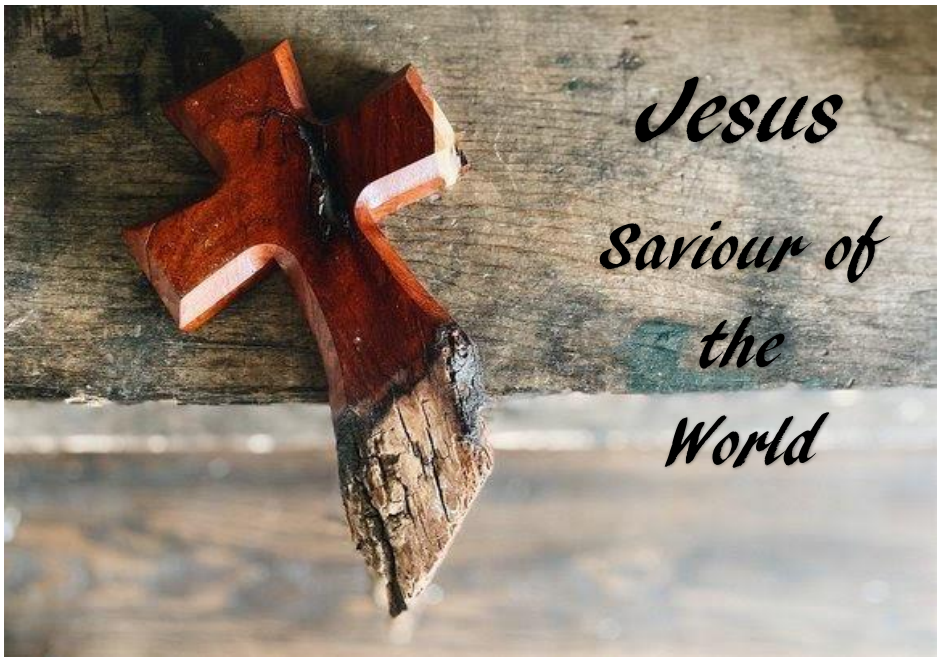


**WELCOME TO
PENSHURST
ANGLICAN
CHURCH**

March Edition



Preaching Program—Jesus Saviour of the world

7 Mar	“Following Jesus’ teaching”	Psalm 5 Luke 6:17-49
14 March	Jesus’ Authority	Psalm 6 Luke 7:1-17
21 March	Jesus’ Identity	Psalm 7 Luke 9:18-36
28 March	Jesus’ Mission	Psalm 8 Luke 9:51-62

Covid-Safe Sunday Services

Two church services are now being run on Sunday mornings:

- ◆ From **9:00am - 10:00am**, an English-only service of Holy Communion.
- ◆ From **11:00am - 12:00pm**, a bi-lingual service with Communion served once a month. For families, the children will enjoy Godly Play presented in a Covid-safe manner. We will start together with bi-lingual worship, prayer and news announcements . After the news announcements, the English congregation will go to the hall and the Chinese congregation will remain in the church. Phill and David will each share the Bible and their teaching.

Booking your seat: Due to the 2m2 rule for social distancing, our church can only accommodate a limited number of people for each service. We ask for people to **book in through our website for the service you choose**. Please arrive early.

Though not compulsory, some people choose to wear a face mask. If so please bring your own.

A **‘live-streaming’** of our two services is also available on **YouTube** - 9:00am English-only and 11:00am Chinese-only. Please see our website (www.penshurstanglican.org) for further instructions.

Register at the foyer

To maintain the Covid-Safe procedures, people entering and leaving the church buildings at any time are required to check in and check out using the QR code displayed on each glass door at the foyer entrance.

This will help us to keep a record on who was at the church and when. If there is an outbreak, the NSW health department is then able to contact those people who were at the church.



9:00am English Service Roster

Date	Welcome	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
7 March	Gaye Bishop Cliff Seeto	Carolyn Moore	Bing Ceballos	Cliff Seeto Kathie Johnson
14 March	Selina Kuok Steven Kuok	Carolyn Moore	Margaret Haywood	Li Sun Millie Ceballos
21 March	Cliff Seeto Kathie Johnson	Jeff Powys	Peter Chappell	Bing Ceballos Li Sun
28 March	William Lin Michael Lin	Merilyn Mayhew	Christine Weir	Cliff Seeto Kathie Johnson

11:00am Sunday Service Roster

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
7 Mar	Yen Yen Susan Zhang	Shirley Liang, Gordon Fu, Lucy Yang, Amy Zhu & Tiny Tse	Geoff Scrimmes (E) Jennifer Chan (M)	Collette Read (E) Jian Huang (M)	Susan Zhang Jinbo Shi
14 Mar	Suzy Zhou Frank Ge	Brian Chau, Pastor Phill, Joseph Lin, Leo Xu, Eve Zhang	Pastor Phill (E) Pastor Wong (M)	Geoff Scrimmes (E) Eve Zhang (M)	Jing Huang LucyYang
21 Mar	Eve Zhang Leo Xu	Shirley Liang, Gordon Fu, Lucy Yeung, Hua Feng, Amy Zhu, Jennifer Lee	Marina Leung (E) Susan Zhang (M)	Gordon Fu(E) Jennifer Chan (M)	Jinbo Shi Geoff Scrimmes
28 Mar	Geoff Scrimmes Lucy Yang	Brian Chau, Andrew Wang, Leo Xu, Eve Zhang, Gaye Bishop	Gordon Fu (E) Jennifer Chan (M)	Selina Kuok (E) Leo Xu (M)	Byron Chen Amy Zhu

** If you are unable to serve on your rostered day, please arrange a swap with others on the roster list and let Naomi Zrno know.

Message from the Senior Minister— Rev Phill Read

The year is under way and cell groups are back. Morning tea has started and people are connecting more and more. This is a great time to come back on Sundays to one of our services. They provide an opportunity to catch up and find out how people are going. You can also drop people a text or e-mail asking how they are and how you can pray for them.

At the end of this month we'll have our Annual General Meeting (AGM). Please pray that God will provide us with the people and resources to see ministry flourish in 2021.

Easter is early this year (2nd-4th April). We'll have a service on Good Friday (9am) and Easter Sunday (9am and 11am) which you can invite friends and family too.

Finally, I'm always happy to meet with you and enjoy tea or coffee. Please call me on 0401-539-736 if you would like to make a time to catch up.

Upcoming Events

Tuesdays in March	Anglican Pastoral Care Course (1:30am—3:00pm) (St Aiden's Hurstville Grove)
20 March	Everyday Peacemaking Training (8:30am-3:30pm) (Georges River Life Church)
27 March	Men Meeting the Challenge—(St Aiden's Hurstville Grover)
28 March	Annual General Meeting 1:30pm
2 April	Good Friday Service 9:00 am Bi-lingual Service
4 April	Easter Sunday Service 9:00am and 11:00am service

Gather Round

Morning Tea is back.

Morning Tea is being served again after the **9am** service with Tea, John Oakes' famous Coffee brew and a selection of Biscuits.

Feel free to come to Church early if coming for the 11am service and take the time to catch up with others from the 9am service.

We are introducing a **Tea Gathering** after the **11am** service. Again there will be Chinese Tea, Coffee and a small snack or biscuits. We are not ready to have lunch served to us by the Hospitality Team, hoping to get there soon. In the meantime, quell the hunger pangs with a cuppa and a biscuit.

It's great that we can meet together more socially. Introduce yourself to Rev Phill, Collette and Rev David so that they can put faces to names..



Everyday Peacemaking Training

Tired of being buffeted by conflict around you? Wondering what God is doing when peace is absent?

This first course will help you focus on what God is doing in your everyday relationships and help you be someone who makes peace rather than fakes it or breaks it!

This level of training is suitable for all Christians as we work together to promote peacemaking in our own lives, families, workplaces, churches and communities.

The training will be held at Georges River Life Church on Saturday 20th March 8:30am - 3:30pm. (23 Stanley St, Peakhurst). Prices are on the website

<https://peacewise.org.au/events/everyday-peacemaking-sydney-national-training-3/>

Prayer at PAC

For our church:

Please pray for our Church as it conducts its AGM. Pray that we will seek God's wisdom in the decisions that are made and that we will seek His will in the appointment of people as Wardens and Parish Councillors.

Plans are being made for our Easter services and celebration next month. Could you please keep Rev Phill, Rev David and Tiny in your prayers as they make preparation for Easter?

Our children are learning about Jesus' life, his death and resurrection, leading up to Easter. Please pray for our teachers and the doorkeepers as they conduct the classes each week. Pray that the Holy Spirit will indwell each child so that they learn to experience God for themselves.

Rev David is conducting discipleship studies within the Mandarin congregation. Pray that God blesses the studies and that His Spirit directs the conversations between the participants.

For our Community

Give thanks for the Covid 19 vaccine. Please pray for those who have been ill or have had financial difficulties due to Covid restrictions. It is very hard to survive on Centrelink benefits. Pray for the migrants in our community who have little work and receive no benefits. Particularly ask that God might provide more work and financial support to those in need. Pray that God will grant you a generous heart to support those around us that are less well off.

For Ourselves

This month Rev Phill is focusing on Jesus' life and ministry leading into Easter. Take some time to ponder the fact that Jesus lived for 30 years as a human being, doing ordinary things before He began his ministry. Jesus was fully human, he gets us, understands us and knows what we are capable of, good and bad. He took the time to cry for Lazarus, be angry at the money changers in the Temple and wash his disciples feet.

Reflect on how you see Jesus in your mind. What can you do this month to be more like Jesus at home and in our community? How do you reflect God's light shining in you to others? Is your light bright or has it dimmed a little? Spend time with God seeking His face and His direction this month.



PAC Annual General Meeting

Our Church **Annual General Meeting** will be held in the Church on **Sunday 28 March at 1:30pm**. It is important that all members of our Church participate. During the meeting we will be receiving reports from the Ministry Team: Rev Phill and Pastor Tiny, our Treasurer, Jeff Powys, the Wardens and the Building Committee. They will update us on what has happened in our Church over the last 8 months. Jeff Powys will present a budget for the next 12 months and the Building Committee will present their plans for the next stage of works.

After this we will need to elect 2 wardens and at least 3 Parish Councillors. We also need to appoint an auditor and some Nominators. The Wardens are responsible for the financial and property aspects of the Church. They look after the buildings and the church houses. Parish Councillors work with the Wardens to look after the Church. They assist in making decisions about spending money, fixing salaries, employing people to assist the Ministers, running events and other matters as they come up.

Our Wardens are currently Geoff Scrimes, Michael Lin and Hua (Nancy) Feng. The Parish Councillors are Merilyn Mayhew, Gaye Bishop and Suzy (Yan) Zhou. Michael is stepping down so we will need to elect at least two new wardens.

It is really important that we have representatives from both the English and the Mandarin congregations on Parish Council as either Wardens and Councillors. We encourage the young adults to consider standing. Michael has done a great job the last 3 years. This is the decision making body for our Church and it should reflect who we are as a church body. You do not need any special qualifications to participate.

Anyone wanting to stand for election as a Warden or Parish Councillor must be nominated in writing. Please give the completed Nomination forms to **Doris Chan**. You can email to churchadmin@penshurstanglican.org or MMS the form to 0408 926 092 by **25 March**. If you can't attend the AGM in person, you can appoint someone to be your Proxy and vote on your behalf.

The Nomination and Proxy forms will available at the back of the Church on the Table from 14 March or on our Website from 15 March. More detailed information about the AGM will be available on our website from 15 March. All of the reports will be available on the AGM webpage.

Please talk to one of the Wardens, Parish Councillors or Rev Phill if you want to discuss nominating in person.



Administration Assistant

Are you an Administration whiz?

Rev Phill is looking for someone to work 4 hours a week as a Church Administrator. The person will assist with office management, preparing The Voice, run sheets, preparing Diocesan reports and administration, planning Church events with the Ministry team and managing volunteers. The person will work with Rev Phill, Rev David and Pastor Tiny. They will have extensive experience working with spreadsheets and strong written communication skills. They will also have office experience, be flexible and strong organisational skills.

Please forward your Expression of Interest to Rev Phill by Friday 12 March.

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
Tuesday Night Cell	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/ weekly
Jeff & Megan Powys	Thursday/ 7:00pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Thursday/ 8:00pm/ weekly
PAC Youth Group	Friday/ 7:30pm - 9:30pm/ weekly
Young Father's Group	Friday/ 7:30pm/ monthly
Gaye Bishop / Joy Watkinson	2nd and 4th Saturday/ 1:30pm / monthly



If you are interested in joining one of these cells, you can talk directly to one of the group leaders or to Rev Phill for more guidance on which cell will fit you best.

“The Quiet Place” prayer meeting—Sunday 7pm weekly



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"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