



Dare To Be On A Different Journey

In our lives, there are many different types of journeys we can choose to take—we can go on a journey to visit family, go to work, go on holiday, go shopping, go to worship with the church—we can journey to different places and different countries. There are as many kinds of journeys as there are reasons for taking a journey, but most journeys have two things in common: they have a purpose and they have a destination—and with these two things in mind, I want you to think about your journey as a follower of Jesus. Some of my greatest journeys have involved taking a journey with God (Father, Jesus and Holy Spirit)—what about you? And the journey I take as a follower of Jesus has less to do with where I live or where I physically travel. In fact, my journey as a follower of Jesus has everything to do with who He is and who I am in Him—which means I'm called to be on a very different journey in my life—what about you? And this being on a different journey may even seem weird! I'm looking forward to explore this with you and with Holy Spirit in greater detail when we dwell in the word in Mark 9:38-50.



Pastor Wayne Kerber

Bible Reading: Mark 9:38-50 (NLT)

Podcasts of weekly messages are available at www.paravista.org.au

[Prayer Requests](#)

Please forward all prayer requests to the church office via churchenquiries@paravista.org.au or phone 8263 5087. If you know or have spoken to anyone who does not have access to a computer, please assist them to submit their request and offer to pray with them.

[The Board - Expressions of Interest](#)

The Board is seeking additional members. While we are looking for general members, in particular we are looking for people with Secretarial and HR skills. Please prayerfully consider this and submit your nominations by email to

churchenquiries@paravista.org.au, or direct to the office. Note, there is a selection process and not all submissions will be successful. Should you require any further information, please talk with a current Board Member or contact the church office.

[This Sunday Combined Service/Community Lunch](#)

This Sunday there will be one worship service with Holy Communion at 10.00am.

Following this, you are invited to a community lunch in the hall. Please bring your favourite finger food dish to share, and we'll enjoy a mix of everyone's contributions.

It's all about good food, great company, and plenty of conversation.





September

- 29th September Community Lunch after combined 10am service
- 29th September Lutheran Care Food Collection

October

- 1st October 1pm Ladies Fellowship, Guest Speakers Stephen and Liz Zanker
- 26th October 8am Men's Breakfast
- 26th October Young Adults
- 27th October Lutheran Care Food Collection
- 27th October 4-6.30pm KAPS
- 29th October Ladies Fellowship

November

- 1st November 7pm Friday Evening Service
- 9th November 9-5pm Global Leadership Summit

Property Team - Expressions of Interest

The Board is undertaking to reconvene a Property Team. The team is to be a small team to work with the Administration Team Leader and School in aspects of property management. We are seeking people who would be interested in helping in this area. Contact the Church office if you are interested or require further details.

Global Leadership Summit

This year we are hosting the Global Leadership Summit 2024 on **Saturday 9th November 9am-5pm** here at **Good Shepherd Para Vista Lutheran Church**.

Attending the Global Leadership Summit will provide you with an opportunity to gather with others in positions of leadership. Together you will listen to speakers who will inspire and encourage you to grow personally and professionally. You will also be given time to share the joys and struggles of ministry and share how you are leading in your church community.

GLS24 PROGRAM



THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

<p>SESSION 1 <small>100 mins</small></p> <p>CREATIVE OPENER</p> <p>CRAIG GROESCHEL <i>Permission to Obsess</i></p> <p>FACILITATION GROUP DISCUSSION</p> <p>GRANDER VISION <i>Pete Brookshaw</i></p> <p>AMY EDMONDSON <i>The Right Kind of Wrong</i></p>	<p>SESSION 2 <small>100 mins</small></p> <p>THOSE VOICES</p> <p>WILL GUIDARA <i>Unreasonable Hospitality</i></p> <p>FACILITATION GROUP DISCUSSION</p> <p>MICHAEL JR. <i>Funny How Conflict Works</i></p> <p>WORLD VISION STORY <i>Damaris</i></p>	<p>SESSION 3 <small>90 mins</small></p> <p>THE ARTISTS REAL WORK</p> <p>ERWIN M'MANUS <i>7 Frequencies of Communication</i></p> <p>FACILITATION GROUP DISCUSSION</p> <p>GRANDER VISION <i>Malawi President</i></p> <p>JONI EARECKSON TADA <i>The Paradox of Leading from your Weakness</i></p> <p>HEART MOMENT & PERSONAL REFLECTION</p>	<p>SESSION 4 <small>80 mins</small></p> <p>CREATIVE - THANKS</p> <p>KINDRA HALL <i>Harness the Power of Story</i></p> <p>GLNA - WLV & Next Gen THRIVE!</p> <p>ARTHUR C. BROOKS <i>Getting Happier in an Unhappy World</i></p>
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We are offering this as a free event for our church community leaders. If you would like to attend, please email us at pastoralcare@paravista.org.au or contact the church office on 8263 5087. We hope you can join us.

September Lutheran Care Food Collection

Combined with the school the August food collection was amazing - close to 100 bags of donations. As is often reported in the media the need continues to be great as many families and individuals struggle to be able to afford to feed themselves or their families. While you are "out and about" here is what they need for September.



Holiday Project Works

There are a number of projects planned for the upcoming school holiday period that will affect our school/church community when accessing the site (refer attached map).

1) Car Park Speed Bump

From Monday 30th September, there will be no drive-through access in the car park due to works to replace some paths and install a raised 'Wombat' crossing in front of the church office. This project is scheduled for completion early in the 2nd week of the school holidays (Week beginning Tuesday 8th October), depending on how the cement dries.

During this time, the car park will be split into two areas. The Montague Road entrance and the Hillary Crescent exit will both become two-way, entry and exit points during this period.

Pedestrian access from Montague Road to the school and church office areas will be maintained from the public footpath (past the fire booster box and clothing donation bin).

When exiting and entering the property - please be ultra mindful of the dual access required for vehicles.

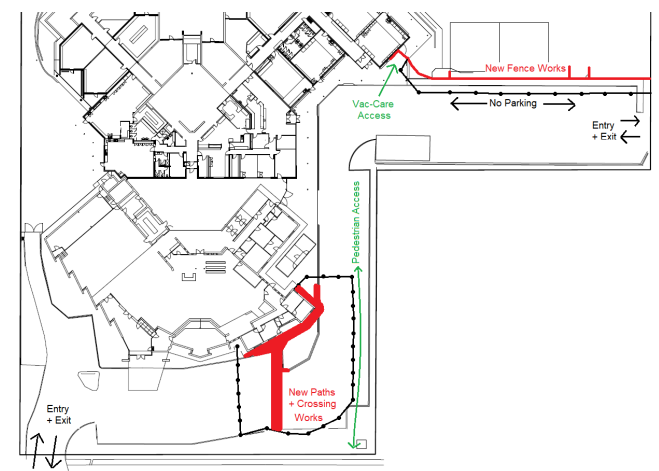
2) Fencing Upgrade

At the same time as the school crossing works, we have a new (replacement) fence being installed along the footpath by the Junior Primary playground. To accommodate the fencing works, the car park spaces on the northern side of this car park will be closed.

Pedestrian access to Vacation Care will be maintained via the gate under the school veranda. As the footpath to Hillary crescent will also be closed, the recommended pedestrian access between school and ELC will be via the Montague Road footpath.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience in this area as we continue to improve on the safety of our site.

Evie Stevens



[We're on Facebook and Instagram!](#)



Did you know that our church is on Facebook and Instagram? Check them out to receive reminders of our upcoming services, gatherings and events. A great way to keep informed and share opportunities at Good Shepherd with others! Why not 'like us on Facebook'?

[From The Board](#)

A Combined Ministry Team and Board meeting was held on 13th August. This meeting looked at looked at aspects, such as the different roles of each group, ways of improving communication, the Way Forward and options for our Congregation while we are in vacancy.

The Australian Institute of Company Directors - Not-for-profit governance principals are being worked through by the Board. There are eight principles in this document, and we worked through three of these in a Saturday morning workshop. The intent of this is to ensure that we are using good governance principles and to give confidence that all aspects are covered.

Our Board meeting on 20th August:

- Resolved to reform the Property Team. This was in the existing constitution, and we anticipate that we include it in the proposed document.
- Support further research that the Ministry Team is undertaking regarding the changing face of the LCA and shortage of Pastors and what this means for Good Shepherd.
- Our giving is in line with budget and our spending is down, mainly because we do not have a Pastor.
- The manse is being let for another 6 months (this is through a property management company) while we are waiting for a pastor.
- Working through the constitution continues. We are planning to have a draft for review later this year.

Our Board meeting on 10th September:

- We discussed and approved, with some minor changes, a role description for Community Development - Youth. This has been a joint development between the Ministry Team and Board.
- It has come to the notice of the Board that staff members are being approached during worship time. We ask that all respect this time of worship. We note that at times an emergency may necessitate this contact, however, please make an appropriate time to speak to staff. Thank you for your grace in this matter.

[Operation Christmas Child](#)

Over 140 boxes have been distributed. If you have a box and decided that you will not be able to participate this year could you please return it so it can be used by someone else. Over 20 completed boxes have been returned. Boxes can be returned on Sundays and left on the high table in the cafe area or to the church office during office hours.

Return date is by Sunday 29th September.





[Informal Friday Evening Service at Good Shepherd](#)

Our next gathering is coming up on **11th October at 7pm** in the church café. The theme is 'If trust is the answer, what is the question?'

The service is informal, visitor friendly and interactive. Come along... Invite your friends and neighbours... We'd love to see you!

[Ladies Fellowship](#)

The next meeting of Ladies Fellowship is on **1st October at 1pm**. The AGM will be run first, then the usual business.

We will be having **Stephen and Liz Zanker** share on the topic *Blessed to Serve*.

Hostesses are Beth and Milla

There will be a trading table.

Please note that subs \$10, Magazine \$20 are due to be paid to Margaret by 29th October.

Also, Christmas Lunch money \$25 due at this date too. Please advise any food allergies.

We would like another member for our Executive. Please prayerfully consider this.

Apologies to Di Schlenk 0409 820 448



[KAPS ReKap](#)

We were given a taste of SPIN camp activities last Sunday as we enjoyed putting our puzzle pieces together over the course of the afternoon. This was followed by a devotion style worship and a meal. Have a look at the KAPS board in the café that is regularly refreshed for a snapshot of what we get up to. Next month we are looking forward to an afternoon of water themed activities. Pop the date in your diary now and think about who you might like to invite! Sunday October 27th from 4pm.

Rachel and Georgie

[Caring Conversations](#)

Sometimes it can be hard to talk about God. You may wonder where to begin! You might think that it is easier just to leave it to the 'experts' and let them handle it. Here are conversation starters from Grow ministries to try out with your friends and family...

[Worship Opportunity](#)

We concluded our school term with Worship this morning. The message, presented by students, was about 'running a marathon' and recapped many of the encouraging bible readings that we heard throughout the term. Please read the devotion from this week or look at the board in the café area for a reflection of what was shared. Our next school worship opportunity will be on the first day back for Term Four (Monday 14th October at 9am). As always you are most welcome to attend. (Please note: This will take the place of Wednesday Worship for that week. Our regular Wednesday gatherings will recommence the following week on 23rd October.) We would love for you to join us!

KAPS YOUTH EVENT YEARS 2-7

SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER

4pm-5:30pm Water activities
5:30pm-6:30pm Worship & dinner - all family members are welcome (food provided but welcome to BYO)

\$2 per child donation

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Para Vista

For any queries, please contact Rachel P-0475582289

Parent/caregiver must be present

HOW HAVE YOU SEEN
OR SENSED GOD THIS WEEK?

HOW HAVE YOU FELT GOD'S COMFORT
IN THE TRICKY TIMES OF YOUR LIFE?



WHAT DO YOU WONDER
ABOUT THE
HOLY SPIRIT?

School Snippets

It's been another big term and we have a lot to be thankful for. Yesterday (Thursday) we had the pleasure of a visit from the Endeavour band (featuring a number of our past students). Their rousing renditions brought joy and inspiration to us all... We were guessing the tunes as they cleverly featured different instruments, then gradually brought them together as they played as a band (team). Another example of blessing others through



working together! Our Stage 4 Entrepreneurial Enterprise (EE) Market Days from a couple weeks ago were a huge success. Thanks to the generosity of our community, students raised \$5481. These proceeds are going to a range of charities including: Starlight Children's Foundation, Orange Sky Laundry, Compassion Australia, WIRES and Backpacks for SA.

Our students begin their school holidays next week. Please keep our them in your prayers through their time away from school routine. Term Four resumes on Monday 14th October. For more of what we've been up to, here is the link to our school newsletter : <https://inewsletter.co/J1WDLx/latest> or you may like to pick up a hard copy from the stand in the café area. If you are more of a visual person, please have a look at our school's Facebook page.



Guest Speaker...
Matt Dutschke

Mission Africa

Mens Breakfast

8am, SATURDAY, October 26

Bacon & Eggs with Blokes

Hosted by Para Vista Blokes - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Hall

*"Thanks guys!"
You've got my back*

Office News



Notices for Weekly News

Weekly News items are to be sent to churcnenquiries@paravista.org.au / krishna.vasani@paravista.org.au by Wednesday Evening. Out of hours please leave a message on the answering system 8263 5087 or email the office and staff will respond as soon as they are able.

Café Time!!

Tea and coffee are available after Sunday services, and you are most welcome to come and enjoy!!



“...Lord, through all the generations you have been our home!”

Psalm 90:1

Safe Church

In observing Christ's command to love one another, we are to treat each other with respect and dignity. In honouring people, we are also fulfilling our responsibility under the law of the land. The LCA and Good Shepherd Para Vista is committed to ensure the church is a safe place. If anyone feels they have been subjected to sexual abuse or harassment in any form by anyone who holds a position of trust in the church, please contact:

P: 1800 644 628 E: report.abuse@safepace.lca.org.au

Weekly News submissions should be made by the Wed prior to Friday publication.

Regular Electronic Giving (REG): BSB 704 942 Acc. 100 354 939

Church Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9am-3pm (closed 12:30pm-1:30pm for lunch).

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YOU'RE *Invited!*

The Gideons International invites you to our
BIBLES FOR THE WORLD DINNER

Over 96,000 Bibles distributed in just 1 week!

Enjoy a wonderful evening of fellowship and hospitality, and be encouraged as we welcome **Jeremy Malouf** from Sydney to share about a recent Scripture Blitz in Nicaragua.

Saturday, 26th October 2024

"The Loft," Gawler Arms Hotel
102 Murray St, Gawler
Access to 1st floor via elevator
6pm arrival for a 6:30pm start

Adults \$35pp
Kids (under 12)
\$16pp

RSVP by Friday 18th October

Contact: Mal McCann
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Please advise of dietary requirements

A freewill offering will be taken for the distribution of Scriptures overseas



We look forward to sharing this special evening with you...

