

Glynde Lutheran Church

@Glynde

February 2020

LIFE IS FULL OF

BEAUTY



NOTICE IT.



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Find something beautiful to notice

Lisa Beamer on Good Morning America - If you remember, she's the wife of Todd Beamer who said 'Let's Roll!' and helped take down the plane over Pennsylvania that was heading for Washington, DC back on 9/11.

She said it's the little things that she misses most about Todd, such as hearing the garage door open as he came home, and her children running to meet him.

Lisa recalled this story: "I had a very special teacher in high school many years ago whose husband died suddenly of a heart attack. About a week after his death, she shared some of her insight with a classroom of students...

As the late afternoon sunlight came streaming in through the classroom windows and the class was nearly over, she moved a few things a side on the edge of her desk and sat down there. With a gentle look of reflection on her face, she paused and said, 'Class is over. I would like to share with all of you, a thought that is unrelated to class, but which I feel is very important. Each of us is put here on earth to learn, share, love, appreciate and give of ourselves. None of us knows when this fantastic experience will end. It can be taken away at any moment.

Perhaps this is God's way of telling us that we must make the most out of every single day. Her eyes, beginning to water, she went on, 'So I would like you all to make me a promise. From now on, on your way to school, or on your way home, find something beautiful to notice.

It doesn't have to be something you see; it could be a scent, perhaps of freshly baked bread wafting out of someone's house, or it could be the sound of the breeze slightly rustling the leaves in the trees, or the way the morning light

catches one autumn leaf as it falls gently to the ground. Please look for these things, and cherish them. For, although it may sound trite to some, these things are the "stuff" of life. The little things we are put here on earth to enjoy. The things we often take for granted.

The class was completely quiet. We all picked up our books and filed out of the room silently. That afternoon, I noticed more things on my way home from school than I had that whole semester. Every once in a while, I think of that teacher and remember what an impression she made on all of us, and I try to appreciate all of those things that sometimes we all overlook.

Take notice of something special you see in your lunch hour today. Go barefoot. Or walk on the beach at sunset. Stop off on the way home tonight to get a double dip ice cream cone. For as we get older, it is not the things we did that we often regret, but the things we didn't do.

GOD Bless you every day of your life. The nicest place to be is in someone's thoughts. The safest place to be is in someone's prayers, and the very best place to be is in the hands of God.

From the editor...

The above story inspired this edition of the @Glynde for February. Often after Christmas holidays we run head first into a new year. But what if we instead stopped to notice the beauty of what we already have around us, rather than striving towards something new and 'more'.

I hope you enjoy reading through this edition, particularly the introduction of our new church Chairperson on pages 6 & 7, as well as the reintroduction of many of our mid-week ministries.

God Bless

Fleur Kupke

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From Pastor Wayne...

Hi! It's good to be back among you after time away on Annual Leave. Sure, holidays are great, but life is more than holidays, and life lived for yourself. It's all about loving and serving others, and sharing the Good News of Jesus with others. It's about living life to the full as God's loved, forgiven child.

This is what Fleur, the editor of this @Glynde, is wanting to emphasise in this edition, I think, by choosing as her theme "Noticing beauty". Fleur relates a story told by Lisa Beamer, *the wife of Todd Beamer who died heroically in a 9/11 plane crash*, about a special high school teacher whose husband had died suddenly from a heart attack. She records the high school teacher as saying to her class:

Each of us is put here to learn, share, love, appreciate and give of ourselves. None of us knows when this fantastic experience will end. It can be taken away at any moment...

I agree wholeheartedly! And from personal experience...most of you know that a little over three years ago, I died on

a tennis court while playing doubles tennis with friends in North Adelaide. I was revived by CPR and an ambulance defibrillator, and then repaired in hospital with a double bypass operation. As a result of this experience, I have vowed to myself to live each day to the full, as if it is my last.

What does that involve? It involves following Jesus in all that we do: using each situation that comes our way as an opportunity to love and serve the people who God brings us into contact with, and seeking to share the good news of Jesus as the opportunities present themselves, *and noticing the beauty in the world around us.*

You know, this is our task as a community of faith, too. Listen again to how it is put in our Mission Statement: **"To reveal and celebrate God's love, so that all may know Jesus, and worship him"**

The Inreach goal that flows from that is: **"To encourage, upbuild, and equip one another, so that we may grow in our**

faith and become more the outreaching, serving people that God wants us to be”.

And our Outreach goal:

“To reach out as a congregation and as individuals to the many hurting and lost people around us with the good news of God’s love and forgiveness”.

Each year, we seek to find new ways of doing this, *to the glory of God*. Our Visioning 2020 this afternoon, Sunday 2nd February is one opportunity to explore how we as God’s people here at Glynde are going to use each day that God gives us to serve Him. Come along, and over some cheese and biscuits *and some wine*, we’ll spend time thinking about, and dreaming about, what God wants us to do here.

May God bless you, and us as a community of faith here at Glynde, as we live each day to the full, *to God’s glory*.

Pastor Wayne ☺





From the Chairperson ...

Gifts and Hope...

I know it is a month since Christmas, however, did you get what you hoped for? If you are like me, your immediate thought is likely to relate to the gifts you received. If so, were your hopes fulfilled? Did you receive the gift that you asked for or one that you liked or appreciated?

Fairly recently I read a book entitled 'What money can't buy: the moral limits of markets'. The book begins with the premise that in the West we have moved from a society based on a market economy to a market society. The author Michael Sandel comments that in our society we try and commoditise everything. We determine the value or worth of something by the degree to

which both the giver and receiver value it. He suggests that the reason many economists don't like gift giving is that the people receiving them value them less than the people giving them and therefore, in economic terms, there is a big loss in value.

I believe that the economists have got it wrong. Gift giving is not meant to be a market transaction. Put simply, gifts are about what we give to each other to grow in our relationships with each other. When we receive gifts in this vein, it builds the relationship. As a receiver of a gift we want to respond in kind, because the gift is a symbol or indicator of the real transaction which is love and friendship.

God the Father already knows us (Jeremiah 1:5), he has always known us, knows everything there is to know about us. He also knows what we really need. He cares and loves us and like anyone who cares, he wants to express his love through a gift. That gift is his grace received through his son, Jesus. As receivers of this amazing gift, we have the opportunity to respond in kind through active Christian love, friendship and service.

As this is my first article as a chairperson, allow me to introduce myself. Our family has been part of the Glynde community for over 10 years now and we regularly attend the 10.30 service. Both Trish and I are teachers. Trish teaches German at Concordia College, Highgate, and I teach in the area of Technology at Cornerstone College, Mount Barker. We have two daughters, Ellen who is studying Languages at Adelaide University, and Jess who is studying Teaching at Flinders.

I started this article mentioning hope. As a teacher, this is always a hopeful time of year. Hope for me is always forward looking. It provides optimism for the future, and a purpose for the now. God's gift of grace enables us to share in and realise his hope for us as his people here at Glynde. I would encourage you to participate in our Visioning 2020 planning afternoon at the church this Sunday 2nd Feb. from 1pm to 3pm. This is important in establishing the practical ways we intend to love and support each other in faith, as well as serving the community around us this year.

Jonathan Prenzler
Chairperson





From our Cross Cultural Coordinator...

Well, here we are with our 2020 program about to start. It has been nice having a few weeks to prepare for the term ahead and reflect upon the year just finished.

2019 had many special moments mid-week. Playgroup and mainly music are always special and provide such happy times for parents and children and us here at the church.

For me, it was a couple of our new courses that provided special moments. Grace over lunch and Alpha go slow on Fridays were new and unknown, but, as we know here, with God, they grow in a way always unexpected and beautiful.

At Alpha we spent nearly 2 terms learning and sharing about God, and Jesus, and the Holy Spirit and the church and lots more...and during this time we became quite a close group.

Yet, for me, when the group started, I was very nervous. Would it work? Would the language be okay? Would I prepare properly and listen with my heart to those sharing... and would they feel encouraged to open their hearts?

That is exactly where the beautiful moments happened. The sharing and love was both personal and real. One beautiful moment was at the end when no one wanted it to finish. What had started as an unknown had grown and blossomed into a God moment. Or the special day when one person said, Friday is the best day of the week because I can come here... that was surely seeing God's beauty!

I see the beauty in the people who came Christmas Eve, wanting to be a part of our community. I see the beauty when people ask for more learning. I see it in a handwritten note – and I continue to see it as we have continued to meet during the holidays to keep studying the bible together.

And Grace over lunch is the same. I see it when someone shares a recipe and feels so special. When you say thank you for sharing and their face lights up...how beautiful is that! How wonderful is it when someone speaks to you and they struggle with English and you understand what they are saying? Oh, the relief, but the absolute delight to know that person now feels a part of the community and wanted and loved...it provides a look and a feel that cannot be described!

God's beauty shines in the little things. I remember years ago when I wasn't well someone suggested to every day look for something beautiful – the first thing I noticed and thanked Him for was the sky...it's a practice I still do, and it makes you look for the little things.

So, 2020...what will it hold? I am sure there will be new and exciting moments where we see God's beauty in words, and in a touch and in a look and all around us in nature and the beauty of the world...

So, keep your eyes and hearts open to rejoice and share in these special moments... Does it make you smile to see God at work?

Barbara Mattiske
Cross Cultural Coordinator



Get Involved @ Glynde...

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
2 9am Worship HC 10:30 Worship HC 12noon Community Lunch 12:30 Korean Worship 1pm-3pm Vision 2020	3 11am Hymns We Love	4 9:30 Craft 7pm Quilters
9 9am Worship 10:30 Worship 12:30 Korean Worship 2pm Sudanese Nuer Worship	10 7pm KYB	11 9:30 Craft 7:30 Exec team meeting
16 9am Worship HC 10:30 Worship HC 12:30 Korean Worship	17 7pm KYB	18 9:30 Craft
23 9am Worship HC 10:30 Worship HC 12:30 Korean Worship 2pm Sudanese Nuer Worship	24 7pm KYB	25 9:30 Craft

What's on in February?

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
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5	9:30 Playgroup 11am Grace Over Lunch 7:30 Board for ministry meeting	6	7:30 Prayer Group 9:45 Mainly Music	7	9:30 English Class 9:30 Parenting Class 10:30 Coffee and Chat	8	10am English Class
12	9:30 Playgroup 9:30 Women's Fellowship 11am Grace Over Lunch	13	7:30 Prayer Group 9:45 Mainly Music 12noon Cards	14	9:30 KYB 9:30 English Class 9:30 Parenting Class 10:30 Coffee and Chat	15	8am Blokes' Brekky 10am English Class
19	9:30 Playgroup 11am Grace Over Lunch	20	7:30 Prayer Group 9:45 Mainly Music	21	9:30 KYB 9:30 English Class 9:30 Parenting Class 10:30 Coffee and Chat	22	10am English Class 10am-2pm Markets
26	9:30 Playgroup 11am Grace Over Lunch 7pm Ash Wednesday Service	27	7:30 Prayer Group 9:45 Mainly Music 12noon Cards	28	9:30 KYB 9:30 English Class 9:30 Parenting Class 10:30 Coffee and Chat	29	10am English Class

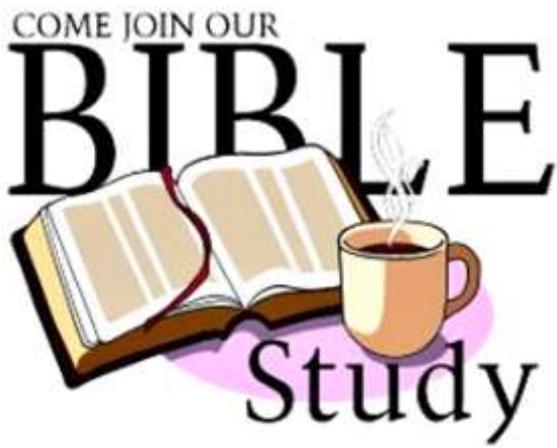
Baptisms @Glynde!



What a delight to celebrate so many baptisms here at Glynde over the past few months.

David Stock and baby Ethan were baptised by Pastor Wayne and Ryan was baptised by Pastor Dale Gosden, his chaplain from Concordia College.





KYB Studies for 2020

- Term 1 – Genesis Part 3 (25-36) Isaac & Sons*
- Term 2- Acts 1-12*
- Term3 – Nehemiah*
- Term4 – Letters of Peter*

KYB Study Dates for 2020 @ Glynde Lutheran Church

Term 1 – Monday 7pm on 10th Feb - 6th.April

Friday 9:30 am on 14th Feb - 3rd April

Term 2 - Monday 7pm on 27th April – 22nd.. June

Friday 9:30 am on 1st. May – 26^h. June

Term3 – Monday 7pm on 20th July - 14th September

Friday 9:30 am on 24th July - 18th. September

Term4 – Monday 7pm on 12th October - 9th November

Friday 9:30 am on 16th October - 13th. November

N.B. All the groups are now at the church

Know Your Bible 2020

Know Your Bible is starting up again for 2020! You are welcome to join one of these Bible study groups with many familiar and some faces that may be new to church members. The studies and dates are as listed above. Each person receives a study book (which comes at a cost for printing), and takes part in Christian fellowship on a weekly basis. Each study lasts for around 1½ -2 hours with a friendly chat over tea or coffee. Come along if you are able or talk to Helene Brown after the first Service.

Goodbye to SANCTAS

SANCTAS, the charity arm of our Sudanese community has finished here at Glynde after many years of raising money for the Sudanese community in Africa.

For Grant and myself, we have been privileged to be a part of this group and wish the community success as they move forward in new ways.

Over the many years we are very proud and honoured to have helped raise funds for schools, sewing machines and cows for villages so that they could start industries. We have also bought canoes and later motors so that people could transport grain, and more importantly themselves to hospital.

Only a couple of years ago, our biggest community program was rescuing people from Juba in South Sudan when fighting broke out and getting them safely to refugee camps over the border. This was a dangerous and scary program but with the help of money from Glynde and many prayers we were successful in helping many escape. We, with the people from villages and camps in South Sudan and Ethiopia thank and praise God for his love, protection and care throughout the years.

Thank you Glynde for being a part of this outreach ministry.

We wish the Sudanese God's blessings as they move forward in new directions and look forward to hearing of the new adventures and stories.

Barbara and Grant Mattiske





**This great Parenting course starts Friday
February 7th at 9.30am at Glynde Lutheran Church**

**It is a fun course! Simple to understand with subtitles!
Offers support in a simple and encouraging way!**

How can we be the parents we want to be?

How and where do we set boundaries? How can we pass on our values?

These are some of the discussion points raised in the course... presented on DVD by Nicky and Sila Lee.

If you have any questions or wish to attend, please speak with Barbara or ring her at the Office Wed – Friday on 8365 3033 or email at barb@glyndechurch.org

**Come for the learning and stay for Coffee and Chat
afterward!**

A creche is provided for the children.

150 Psalms

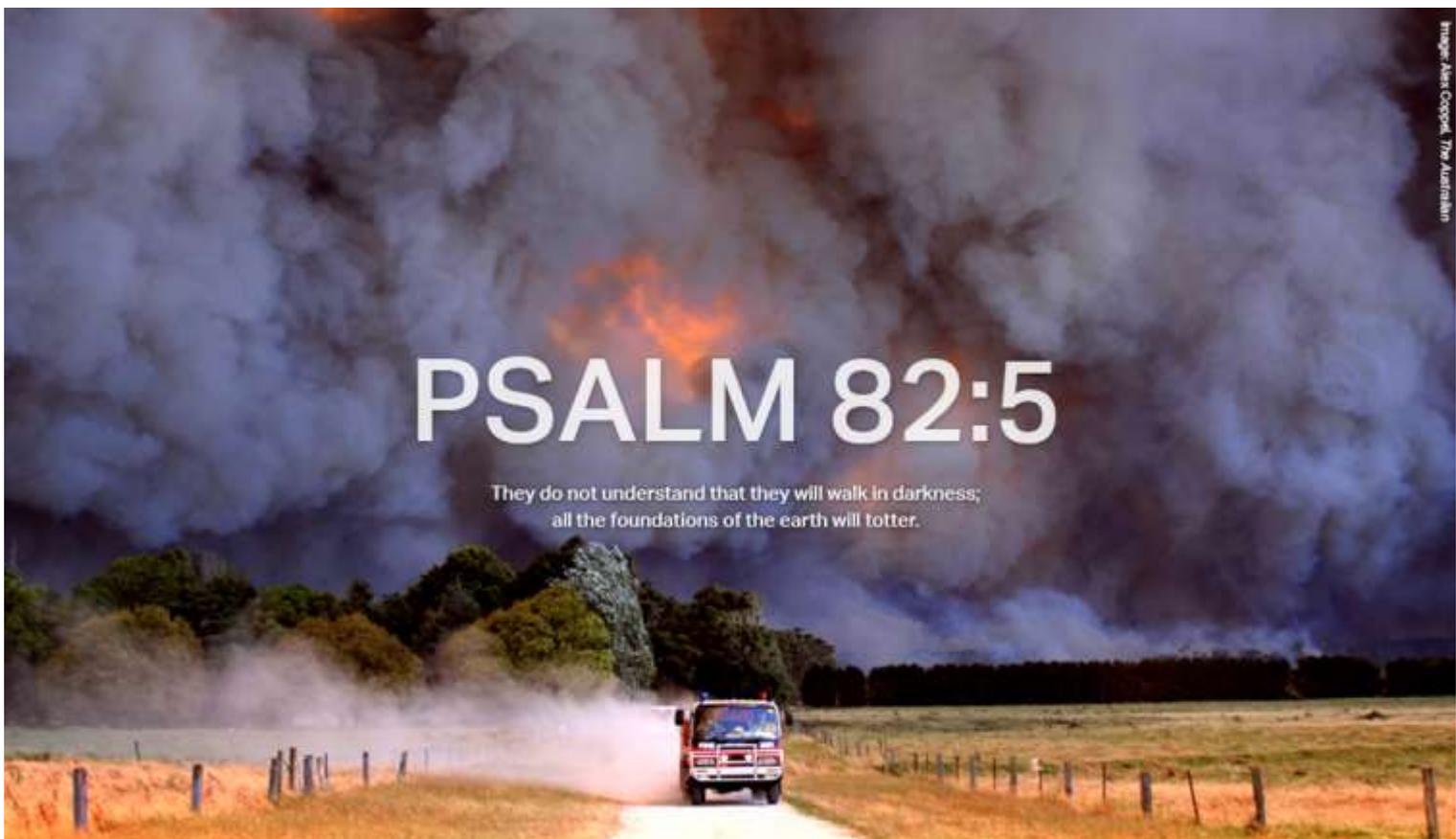
This year starting February 29th through to March 3rd, the **Adelaide Festival** is presenting in 12 concerts entitled **150 Psalms**, conceived in 2017 by the Netherlands Chamber Choir.

150 Psalms is a remarkable banquet of spiritual choral music given by world famous choirs: Netherlands Chamber Choir, The Tallis Scholars, Norwegian Soloists Choir and Australia's finest vocal group, The Song Company.

The concerts will be held either at St Peters Cathedral, Adelaide Hebrew Congregation, Glenside, St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Pilgrim Uniting Church, Flinders Street, or Adelaide Town Hall.

Visit adelaidefestival.com.au for program details, ticket prices etc.

In addition **150 Psalms Exhibition** will be open and FREE of charge from Friday 28th February to Friday 27th March, 9am daily, at QBE Galleries, Adelaide Festival Centre.



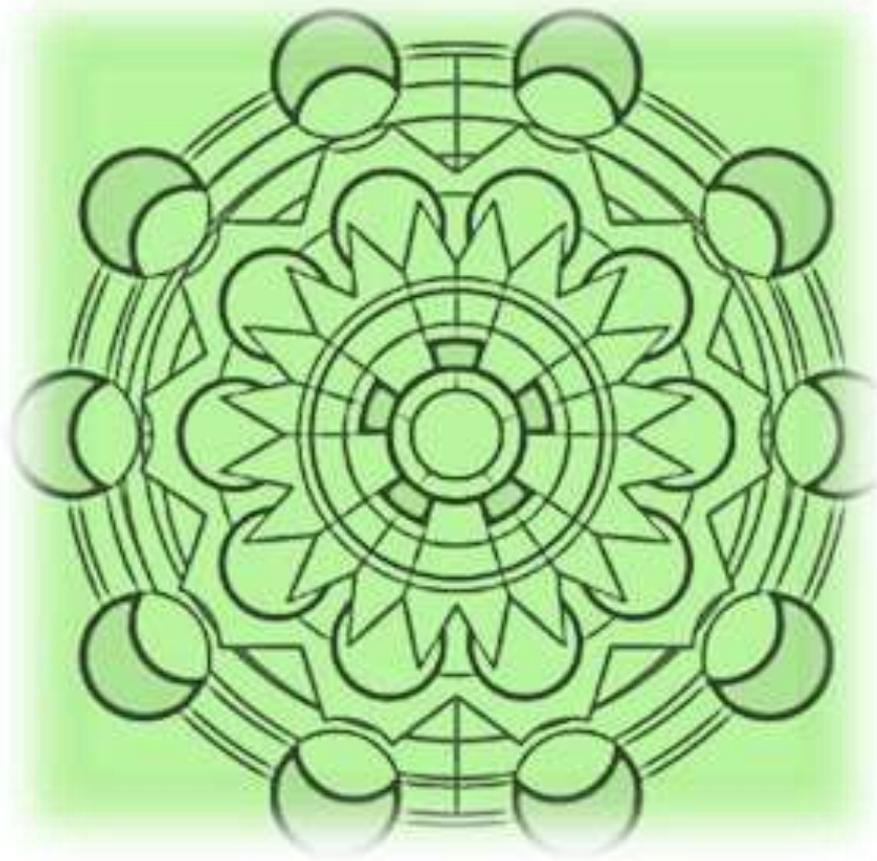
Grace over lunch 2020

Starting at 11am!

Term 1	Activity	Name
<i>January 29</i>	<i>Just come along and bring your lunch!</i>	
February 5	Coconut Roti	Madusha
February 12	Macarons	Yumi
February 19	Thai sausage rolls	Colleen
February 26	Beef noodles	Rui
March 4	Takoyaki	Rika
March 11	German Potato Salad	Sigrid
March 18	Party food day – Easter Wreath	Tony
March 25	Chinese cooking	Mel
April 1	Asian style pies	Tony
April 8	Rocky Road	Dianne

Thank you to everyone for being a part of our Wednesday group. We look forward to a fun term together!

Barbara (ph 0409 09 6661)



FREE Organ Recitals!

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Flinders Street, Adelaide
Saturday, 15th February, at 11:30am

Pastor Stephen van der Hoek, Principal Organist, will give a 30min recital.

Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wakefield Street, Adelaide
Wednesdays, February 19th, March 4th and March 11th, at 1pm

Visiting organists will give Lunchtime Recitals as part of the Adelaide Fringe.

Adelaide Town Hall, 128 King William Street, Adelaide
Wednesday 19th February, at 12:30pm

Hans Uwe Hielscher of Germany will give a Lunchtime recital.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report for the Year to 31 December 2019

	Actual	Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
Collections	\$137,311	\$144,275	(\$6,964)
Building Fund Collection (Inc LCC)	\$67,149	\$45,890	\$21,259
Fundraising	\$9,788	\$13,110	(\$3,322)

Fundraising Outcome for the month

	\$
Wine & Cheese Night	270
	\$
Cherries	517
	\$
Wine Drive	297

Ben Pfitzner,
Treasurer

Bank Accounts for Direct Giving to Glynde Lutheran Church by EFT

	Regular Giving	Building Fund
BSB Number	704-942	704-942
Account Number	48692 S1	152736 S1

Worship Calendar

FEBRUARY

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|-----|--|--------------|---|---|---|
| 2. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m.
12.00 noon
1.00 p.m. | H.C.
H.C. | Epiphany 4
<i>Organ restoration</i>
<i>Leader:</i>
<i>Community Lunch</i>
Vision 2020 (1-3 p.m.) plus wine, cheese | Matthew 5:1-6
"You are really living your life when...." | <i>The two dimensions of the Christian life: Vertical (1)</i> |
| 9. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | | Epiphany 5

<i>*Installation of office bearers & Pastoral Assistants with Special Morning Tea</i> | Matthew 5:7-16 | <i>The two dimensions of the Christian life: Horizontal (2)</i> |
| 16. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | H.C.
H.C. | Epiphany 6 | Matthew 5:38-48 (cf. 6:12,14)
"Vengeance, forgiveness, and justice" | |
| 23. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | H.C.
H.C. | Thanksgiving | <i>Pastor Henry Martinez</i>
Matthew 6:9
"Thank you, God, for being my loving Father" | |
| 26. | 7.00 p.m.
(Wed) | H.C. | Ash Wednesday | "The cross" (ALPHA) | <i>Introducing LENTEN SERIES</i>
ALPHA (Cont.) |

MARCH

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|-----|---------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m.
12.00 noon | H.C.
H.C. | Lent 1

<i>Leader:</i>
<i>Community Lunch</i> | Matthew 26:6-13
"Something beautiful for Jesus" | <i>Jesus' last week (1)</i> |
| 8. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | H.C.
H.C. | Lent 2 | <i>Pastor Henry Martinez</i>
Matthew 26:17-30
"Jesus' Last Supper" | <i>Jesus' last week (2)</i> |
| 15. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | | Lent 3

<i>Baptismal Anniversaries (Jan-March)</i> | Matthew 26:36-46
"Jesus prays in Gethsemane" | <i>Jesus' last week (3)</i> |
| 22. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | H.C.
H.C. | Lent 4 | Matthew 26:47-68
"What stories are you listening to?" | <i>Jesus' last week (4)</i> |
| 29. | 9.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m. | | Lent 5

Church 4 Kids | Matthew 26:69-27:10
"No future without forgiveness" | <i>Jesus' last week (5)</i> |

Christmas Eve Fun!

