





25 October 2024

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What's your story?

We each have stories we tell about our lives - stories that are funny, stories of success, stories that give life, that we are happy to share.

We also have stories that we may not share - stories of heartbreak, failure, and brokenness.

How do these stories intersect with the stories in scripture? And what about God's story?

On Sunday we will discover the surprising truth of God's story, your story, and our story, as Pastor Chris brings the message to us.

Pastor Chris Mann

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-12 (NLT)

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



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.

Notice of Half Yearly General Meeting

Please mark your dairies for the upcoming half-yearly GM to be held on 17th November 2024. Reports to follow.









October

26th October Men's Breakfast 8am

26th October Young Adults

27th October Lutheran Care Food Collection

27th October KAPS 4-6.30pm

29th October Ladies Fellowship 1pm

November

1st - 10th November Glynde Art Exhibition 5.30-6.30pm

8th November Music Fundraiser for Kenyan School 7-10pm

9th November Global Leadership Summit 9-5pm

17th November Half-Yearly General Meeting

23rd November Young Adults

24th November KAPS

Music Fundraiser for Kenyan School

On 8th November, there will be Gospel concert held as a fundraiser for Bishop Michael Musale to support the Kenyan Children. We will be needing helpers for this Fundraiser, so can you please consider helping in one of the following ways:

- Ushering
- Carpark attendant
- Security
- Serving coffee or food
- Cleaning at the end of the event
- Praying with people if needed.

Please advise Merv Thiele of your availability by calling him on O429 009 847.

A Night of Fun and Fundraising!

Come along and experience the uplifting songs of the Well-Being Social Club (formerly known as the BordererS) It'll be a ONE OFF event that you'll remember for many reasons. Not only will you be entertained, but you'll also get to hear the enigmatic and amazing Bishop Michael Musale explain how he's helping transform this part of Africa with YOUR help.

We'd also like to just reassure you that all of the monies raised will be going to sponsor the schoolkids in Turbo, Kenya to receive meals and to attend school.

Tickets - Adults \$25... Children free!

Use the QR code to book or this follow this link provided:

https://www.trybooking.com/CWKTU

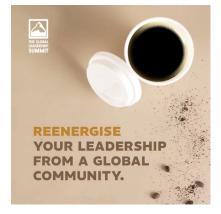
Look forward to seeing you soon! FREE snacks and nibbles provided during the interval.



Global Leadership Summit

The Global Leadership Summit 2024 is approaching 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.



Tickets are free for our community. Please let us know if you would like to attend or if you need any further information via pastoralcare@paravista.org.au

Art Exhibition at Glynde

Calling all artists! If you have some works of art already at home that you are interested in showcasing... here is a wonderful opportunity! Glynde Lutheran Church is hosting an art exhibition entitled 'All Nature Sings' from the 1st to the 10th of November. Those interested in sharing their pieces are encouraged to fill out the entry form which is available in the front foyer, or the church office, and send it in by 24th October to the Glynde Lutheran Church. Glynde is intending to have the pieces installed on Wednesday 30th October.

Rebekah Adlum, an artist from Glynde congregation, will be conducting an adult workshop (Abstract Still Life using watercolour and pen) on Saturday 2nd November from 10am to 11:30am) if anyone is interested in attending.

Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy the creative talents of local artists throughout the course of the exhibition.

For more information, please contact Helene schulzkhr@bigpond.com or Dot tdorothy193@gmail.com



You are cordially invited to our "All Nature Sings" Art Exhibition

Opening: 5:30 – 6:30 pm on Friday 1st November with art, music and light refreshments

Venue: 15-17 Glynburn Road, Glynde SA

RSVP 25 October 2024 to tdorothy193@gmail.com



KAPS...This Sunday!

We are looking forward to an afternoon of water themed activities followed by worship and a meal. Be brave and think about who you might like to invite... Family? Friends? Neighbours? The more the merrier! Due to the nature of the activities, we encourage people to wear suitable clothing e.g. rashie vest, shorts, t-shirts and bring dry clothes to change into afterwards. This Sunday from 4pm! See you soon!



Rachel and Georgie

Wednesday Worship Invitation

This week we were blessed to have Pastor Stephen Abraham continue our theme of 'Disciple Me... Following Jesus Faithfully'. He talked about Jesus' temptation in the wilderness and the weapons he (and we) can use when we are tempted. Please have a look at this week's devotion for a reflection of the message or have a look at the evolving display in the café area. Next week we are looking forward to hearing from some of our past students (Year 12s from Endeavour) as they return to share a message at Worship. We would love for you to join us next Wednesday at 8:50am for worship and a cuppa afterwards!

Caring Conversations

How did you go with your caring conversations last week? Did you discover something new about someone in your family or friendship group? As we prepare to consider our stories with Pastor Chris on Sunday, here are some more conversation starters... God bless your week!

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR GREATEST ADVENTURE SO FAR?

WHO IS SOMEONE YOU CONNECT WITH IN THE BIBLE?



School Snippets

We have had another great week at school. Families are using the new Wombat crossing to walk safely across the driveway. (Toddlers are needing to use their 'big steps' to step on the yellow markings .) Our Stage Two students are enjoying an excursion to the Adelaide Hills today where they will engage in a range of outdoor activities. When they return, Year Ones will get their 'groove on' at their disco. Year Two's will have a short break at home and then return for some more activities at school, followed by their Sleep Over in tents in the shelter of the school gym. This is all part of the progressive camping experience we have here at Good Shepherd where students learn to take (safe) risks and prepare for camping experiences away from school as they get older. Today is also 'World Teachers' Day. We are blessed with over 90 staff across our ELC, Primary school and OSHC who nurture, teach and provide for our precious young people. Please continue to keep them all in your prayers. 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.



Operation Christmas Child

What a wonderful response - 134 boxes were blessed on Sunday. These boxes were delivered this week to the collection centre. They will be transported to Perth then onto the Philippines.

As we heard during the blessing receiving an OCC box can have a very positive effect on those who receive a box (as well as their families).

Pray that our gifts will be a blessing to those children who receive one of our boxes and that many take up the opportunity to participate in the 10-week discipleship programme- The Greatest Journey and through this discover Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

Office News

Café Time!!

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





Notices for Weekly News

Weekly News items are to be sent to churchenquiries@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.

Connect Cards

Connect Cards are available as you enter worship. Please complete the card using pencils which are available from holders on the side of chairs in the worship centre. They may be placed in the offering boxes provided at exits as you leave. Connect Cards may be used for comments, small group or prayer requests or to communicate with office or Pastoral Care staff.

Name Badge Request

The cost for a replacement name badge is \$12. If you would like to order one, contact the church office on 8263 5087 or send an email to: churchenquiries@paravista.org.au

"...Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their **story**— those he redeemed from the hand of the foe..."

Psalm 107:2

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@safeplace.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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