

November 19<sup>th</sup> 2023

# God Is Appealing Through You

8.45am

**Song Pre-Service:** Today, Tomorrow and Forever (Sanctus Real) <https://youtu.be/Pyrz37fPiw> CCLI No. 7151169

**(Georgie)** Good morning and a warm Good Shepherd welcome to you all, especially if you're visiting with us. May you be renewed and blessed as we worship our Lord today. I'm Georgie Schuster your WL today. Craig Joppich will be our guest speaker today – and also leading some parts of our service.

*Housekeeping: mobile phones off/silent, toilets along the rear corridor to my right, Connect Cards to assist us with caring & connection in our community. Pencils are available in the chairs on the side.*

Praise Points from the past week (roving microphone needed)

If you'd like to share something from the past week that gives you reason to praise God, please raise a hand so we can bring a microphone to you.

Call to Worship

As you are able, please stand as we begin this time of praise and worship. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Song:** Lord Reign In Me (Brown) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZzEkhTwiODc> CCLI No. 2490706

**Song:** O Come To The Altar (Elevation) <https://youtu.be/ycWDFd0yCHA> CCLI No. 7051511

*(Please be seated)*

Call to Confession **(Georgie)**

Heavenly Father,

**We confess that our lives have not always reflected who we are in Christ.**

**We have sinned against you and each other through what we have thought, said and done.**

**We have not loved you above everything else in our lives.**

**We have hurt others through our own selfish attitudes, words, and actions.**

**And there are those times we have failed to do good things when we had the chance**

*(pause for silent reflection and confession)*

**(Georgie)** We continue.....

**Lord, have mercy on us.**

**Because of Jesus' death for us, please forgive us all our sins.**

**Renew us by the power and presence of our risen Lord and pour out your Holy Spirit on each of us so we can live as your people and reflect your love to the world.**

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Declare God's Words of forgiveness: **(Georgie)**

Hear the Good News brothers and sisters in Christ. Our gracious God faithfully hears the cries of his people and holds each of us in his arms. Through the sacrifice of His own son Jesus Christ, our relationship with God the Father has been restored, and we receive forgiveness in Jesus' name. In the powerful name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! And the people of God say. **Amen**

I invite you to stand as you are able for our next song

**Song:** I Speak JESUS (Here Be Lions) [https://youtu.be/FpGYImM\\_VeM](https://youtu.be/FpGYImM_VeM) CCLI No. 7136201

*(Please be seated)*

Theme of the Day: **(Georgie)** The theme for today is 'God is Appealing Through You'

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 11-21 (NLT) **(Georgie)**

Please stand as you are able and join me as we respond to God speaking to us in his word, by confessing our faith in him as the body of Christ, his church.

Confession of faith: **The Apostles Creed**

*(Please be seated)*

Message: Testimony – God Is Appealing Through You **(Craig Joppich)**

I invite you to stand as you are able for our next song

**Song: Today, Tomorrow and Forever** (Sanctus Real) <https://youtu.be/Pyrrz37fPw> CCLI No. 7151169

*(Please be seated)*

General Prayers & **The Lord's Prayer** **(Georgie)**

Announce Retiring Offering **(Georgie)**

Through our freewill offerings we honour God and join his mission of making Jesus known in our community. Many do this electronically. Otherwise, you are invited to place your freewill offerings in the bowls at the doors as you exit the church after the service. Connect Cards can also be placed in these bowls. It would be helpful for our offering counters if you can do this soon after the service.

I invite you to stand as you are able for our final song

**Song: For All You've Done** (Hillsong) <https://youtu.be/9Dg-ma1bACQ> CCLI No. 4254689

Sharing the Blessing **(Georgie)** *'I invite you to turn to others, and raise a hand or two, and repeat after me:'*

**May the LORD bless you / and keep you in his care.**

**May the LORD smile on you / and pour his grace into your lives.**

**May the Lord look on you with favour / and give you his peace. Amen**

*(Please be seated)*

Announcements: **(Georgie)**

- 1. Thank you to our guest speaker** for today. Thanks Craig for your message and helping lead the worship.
- 2. Celebrations: "5 or 0" Anniv's and B'days** Julie Freund and Gaynor Gower are celebrating special Baptism birthdays.
- 3. Para Vista Community Carols on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec 7pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.** This is a free event, but you need to book tickets on the website or through the Church Office. Postcards are available for you to give to family, friends and neighbours.  
We also have posters that we would like to be displayed in the community. If you are able to help, please take one or more posters, to display in shop windows or notice boards, work places or schools. Please ask permission from the venues!
- 4. Chris Jaensch – help for carols night** Chris needs help from kids (and their parents) to join him for his Christmas play and songs that will be part of the Carols night on December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- 5. Half Yearly meeting** will be held TODAY starting at 12.15pm. There will be a BBQ after the 10.30am service, so you can eat before the meeting starts! All money raised supports the Family Hub.
- 6. KAPS and Ignite** – next week 26<sup>th</sup> November 4-7pm. Last event for the year.
- 7. Lutheran Care food collection** -food items will be gratefully received next Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> November. See the weekly news for items specifically requested.
- 8. Prayer Available after service** in the quiet corner adjacent to the organ

**9. Hospitality.** Hasn't it been a privilege to worship our great God together? But is that the only reason we are here together this morning? We now have an opportunity to check in with each other and find out how we've been travelling with Jesus this week. If you are visiting with us this morning, we'd love to meet you and get to know you. So, everyone, please take some time now to say hello to someone you haven't met before, particularly if they are of a different generation to yourself. The cafe is open so grab a cuppa and chat.