



St Paul Lutheran Church, Blair Athol

Living Jesus' Love

Welcome!

We are blessed to worship together at St Paul today and hope you know of God's nourishment as you receive His good gifts.

St Paul Lutheran Church, as part of the Lutheran Church of Australia, is committed to providing a safe church environment for children and young people.

Prayer of the Day

O Father of lights, from whose word of truth we have been born as firstfruits of your creatures: make us quick to listen and slow to speak, that the word implanted in us may take root to nourish all our living, and that we may be blessed in our doing and fruitful in action. Amen.



'You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness.'
- James 1:19-20

Prayer Points

Please contact the church office to have your prayer point included below.

- God's blessings upon all fathers; that the Holy Spirit empowers them to model themselves after Jesus' own self-sacrificial love (Ephesians 5:25–33; 6:4).
- That we be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger (James 1:19-20).
- Thanks and praise that of God's own will, he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be his own (James 1:18).
- That we live by God's righteous law, so that others around us can see the righteousness of God (Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9).
- That we speak the truth in our hearts and avoid slander (Psalm 15:2).
- God's blessings upon orphans, widows, and widowers (James 1:27).

Prayer Points Continued....

- For congregational families: Meads, Mead, Mattner, Mackey (Acts 16:31)
- For the sick or unwell and their carers, including Robert Coombe, Graeme Elphick, Bob Hoile, Ron Koelman, Roma Linke, Pam Mibus, Gina Mielke, Bobby Ray Miller Milne, Roy Minge, Karina Musimbi, Nick Urbon, Dale Voigt, Robert Walden and Cheryl Zucker (Isaiah 41:10)

An Angry World

Pastor Matt's sermon this weekend focusses heavily on James 1:19-20: 'You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness.' He will refer to an outstanding paper addressing what Scripture does and does not say about human anger, and God's action for us in these matters. It is written in a down to earth way, helpful and well worth a read. Find it at ["The Myth of "Righteous Anger" What the Bible says about Human Anger" by Jeffrey Gibbs \(csl.edu\)](#) And feel free to drop by Pastor Matt or give him a call if the sermon raises any issues for you that you would like to discuss, pray through or be resourced around.

Playgroup @ St Paul

Playgroup @ St Paul is for children aged 0-5 and a parent/caregiver. Join us for a coffee, playtime, story and songs from 9-10.30 each Tuesday during school terms.

Cost is \$2 per family.

This week we will be looking at dogs. On Tuesday we celebrated Dads, Grandpas, and other Father Figures in time for Father's Day and made special handprint coasters for them. If you want to know about all the fun you can have at playgroup, speak to Kylie in the office.



SPY

Youth for school years 6-8, meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday during school terms. The next date for SPY is **Friday 6th September**. Please bring a plate of supper to share. For more information, please contact Dan Kitson.

Senior Youth

The next Senior Youth date is **Saturday 14th September** at 7pm. For more info and future dates, please contact Dan Kitson at yfministry@stpaul-church.org.au

All ladies of the St Paul community, please save the date! **Saturday 21st September**, Hearts and Hands are hosting a luncheon with Iranian food to be held at Peter and Eileen Shrowder's house. More details to come soon.

Pasty Bakes



A BIG HUGE thank you to all who have been part of this years' Pasty Bake. We have been blessed to undertake all 6 bakes and we hit the ground running at the end of May.

Thanks to all the amazing people who managed orders, prepared mixes, baked, ordered, ate and delivered.

A special thanks to the ongoing support of Two Wells bakery for pastry rounds. This years' fabulous teamwork by all resulted in raising an amazing amount totalling \$5296.45 and is yet to be earmarked for various projects.

Call Notice

Pastor Matt has been issued a call to lecture at Australian Lutheran College and undertake postgraduate studies commencing late January 2025. This is a 0.5 FTE appointment with the remainder of his time available for service in a parish or some other role 0.5 FTE. Please keep Pastor Matt, his family, our church family, ALC and LCANZ in your prayers that God's will is done.

'Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans' Prov. 16:3.

LCANZ Synod Information Session

On Sunday 15 September we will hold one combined service at 9:30am in order to facilitate a whole-of-congregation information session and discussion on Synod proposals straight after a brief morning tea/grabbing a cuppa.



Celebrations

- God's blessing to the following people as they celebrate their birthday this week: Hannah Ratsch, Ebony Kitson, Mark Oster, Thomas Hall and Zac Fisher.

Electronic Giving

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Rosters and What's On

This Week: 1st September	9.30am		Readings
Ushers	Voigt		Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 15 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Greeters	P&E Shrowder		
Projection	W Burls		
Readings/Prayers	D Clark		
Communion	Stafford		
Coffee	Ratsch Family		
Next Week: 8th September	8.30am	10am	Readings
Ushers	Brettig	Voigt/Urbon	Isaiah 35:4-7a Psalm 146 James 2:1-117 Mark 7:24-37
Greeters	Lane, Doubtfire	R&D Ehrke	
Projection	M Stewart	S Reid	
Readings/Prayers	Vicar Sean	K Koelman	
Communion	Burls	NA	
Coffee	J&M Williams	A Neumann	

Calendar

Sunday 1st September	Tuesday 3rd September	Thursday 5th September	Friday 6th September	Sunday 8th September
9.30 Service (HC)	9am Playgroup	7.30pm KYB	7pm SPY	8.30 Service (HC) 10am Service

Contact Us

Here at St Paul we welcome feedback, especially from children, young people and members of the Lutheran Church.

If you would like to share feedback or contact us for more information on our safe church activities, please visit the contact page on our website

<http://www.stpaul-church.org.au/contact.html>

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