gives example after example of people who act against common sense. They defy logic. Why? Because they believe in an Almighty God who told them there is a better future in store. They followed God.

Abraham went to a different country, Moses left a life of comfort, Rahab provided shelter to fugitives. All of them sort to please God by the way they lived and the choices they made.



At the moment there are people at PAC who are undergoing difficulties. There are some who are feeling the stress of their work situation. Friends, now is the time to put faith into action. Our confidence is not in our current circumstances but in what is to come.

So let everyday be lived to please our God. Choose to follow His way, because you know that your future is secure. Be assured, that God knows and delights in your life or worship.

# News

#### Safe Ministry

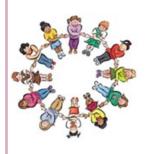
We want to provide a safe space at PAC for all people, but in particular children. That's why there is Safe Ministry Training. We want as many people as possible to complete the training as possible.

It is 5 hours of video training followed by a 1 hour webinar. You can do the training on your own or your can join the group the group training in July.



For more details, please speak with either Phill or Tiny.

# WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING @ PAC



#### **DAY CONFERENCE** 25 June (Saturday)

Let's spend some extended time together at the end of June. The day conference will focus on Christian Unity.

Dr Ed Loane will speak to us in the morning. In the afternoon we will think through how we can cultivate unity at PAC. The conference is 9am-3pm and will cost \$40 per adult.

There is a children's program that will run during the sessions.

#### RECONCILIATION WEEK (27TH MAY- 3RD JUNE)

Reconciliation week begins on Friday. The week remembers and acknowledges the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were forcibly removed from their families and communities, which we now know as 'The Stolen Generations'. It also looks at how we can geal and reconcile.

How can you participate in this?

Pray for reconciliation and healing to occur in our country.

Tell the truth on racism.

Get facts first hand (NITV, Koori Mail, IndigenousX, ABC Indigenous)

Fight for justice (write to David Coleman about Indigenous issues) Learn about indigenous history



### Prayer

#### **Michael Duckett**

- Give thanks for the opportunity to rejoice in God's goodness as well as honour those devasted by the Stolen Generation
- Give thanks for the opportunity to preach at SMBC recently
- Pray for the government as they engage in reconciliation
- Pray for Michael as he raises up men to engage in indigenous ministries
- Pray for God to work through MacArthur, Mount Druitt, Redfern and Nowra to see many come to Christ.
   Pray that they may grow in loving service of the Lord



- Give thanks for visitors who have come on Sundays.
- Give thanks for cell groups and how they contribute to community life.
- Give thanks for ministry leaders and their desire to make an impact for Christ.
- Pray for planning of the Day conference in June
- Pray for Tiny and her team and they plan to start a Playtime.
- Pray for Parish Council as they discuss plans for our future.

	Rosters									
	Greeters		Bible reader	Prayer	Counters					
9am Service	29 May	Selina Kuok	Christine Blaser	Peter Chappell	Selina Kuok Bing Ceballos					
	5 June	Cliff Seeto	Bing Ceballos John 5:1-30	Carolyn Moore	Cliff Seeto Merilyn Mayhew					
	12 June	Wendy <b>Zheng</b> Christine Blaser	Cliff Seeto Exodus 1	Jeff Powys	Wendy <b>Zheng</b> Christine Blaser					

#### 11am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters	Musicians	Godly Play
29 May	Rinni Simpson Colette Read	Gay Bishop John 4:27-54	Gordon Fu	Geoff Scrimes Kathie Johnsor		Tiny Tse & Merilyn Mayhew
5 June	Ronny & Marina Leung	Karen Fu John 5:1-30	Naomi Zrno	Ralph Chen Amy Zhu	Shirley, Phill, Leo, Eve & John Zhu	Gaye Bishop & <b>Selina Kuok</b>
12 June	Sophina Read Lucy Yeung	Andrew <b>Ung</b> Exodus 1	Marina Leung	Jing Bo Shi Ji <b>ng</b> Huang	Sophina, Phill, Lucy Yeung, Ray, Hua & Miranda	Carolyn Moore & Selina Kuok

## **Online Banking**

Please give your offertory by direct debit using the banking

details below:

Westpac Bank, Mortdale St Johns General Fund BSB: 032167 Account No: 870821

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. " 2 Corinthians 9:7 We use your offertory to pay for:

- The salaries of our paid ministry team;
- The costs of maintaining our Church and Hall buildings;
- The costs of our Youth Group and Children's Ministry

We give at least 10% of our income to our supported ministries and partners, here in Sydney and overseas. If you want further information please ask our Pastors and Church Wardens.

#### SMALL GROUPS

If you are interested in joining one of a small group please speak to Rev. Phill about which cell will fit you best.

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