

# Real People with Relevant Faith for Our Community

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### **Front and Centre**

# Worship

Sunday Feb 16 8am 9.30am Psalm 121 Brian Hoole

Sunday Feb 23 8am 9.30am Psalm 51 Brian Hoole

Sunday Mar 1 8am 9.30am Brian Hoole

Feb16-Mar 1 opportunity to nominate elders

Feb 18 Friendship Group

Mar 7 Amplify Work-

Mar 15 Brigades Church Parade

21 Mar YAG

Mar 29 Congregational Meeting

Mar 31 AGM and Election of Elders

Next newsletter 1 March

Welcome to everyone reading this Newsletter, whether in print or electronic version online or in our church app. Whichever way you are connecting, we're thrilled to count you as part of our community. If there's ever anyway in which we can serve you, please don't hesitate to ask!

What an exciting few weeks we have had. The 9 Feb saw my induction and a great time of celebration as we formalized our commitment to each other. I felt very blessed by the mix of people from this congregation, this Presbytery and my old Presbytery. I particularly valued my friend Uncle Joe Kirk who came to do a welcome to country on behalf of the traditional custodians of the land. Thank you to all of those who played a part in the worship, and in providing nourishment for the supper after. It was a great celebration.

**Coming Events** This Sunday is even more exciting as we share with two families in baptism. At 8am Sebastian McCreery-Rye, the grandson of William McCreery-Rye will be baptised and we welcome Sebastian, and Christian and Storm, his parents. Then at 9.30 Olivia Smith, Helen and Darren's daughter has come to the decision that she wants to be baptised and become a member of Emmanuel Uniting. The journey for Olivia through Girls' Brigade and Sunday School is bearing fruit for Olivia who wants to acknowledge her own growing faith. Personally I am very excited to be able to share and celebrate both of these with the relevant families and with our church community. As a part of baptism the congregation is asked to make a promise. 'to maintain a life of worship and teaching, witness and service so that our young people may grow to maturity in Christ. I hope and pray that we take those promises seriously and do not just mouth them off. What do we do to ensure that our young people and their families feel welcomed and encouraged. It is something the Church Council and Ministry Team take seriously but it is for all of us. How do we ensure that we are a welcoming space for all people. That we prioritise meeting and talking with new people who may come and spending time with people who may feel on the outer. This is a good church and we need to keep on top of these things as God provides us with opportunities to minister and grow.

Brian

**Rev Brian Hoole Minister** 



### **Follow-Up Questions**

### 16 February 2020 - The Lord's Prayer: Asking

Read: Psalm 121; Matthew 6:11

### Here's what happens...

Jesus teaches us to ask God for what we need. Psalm 121 is an example of this kind of prayer; travelers asked for God's help as they faced a dangerous journey. The psalmist writes, "My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth!"

### Questions.....

- 1. Are you a "night owl" or a "morning lark"? What are you most creative hours?
- 2. What is the mood of the pilgrims on a winding road through hills? To what are they vulnerable? How much more after nightfall?
- 3. What comfort does the traveler receive from the journey? When do you feel most vulnerable? How do you protect yourself?

### Talk About...

• What's one thing you need help with this week?

### Pray.....

Print out Psalm 121. It's a traveler's psalm asking for God's help. Hang it by your door or in your car, and pray the prayer together whenever you go somewhere this week.

### 23 February 2020 - The Lord's Prayer: Forgiveness

Read: Psalm 51; Matthew 6:12-13

Here's what happens...

Jesus sets the example of asking for forgiveness and for help resisting temptation. In Psalm 51, David confesses his greatest sins and asks God to give him a clean heart.

### Questions.....

- 1. Do you recall getting caught with your hand in the "cookie jar" as a kid or an adult? What happened?
- 2. In how many ways did David sin in the Bathsheba affair? In light of his arrogance, adultery, deception and murder, how does he dare approach God? What does he feel? Murder is a capital crime under Jewish Law. Why also adultery?
- 3. Why does David generalize his prayer to include the whole nation? What does this say about the nature of sin?

### Talk About ...

Tell about a difficult apology you've had to make.

### Through the Week

Set up a reminder to say you're sorry to God this week.

### **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

**Wednesday Morning** Wed 9:15am

# 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



### **Pastoral Care**

**Pastoral Care & Prayer Team** At Emmanuel, pastoral care is "for everyone by everyone". What does this mean? It means that we care for each other in our family, this often happens within our Explore Groups. We also have a dedicated Pastoral Care team lead by Bronwyn Kelly if you want to know more about how this works or to get connected with meal support or want to connect with others with prayer you can contact Bronwyn Kelly who can be contacted in the first instance on 3354 4961

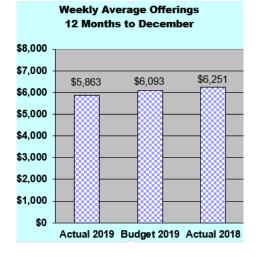
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### **Prayer Points**

- For the Brian and Claire Hoole as they embrace the change of a new life.
- 中 For Tiny Town staff and community.
- from For our nation as it struggles with floods, viruses and economic troubles.
- All our groups as they start up for the year.

#### **Finances**

Offerings for the year were down on last year by \$388 per week or slightly in excess of \$20,000 for the year. This is not a long-term sustainable situation.



# **Notices & Coming Events**

<u>Group News</u> If all group leaders can confirm church room bookings with the office as soon as they can to avoid disappointment.

Bookings can made by emailing <u>buildingbook</u>-

<u>ings@emmanueluca.org.au</u> Thanks <u>Baptisms</u> Congratulations to

Sebastian James McCreery-Rye (8am) and Olivia Louise Smith (9.30am) who were baptised on16th February 2020.

House Keeping You may have noticed the new markings in the driveway and entry to the church on the south pine rd side. These have been put here to ensure safe passage into the building for everyone. Please **do not park over the** marked area. If you need to park in the driveway please use the car spaces at the top of the driveway or on the right hand side. Also did you know that on a Sunday Morning you can park in the car park in front of the school? If you have any questions or concerns about this please feel free to contact Helen in the office during office hours. Thank you.

**Enoggera State School** is looking for Tuckshop Volunteers for Fridays. If you would like to help please contact the church office for the best contact number at the school.

**CHH (Community Helping <u>Hand</u>** Welcome to another great year for Community Helping Hand (CHH), helping struggling people in our wider community. It has been suggested by one of our forward thinking ladies, Mel ba, that we get an organisation code from the local bottle recycler in Pickering Street. Her suggestion was that the funds from our recycling there be directed to CHH. Naturally this receives the approval of CHH. Helen has contacted the recycling station and has received the code for our church. This means that when you recycle bottles in the Pickering Street depot that you have an opportunity not only to help our planet, but also to help CHH. Using the code **C10226106** will allow the re-

fund to be paid directly into the Emmanuel account.

We have a great team working for CHH, and we appreciate all the

help given from the Emmanuel congregation. What you do makes a big difference. Will you pray for CHH? Please continue to pray for the work of CHH and all who beaver away in the myriad of tasks involved in its operation. That would be ace. Thanks Ros Gepp Name Badges I am placing a name badge order next month. If you are interested in an Emmanuel Name Badge please add your name to the list in the fover or contact the office. Cost will be around \$15 for magnetic badges and \$12 for pin badges. Helen Smith

<u>Support Requested</u> Before Brian and Claire move into their home there will be at least one night a week where Brian will be staying over for evening meetings and would welcome an invitation for an evening meal.

(Understanding of course that he is likely need to leave by 6.45 or 7 for meetings that occur. Please contact the office if you could support Brian in this way.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP resumes on Tuesday 18th February at.9.30am.

Please bring your ideas for this year's program.

Morning Tea - Dorothy and Carol. New members always welcome. Phone Carol 3351 7799.

The Pastoral Care Team is looking to recruit some new members. We are looking for people who have a passion for caring for people. To encourage our belief that Pastoral Care at Emmanuel is for everyone by everyone. Have the ability to listen well and respect privacy. The team coordinates the frozen meal ministry, offers care to people who are sick or who are unable to attend church regularly. We also have some administrative roles. Including - sending cards to people on the anniversary of the death of loved ones, recording church attendance, updating records, helping to integrate new members, and keeping the church directory up to date. If you feel God is calling you to be

involved please contact either
Bronwyn Kelly
on bronwynk1@hotmail.com
The church office

The church office at office@emmanuel.org.au by 8th March 2020.



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# Newsletter

In an age where we are all becoming more environmentally conscious did you know that you could have your newsletter mailed to you fortnightly and that it is also available on the website/app?

If you want to know more please contact the church office or check out the website at

https://emmanueluca.org.au/newsletters





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### **Church Council**

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### A hearing aid loop is installed on the car park side of the church.

### **Banking Information**

This is for anyone who would prefer to use Internet Banking for their Offerings, Special Appeals or payments for events e.g. Lights Camera Christmas, Community Helping Hand etc.

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.