



PAC Pulse

The Newsletter of the Penshurst Anglican Church

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From Rev Phill's Desk

TIME...

If God rules over time and has set a plan for time then we live in light of the future God has determined. We don't ask, "What do I want do with my life?". Instead, we ask, "What does God want to achieve through my life?"



Now this is still unclear but God has told us what matters to him. He wants us to live godly lives that aren't directed by desire (Romans 13:11-14). He tells us to stop grumbling and arguing (Philippians 2:14-15). He wants us to be focused so that we're not distracted or foggy headed (1 Thessalonians 5:5-10).

This sounds uninspiring and hardly heroic. God has done the heroic and inspiring by providing us with a fresh start in Jesus.

So let's develop a different dream. Instead of an award ceremony where your accomplishments are applauded by peers, let's focus on the final day of history where all is revealed. Let's remember that our names are written in the book of life. Let's long for the praise of Jesus who says, "Well done, good and faithful servant". Let's forget trophy trinkets and long for when we are glorified with Jesus.

WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING @ PAC

6 Mar 11am Gathering Bishop Lin to open the renovations

1 Mar Mother's Union Meeting 10am—12pm

First meeting for 2022 will be a communion service. See Naomi, Selina or Margaret Hayward for more information

27 Mar Church Annual General Meeting - 1:30pm



Next Sunday, 6 March at the 11am service, Bishop Lin is visiting us. This is the first time in quite a while that the Bishop has been able to visit.

He will be officially opening the renovations and will be preaching to us. Come along and enjoy the celebrations. It will be lovely to gather together again as a church family.



Jason and Maria

- ◇ Please pray for their preparations to go into an Asian country.
- ◇ Pray that bureaucratic and administrative requirements would be met quickly now that the international borders are opening.
- ◇ Pray that they may have rich fellowship with friends and family before they leave.

Gathering back at PAC

- ◇ Please pray that we would reach out to each other more frequently.
- ◇ Pray for a longing within our church members to gather in person.
- ◇ Please pray that God would end this pandemic and take away every hinderance to meeting together.



Give thanks that on Saturday 21 February, Michael Duckett from Macarthur Indigenous Church was ordained at St Andrew's Cathedral.

This is a fabulous achievement for Michael. He was quoted as saying "For our church, they will be appreciative that I will be as good as a white man. Not that we need to be like them but it just means that I will have the same recognition as any other Anglican church. We will have the same standing and will be recognised in the system."

Here he is pictured with Archbishop Kanishka Raffel and Bishop Lin.

Rosters

9am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters	Musicians
27 Feb	Cliff Seeto & William Lin	Jeff Powys Eph 2:1-10	Peter Chappell	Cliff Seeto & William Lin	
6 Mar	Selina Kuok & Cici Wu	William Guo John 14:15-31	Carolyn Moore	Selina Kuok & Cici Wu	
13 Mar	Cliff Seeto & Christine Blaser	Peter Chappell John 14:15-31	Jeff Powys	Cliff Seeto & Christine Blaser	

11am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters	Musicians	Godly Play
27 Feb	Ronny & Marina Leung	Joy Watkinson Eph 2:1-10	Gordon Fu	Geoff Scrimmes & Kathie Johnson	Joy, Phill, Andrew, Jennifer, Amy, Bel	Tiny Tse & Selina Kuok
6 March	Ronny & Marina Leung	Amy Zhu John 14:15-31	Naomi Zrno	Byron Chen & Belinda Wang	Joy, Phill, Joseph, Michael, Lucy & Amy	Gaye Bishop & Jing Huang
13 Mar	Sophina Read & Lucy Wang	Geoff Scrimmes John 14:15-31	Julia Zhu	Susan Zhang & Kathie Johnson	Sophina, Phill, Leo, Eve & Gaye	Carolyn Moore & Jing Huang

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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

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.



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.

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.

SMALL GROUPS

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/ fortnightly
Gaye Bishop / Joy Watkinson	2nd and 4th Saturday/ 1:30pm / bimonthly
Mothers' Group	Saturday/3:00 ; Sunday/1:00 (Monthly)

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