



Weekly Update

10th January 2021

Our Purpose: *Following Jesus and Making Disciples by
Connecting, Growing, Equipping and Sending*



Bible Readings:

Sunday 10th January – 1st Sunday after Epiphany, Baptism of our Lord

Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

Sunday 17th January – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51



This Week's Message: 'The Water that brings the Spirit and Life' (Acts 19:1-7)
We are baptised, so we live in our baptism.

Please Pray for:

Our Congregation

- ✝ **Congregation Members** – all members and friends of St John's during these uncertain times, those who are unwell, recovering, receiving ongoing treatment, grieving or experiencing a hard time.
- ✝ **Pastor Steen Olsen** – thanks to Pastor Steen Olsen for leading us in worship.
- ✝ **Pastor Eugene and Family** – as they consider a call to Pakenham, VIC.

Local and World

- ✝ **COVID-19** – for those who are unwell, feeling afraid or anxious.
- ✝ **USA Political Unrest** – for a peaceful transition to a new President.
- ✝ **Landslide in Norway** – those who have lost loved ones, property, livelihoods and been affected.
- ✝ **Earthquake in Croatia** – those who have lost loved ones, property, livelihoods and been affected.
- ✝ **Ethnic Massacre in Ethiopia** – peace to be restored and for those who have lost loved ones and been affected.
- ✝ **Places affected by fires** – support in rebuilding lives, of homes and businesses.
- ✝ **Local Missions** – for identification of needs for people in need.
- ✝ **Government Leaders** – to recognise that they are under God's authority and answerable to Him.



Weekly Update Prayers

If you have any prayer or praise points to include in the Weekly Update, please fill out the back of the Welcome Card or contact the Church Office.

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This Weeks Activities:

Date	Time	Activity	Location/Contact
Sunday 10/01/21	9am	Worship with HC	Church
Wednesday 13/01/21	10am	Bible Study	Church
	12Noon	Open Door	Hall (Charmaine - 0418 221 308)

Coming Up / To Note:



Congratulations

10th – 16th January 2021

Anniversary

10/01 – Damien and Victoria Nitschke

Birthday

11/01 – Berni Dahlenburg (40th)

12/01 – Ruth Olsen

Also to all others who have celebrations during this time. Every blessing!

Know Your Bible (KYB) Study

The first KYB study for 2021 will be on **Acts – Chapters 13-28**, to be held on **Monday** evenings, **7.30pm** in the **Church Office** commencing **1st February** until **29th March**. If you wish to attend please contact David – 0412 582 785 before **31st January** so that study books can be ordered.

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Worship Services

On Sunday 10th, 17th and 24th January our worship services (with Holy Communion) will be held at **9am**. On Sunday 31st January our services will revert back to 8.30 & 10am.



Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Held on the **2nd** and **4th Wednesday** of the month. The first bible study for 2021 will be held on **Wednesday 13th January, 10am** in the **Church**. All welcome. For more info, please contact Pastor Eugene.



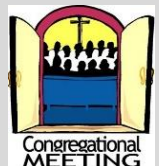
Blessing the Backpacks

If you a student or work in education, bring along your backpack, computer bag and or briefcase to worship on **Sunday 24th January** to be filled with God's blessings for you to carry with you throughout the coming year.



Special Congregational Meeting

A special congregational meeting will be held on **Sunday 24th January** after the 9am worship service to vote on our congregation's new constitution as unfortunately we did not have a quorum at the last meeting.



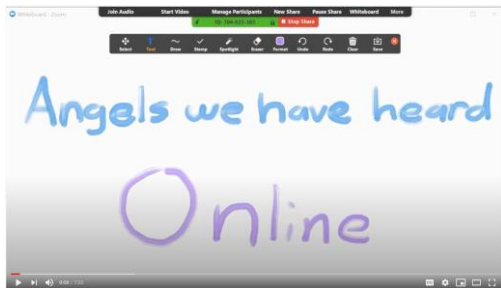
L.E.D Youth

The first LED Youth for 2021 will be held on **Friday 29th January, 7pm** in the **Hall**. For more information, please call Damien - 0424 110 107.



Christmas Eve Nativity Video

For our Christmas Eve service last year, we weren't able to do our usual children's nativity play, so we wondered what a Zoom Christmas might look like. To view the nativity video shown on Christmas Eve visit St John's Lutheran Church, Tea Tree Gully YouTube channel.



For Sale

50 x 100cm bales of pea straw for \$5 are for sale.



If interested, please contact David Kraft on 0412 582 785. All proceeds will go towards the church chairs.

Members and Friends Directory



Last week to mark any changes you wish to make to the Members and Friends Directory. Please check the directory in the Church Foyer or alternatively please contact the Church Office if you would like to be included or have any questions.

Donations

Thank you to everyone who donated goods and money throughout the year and at Christmas time where items will be used to help make life a little bit easier for someone in need throughout the year, either in our Tea Tree Gully community or via Lutheran Community Care.



Name Badges

Names badges are a good way to help visitors and others in our congregation know who we are. If you would like more information or to place an order, please contact the Church Office. Types available include: dual pin/clip or magnet.



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Pastor Eugene's Blog Post

Pastor Eugene's **Sunday messages are available online** with questions for personal or small group reflection. Feel free to leave a question/comment. Visit: ttglutheran.wordpress.com to read the



latest message and for more info, please contact Pastor Eugene or the Church Office.

Advent Conspiracy Challenge

The challenge was set to buy one less present this year and use the money to help us partner with ALWS to support a Cambodian village. We are pleased to advise \$5,612 was raised, our goal was \$5,000. Excess funds will be used by ALWS as they see appropriate. What a wonderful result! Should you need a tax receipt please contact Stephen Pfeiffer by Monday 11th January.



Rosters

If you have any questions or would like to take part,
please contact the Church Office.

Role	10/01/21 9am	17/01/21 9am Service
Pastoral Assistant	T Dahlenburg	D Kraft
PowerPoint	K Oberle	P Schulz
Prayer	N/A	K Sweeney
Reader	N/A	M Sweeney
Sound Desk	M Hartmann	S Pfeiffer
Stewards	S Fensom; B Nitschke	G Hayden; C Ormrod
Tea and Coffee	A Flynn	M Sweeney
Cleaners	V Nitschke; S Wilksch	B Noack; S Wheaton

Pigeon Holes

If you do not have a pigeon hole and would like one, please contact the Church Office.



YouTube

Each week on YouTube via our channel, to watch Pastor Eugene's message, search 'St John's Lutheran Church, Tea Tree Gully'. If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office.



St John's Library

Our library has many books and videos for borrowing. On Sunday or drop on by during business hours for a browse. You might be surprised on what you find!



Offering Envelopes

For use, the 2021 offering envelopes are now available in the Church foyer. Please contact the Church Office if you have any questions.



CRY OUT

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry; The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles. PSALM 34:15,17 NIV