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15 July and 22 July

Real People *with* Relevant Faith *for* Our Community

## Front and Centre

### Worship

#### Sunday 15 July

Matt 8: 23-27

Ian Weaver

8am, 9.30am

#### Sunday 22 July

Matt 9:18-26

Ian Weaver

8am, 9.30am

#### Sunday 29 July

Matt 14:22-33

Ian Weaver

8am, 9.30am

### Coming Events

#### Welcome back Ian

**17 July** Friendship Group

**27 July** 96.5 at ESS

**28 July** ESS Trivia Night

**4 Aug** Men's Breakfast here

**4 Aug** Eisteddfod Starts here

**Next Newsletter will be 29 July**

Hey hey hey! Hello to everyone reading this in worship and online. After a great (and full) week at Day Camp last week, I'm back to enjoying my 'downtime' between bible college semesters and the time that gives me to catch up on some professional reading (that isn't a textbook or lecture notes).

I've recently finished "Family on Mission" by Mike and Sally Breen, and am part way through "Sowing, Reaping, Keeping" by Laurence Singlehurst. They are both great reads and come highly recommended. I've found that they nicely complement the things I've been learning at college, especially around faith formation and mission.

Over the last few weeks we've heard from Joy and Dom about sowing seeds and being part of God's family. If you missed these sermons I encourage you to listen to them online or on our Church App. Some of the things that I've been reminded about through these is that mission is not about where we see a need, or where we think that we should do some good work; but that we must see where *God* is already at work, where *He* has sown seeds and join *His Family* to do *His* mission.

In "Family on Mission" Mike Breen says, "Missional purpose is about listening for the word of Jesus, living in the way of Jesus, and practicing the works of Jesus." One morning at home, while I was reading this book, my kids asked what I was reading. I explained it was a book about mission which led to a great conversation. I asked them what they thought our family mission was and they offered a few suggestions. "To get to school on time" and "to get Lachlan to band practice before 7:20am" stick in my mind. These are things our family struggles with but wasn't quite what I had in mind. I continued to ask questions, and we talked about Jesus' mission, and the mission he gave us. We pulled out a bible,

looked up the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19) and they decided that was a pretty good one to adopt as ours too. I realised at that time, that we do already work as a family on mission. We eat, read, learn, laugh, grow, pray and rest together. It takes the effort of our whole family working together to do life. We don't always do it perfectly, but I think we are getting better at it, and as we do, our faith grows.

Faith formation can be a long and slow process, led by the Holy Spirit, with us playing our part. John Westerhoff's research found that the first stage of faith is experiential, where people experience God, through his people. The next stage is affiliative, where people feel they are part of and contribute to the community. In "Sowing, Reaping, Keeping", Laurence Singlehurst says we are to sow seeds first by building relationships and showing others that 'God is good, and we are ok'. With these in mind, I believe then that this is what our mission is now, to help those in our community experience God through us, make them feel welcome and like they belong to our community.

I see God already working in many places in our community; Enoggera State School, Tiny Town, Playgroup, Boys' and Girls' Brigades and Day Camp to name just a few. Are you ready to join him? Are you ready be real people who listen to the word of God? Do you have relevant faith and try to live as Jesus does? Are you ready to be God's hands and feet for our community? If you are, welcome aboard, if not, what do you need to be ready? I'd love to talk to you more about any of this!

God Bless,

Jess Pinkerton (Families Pastor)



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## Follow-Up Questions

### 15 July 2018 - Matthew 8:23-27 "Jesus has power to calm the storms"

Jesus and his disciples are out in a boat when a fierce storm comes up. Their boat is full of water, and they think they are going to drown. Jesus stops the storm with just a few words. The disciples are in awe that Jesus has power to calm storms

1. When you were a kid, where did you go to hide in the house when there was a bad storm?
2. When is a time you've felt like your life was stormy, at home, school, work or somewhere else.
3. What do you think the disciples are feeling as this storm begins? As it whips up?
4. What do you think Jesus was teaching them by sleeping through the storm? By rebuking it?
5. How might the disciples feel as they continued across the lake?
6. When circumstantial clouds darken your life, do you sense the Son still shining? Or does he seem asleep? Why might it feel that way?
7. What do you learn from Jesus from this story? How does that relate to the times you face evil?
8. What "storms" seem too much for you to handle right now?

### 22 July 2018 - Matthew 9:18-26 "Jesus has power over sickness and death"

Jairus asks Jesus to save his dying daughter. As Jesus travels to Jairus' house, a sick woman touches Jesus' robe and her faith heals her. Meanwhile, Jairus' daughter dies. But Jesus is able to bring her back to life because Jesus has power over sickness and death!

1. What feelings do you think prompted the ruler to approach Jesus? How about the woman?
2. If you were the woman, how would you feel just before you reached out to touch Jesus? Just afterward?
3. How was the woman's faith evident?
4. Compare the woman and the ruler. What does Jesus' response to both show about the Kingdom?
5. What parts does faith play in these healings?
6. The ruler and the woman were both desperate. What is the relationship between desperation and faith?
7. What does this story encourage you to do as you face desperate situations?
8. Who needs healing that you can pray for? Take time to pray for them (it could even be you).

## Explore Groups

Explore groups are a great way to Explore faith as a growing disciple by meeting regularly with others to study God's Word, and spend time in prayer and reflection. Explore groups also build relationships and promote pastoral care.

**How can I join?** Speak with one of the Ministry Team Members, or one of the Church Council Members.

**I'm interested, but not available when existing groups meet?** Please let the church office know. We may be able to start a new group at a different time.

#### **Solfa**

2nd & 4th Mon 9:30am

#### **KYB**

Tues 9:45am

#### **Living Water**

1st & 3rd Tues 10:00am

#### **Wednesday Morning**

Wed 9:15am

#### **Wednesday In the Word**

Wed 7:30pm

#### **Bunnies Explore Group**

Tues 7:00pm

#### **Wednesday Wonderers**

Fortnightly Thurs 7:00pm

#### **Thursday Thinkers**

2nd & 4th Thurs 7pm

#### **Women's Bible Study**

Mon 12.45pm

#### **Walking Women**

Thurs 6pm



## Pastoral Care

### Pastoral Care

At Emmanuel, pastoral care is "for everyone by everyone" and this often happens within an Explore Group. For other Pastoral Care needs we have a dedicated team of volunteers headed by Bronwyn Kelly who can be contacted in the first instance on 3354 4961.

## Prayer Points

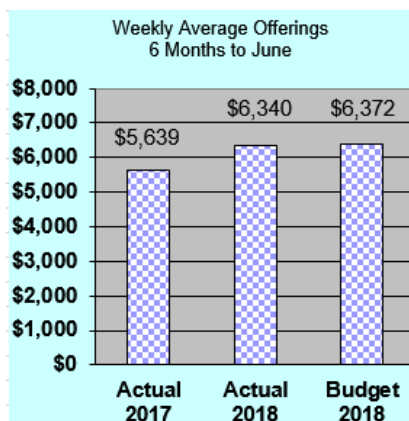
- ✚ The Brigades- for faith growth and growth in members.
- ✚ For those who attended day camp for the seeds that were planted to be nurtured and growth.
- ✚ Thanks for those who helped out on Day Camp for their generosity of time and service.
- ✚ For the Weaver and Lawler families and the other families in our community that are grieving.

### Prayer Chain

Other matters requiring prayer attention can be passed to Bronwyn Kelly in confidence who will enlist the help of our Prayer Team.

### Finances

Please contact our Treasurer Barry Jardine if you want any further information.



## Notices & Coming Events

**The Enoggera Eisteddfod** will be commenting on Saturday 4th August and volunteers are an extremely important part of the smooth running of the Eisteddfod. The Volunteers Roster is now on the notice board. There are a several tasks to be filled, none of which are very difficult. If you would like to volunteer please have a look and write your name where you would like to help out. Enquiries - Coral Robertson 0416 558 089. Thank you, Coral

There will be no **Sunday School** the next 3 weeks it will resume again 22nd July. During the school holiday time we encourage children to stay with their parents in church and engage in the service. There will be colouring sheets and pencils available from the foyer to help with this process. For more tips on how to help children engage in church please feel free to contact our Families Pastor Jess. Some websites that might also help you get ideas are <https://growingfaith.com.au/parenting/5-tips-for-involving-your-kids-in-church-services> and <https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/spiritual-growth-for-kids/hearts-of-worship/welcoming-kids-into-worship>

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP** is meeting on Tuesday 17th July at 9.30am.

The theme is Volunteering - have you been a volunteer or been helped by a volunteer? Guest Speaker is Margaret Sharman who will tell us about Hospital volunteers. Host - Pam Kleinschmidt  
Morning Tea - Dot Duhs and Jacqueline Wilson.  
New members and visitors very welcome.  
Enquiries - Carol 3351 7799.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP BUS TRIP** The Friendship Group Bus Trip is on Tuesday 21st August. There are still plenty of spots available. Everyone is invited. We are going to Kilcoy leaving Emmanuel at 9am proceeding to Fernvale to see the Historic sign boards at the information centre regarding the birth of the town before travelling to Wivenhoe Dam for morning tea. Lunch will be at a Historic Hotel in Kilcoy before traveling thorough the Somerset Dam area. Kilcoy residents have claimed to see a Yowie in the area and we will see the statue. Please contact Val Farnsworth on 3355 0210 to claim your spot.

### On a personal note . . .

Thank you everyone for your prayers and kind wishes during what has turned out to be a tumultuous four weeks! My Dad went to glory on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June after a sudden downturn of his health. He had been battling prostate cancer for about two years and in the end he was glad to go. We have had a good family time in Geelong over the last two weeks saying farewell at a large funeral at Wesley Uniting Church. Both our kids were able to be there, in Jack's case due to some rather amazing crowd funding, which started in Finland and included his wonderful congregation at St Helens in England. My sisters and I have begun helping Mum in her new reality and she is doing well and expecting now to finally get up here to meet you all!

God bless, Ian.



## Men's Breakfast

**Saturday 4 August**  
**7am here @ Emmanuel**

Prison Ministry and  
the Spanish Civil War  
with Greg Hoffingworth




### Date Claimer

Invite your mates to come along and join in fellowship and here Greg speak. RSVP to the office by 29th July.





Save the date

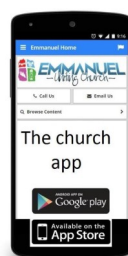
**96five Family Radio Show Visit at Enoggera S.S.  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July, 6am-9am**

96five will be broadcasting live from 6am-9am and there'll be loads of other fun family activities including a jumping castle, sporting games, freebies, a coffee cart for the parents and a \$4 pancake breakfast.

There might even have a visit from the Surf Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter.

It would be great if we could support Enoggera State School with this event and also connect with the local community.

For more information please contact the church office or Jess Pinkerton.



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### **Banking Information**

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**BSB: 334 040 Account Number: 553 839 228**

**Account Name: UCA – Emmanuel Uniting Church Enoggera**

**Note:** Please ensure that you include name and a brief reason for the payment.