

St Andrew's Lutheran Church Newsletter 23 June 2022

Our purpose is to be a city-based, Lutheran faith community sharing its gifts to the mutual benefit of the congregation and the broader community.

Readings for Third Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:15,16,19-21 The call of Elisha

Psalm 77:1,2,11-20

Psalm 16

Galatians 5:1,13-25 Freedom in Christ to live by the Spirit

Luke 9:51-62 The cost of following Jesus

Readings for the Scandinavian Language service Jubilee

FIRST READING Jeremiah 29:1,4-7

SECOND READING Revelation 7:9-12, 17

GOSPEL John 17:1, 20-23

Roster

	26 June	3 July	10 July	17 July
	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost 150 years since first Scandinavian service	4 th Sunday after Pentecost	5 th Sunday after Pentecost	6 th Sunday after Pentecost
Presiding Minister	Rev Stephen Nuske	Cathy Brown	Yong Bong Cho	Rev Stephen Nuske
(Communion) Assistant	Yong Bong Cho MiLo Loren	Karyn Cullen	Owen Dixon	Helen Ost
Organist	Mark Boughen	Mark Boughen	Mark Boughen	Mark Boughen
Psalmist	Owen Dixon Steinar Johansen	Leena Vuorinen	Astrid Stroessinger	Owen Dixon
Lector	Leena Vuorinen Odd Steinar Dybvad-Raneng MiLo Lorén	Mark Tonkin Astrid Stroessinger	Owen Dixon Julie Walker	Stephen Cullen Dennis Mercier-Lee
Usher	Jeff Ost Carmen Ost Julie Walker Mark Tonkin	Mark Tonkin	Jeff Ost	Stephen Cullen
Collection counting	Julie Walker	Julie Walker	Shiron Dixon	Shiron Dixon
Sunday School	No Sunday School (School holidays)	N/A School holidays	N/A School holidays	Jeff Ost/Tehiry
Announcements	Shiron Dixon	Julie Walker	Shiron Dixon	Shiron Dixon
Morning tea	Karyn Cullen- Corinne Marron, Helen Ost, Shiron Dixon	Astrid Stroessinger Leena Vuorinen	David & Anjuli Julie Walker	Anne-Marie Gerlach Julie Seidel
Cleaning	Corinne Marron	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed

1. Thank you to all our volunteers! Please let Shiron know your availability for July. A draft July roster has been prepared but the availability of some volunteers is yet to be confirmed.

2. **Working bee to clean up the hall THIS SATURDAY 25 June.**

Last week's effort was magnificent - thank you again to all of those involved. This week's efforts will complete preparations for the Scandinavian commemorative service on Sunday. You will see the shipping container has arrived and much has already been moved there for storage. This week there is gardening to do and decorating for the service and more progress on preparations for work on the kitchen.

Please register your availability (any time you have between 8 and 3) with Carmen or Karyn (karyn_cullen@bigpond.com or 0411276235)

3. 26 June will mark the **150th anniversary of first Scandinavian/Nordic language service** on this site in 1872. Let us know whether you will attend, for catering purposes, if you haven't already. [Event details](#)

It's **also not too late to enter the Lego Competition** (details [here](#))! You are in the running if you deliver your masterpiece before the service on Sunday

4. Thank you to Acting First Assistant Bishop David Schmidt for leading worship last Sunday. Pastor David has kindly shared his sermon, which can be found [here](#)

5. Last Sunday we also had a choir sing since Kris and Reka are visiting from Hungary. Thank you for gathering a choir, Reka! We wish you a safe journey back to Hungary and look forward to your next visit, which hopefully will be later this year.

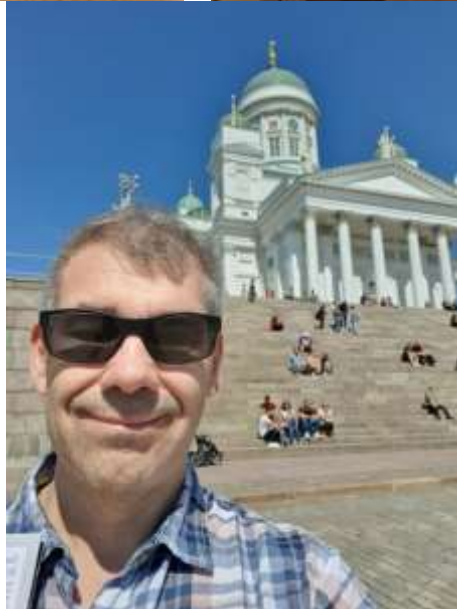


6. We are still working through the issues associated with keys and the new security doors. This may take a while as we also need to make decisions about security arrangements associated with the new kitchen.

7. Church Council met on Tuesday night and among the matters discussed were replacement of the safe and external doors that were damaged during the break ins.

8. Nazareth Woolloongabba Shed men July meeting details- Tuesday 5th July - 6.30pm for 7.00pm. \$5.00 per person for dinner including soft drinks. RSVP Eric 0408 880 372 / girts@optusnet.com.au and advise of any dietary requirements. July guest speaker is LTCOL Brian Venz. **SUBJECT: Coast Watchers:** After the attack on Pearl Harbour, Japan was dominant In the South West Pacific. A tiny band of brave men and a woman stayed behind enemy lines. Aided by loyal Islanders they warned the Allies of enemy air strikes which changed the course of the war in the Pacific and saved many lives. These Coast Watchers were hunted by the enemy and many of them lost their lives. This tale of heroism is really worth hearing.

9. Greetings from Pastor Tommi in Finland. He has sent us a few photographs, too. The images from inside the church are from last Sunday's service in one of the newest churches in Finland (Tikkurila, a suburb in Greater Helsinki, consecrated last year). The church behind Pastor Tommi is Helsinki Cathedral, where he was ordained in 2003. It was also the church attended by Bishop Mark Vainikka and his family when they lived in Finland.



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GROWING

What are we doing to sustain our congregation into the future?

Korean ministry Planning

Yong Bong Cho, Shiron Dixon and Karyn Cullen are meeting regularly to progress planning. There will be an update once preliminary ideas and timelines are in place to hear your feedback and contributions.

Multicultural ministry theme for July/August - look out for the survey to get your thoughts!



Top of mind

- Korean ministry planning
- Church roof leak repairs
- Ramp approvals
- New kitchen preparations
- Scandinavian service 26/6

For a full activity update for July click [here](#).

Welcoming survey [results](#) – have a look what you said and what action is being taken.

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12. We pray for

World: for the people of Ukraine suffering because of the Russian military assault; for the COVID safety of all; for people suffering because of natural and manmade disasters; for the many people in USA who have lost loved ones in recent senseless mass shootings; for victims of the Afghan earthquake

Church: for the **Australian Lutheran College** staff who serve at the College in many and varied roles; the students who are enrolled at ALC from all over Australia, New Zealand and the Asia Pacific; and that more students will feel called and encouraged to study at ALC; for the successful implementation of the decisions made at LCAQD Synod.

Community: for those suffering the effects of COVID-19; for frontline workers who are working long hours under difficult conditions; for those experiencing financial hardship and cost of living pressures; for those who are fearful or anxious about the future, for those who are away from home.

Needs: for those who have asked our prayers, including Anne-Marie and Sophie, Ann, Astrid, Erika, Giselle Kim, John, Liz, Odd Steinar, Paul, the family of Jo Kleinschmidt, Rex and their children, Robert, Tina, Victor, and Zohaib

13. At St Andrew's we will continue to monitor the COVID situation, particularly as we enter the 'flu season'. We encourage the use various processes and procedures designed to keep our attendees safe. Masks are not currently mandated, but you may want to wear a mask when you are close to others. Please stay safe and keep others safe. If you are experiencing symptoms, do not attend a service. [Our Updated Covid Safe check list](#)

14. Do you need pastoral care?

If you would like support in Pastor Tommi's absence, please contact our Pastoral Assistants or Pastor Russell. You can do this by emailing or phoning the office on 3831 9016 and leaving a message asking that someone contact you. If you leave a message or send an email, make sure you include your phone number to help them get in touch with you quickly. Phone messages and emails will be checked regularly.

15. Central Community Services / Workshops/ Groups that may interest you. Support is available. If there is something you have seen here in previous weeks please don't hesitate to contact the office for information. Some programs do not have end date and have only been removed from the below list to keep it fresh.

- [Career Employment Australia Training flyer](#)
- [DV-Alert Workshop flyer](#)
- [WH&E Shark Cage Group flyer](#)
- [WH&E Support and Therapeutic Groups Term 3 flyer](#)
- [JSCC June Program flyer](#)

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