

PAC Pulse

The Newsletter of the Penshurst Anglican Church

6 February 2022

From Rev Phill's Desk

TIME...

We've just entered a new year and it has started...poorly.

The idea of a new year is a chance to reset our plans. We can decide what we will achieve this year. We are driven by time but the last two years have informed us that we don't manage time. Time is where we live. Things may appear orderly or random but what happens is not for us to determine. This thought can quickly lead to helplessness. Unless you understand how things work.

God is the one who controls time. He himself is outside of time (Revelation 1:8, 22:13, Psalm 45:6). Time is part of creation as God establishes the days and seasons (Genesis 1, Psalm 104:19).



God has determined the times. He is able to change times and seasons (Daniel 2:21). He has determined the times according to his plan (Romans 5:6, Galatians 4:4, 2 Peter 3:8-10).

So how does this help us now? It means we don't worry. In Matthew 6 Jesus speaks about the constant drive to direct and control our lives. It leads to us fretting about the things that don't matter. What we are meant to do is place our lives in God's hands and seek His plans. The rest will take care of itself

WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING @ PAC

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Communication Cost Containing	13 Feb	9am + 11am National Church Life Survey		
		There will be a combined 11am service after which we will complete the NCLS survey in church and on Zoom		
	26 Feb	9:30am Church Clean Up Day & Garden Tidy Up Church clean up party to prepare for the official opening		
	6 Mar	11am Gathering Bishop Lin to open the renovations		

Elizabeth MacDougall—GRC Penshurst Girls

- Pray that authorities will permit the return of Scripture at Penshurst Girls High School
- Pray that Elizabeth will form a good relationship with the new librarian
- ◊ Ask God to provide a replacement SRE teacher

David Lakos—St George Hospital

- Give thanks that David was able to have a break
- Pray that God will provide David with energy in meeting with various patients
- Pray that the hospital authorities will permit the volunteers to return soon

Compact Youth @ PAC

- Give thanks for the leadership team (Ray Li is joining this year). Pray for Ray as he makes this transition.
- Pray for new younger members to join



Rosters

9am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters	Musicians
6 Feb	Selina Kuok & Cliff Seeto	Bing Ceballos Ruth 4	Jeff Powys	Selina Kuok & Cliff Seeto	
13 Feb	Christine Blaser & Merilyn Mayhew	Peter Chappell Eph 4: 1-16	Gaye Bishop	Christine Blaser & Merilyn Mayhew	
20 Feb	Ken Sensus & Gaye Bishop	William Guo Jude	Carolyn Moore	Ken Sensus & Gaye Bishop	

11am Service

	Greeters	Bible reader	Prayer	Counters	Musicians	Godly Play
6 Feb	Ronny & Marina Leung	Karen Fu 2 Cor 5:16-21	Gaye Bishop	Belinda Wang & Amy Zhu	Shirley, Phill, Joseph, Michael, Lucy, Gaye	Merilyn Mayhew & Tiny Tse
13 Feb	Geoff Scrimes & Kathie Johnson	Andrew Xu Eph 4: 1-16	Naomi Zrno	Jinbo Shi & Bryon Chen	Sophina, Phill, Leo, Eve, Miranda	Carolyn Moore & Selina Kuok/ Jing Huang
20 Feb	John Haynes & Byron Chen	Colette Read Jude	Geoff Scrimes	Jing Huang & Susan Zhang	Joy, Phill, Lucy, Hua, Amy	Merilyn Mayhew & Tiny Tse

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.



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.

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 / fortnightly
Mothers' Group	Saturday/3:00; Sunday/1:00 (Monthly)

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