

Rosters

15 January, 2017

22 January, 2017

Preacher:	Rev Shin Goo Lee	Graham Smith
Elder:	Norm Johnson	Norm Johnson
Reader:	Peter Roy	Jennifer Reynolds
Stewards/ Welcomers:	Trevor Smith Dennis Kunder	Trevor Smith Tim Klower
Morning Tea:	Jeanette & Peter Roy	Gail/Maata
Cleaning:	Hood/Gregory/ Westley	Reynolds/Murphy
Audio/Video:	John Cameron	John Cameron
Kids' Church Leader:	Julie Hungerford	Julie Hungerford

Regular Activities

Silver Threads	Weekly Tuesday	9.30am
Craft Group	1 st Tuesday of each month	9.30am

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Newsletter contributions to Church Office by Wednesday morning

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MISSION STATEMENT

"We are called to be evidence of God's love, active in our community"

9.30am Service



Rev Shin Goo Lee



PRAYER CHAIN

If you are in need of prayer please ring Ian Bryon on 9624 6197. People on the prayer chain will pray for you.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR

22.01.17

Isaiah 9:1-4
 Psalm 27:1, 4-9
 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
 Matthew 4:12-23

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to Tracey White for 18th and Barbara Harkness for 19th January. We hope you have a great day with family and friends and may God bless you in the year ahead.

CHRISTMAS BOWL APPEAL

"The total amount donated to the Christmas Bowl Appeal 2016 was \$666.55. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously."



OFFERINGS

Detailed below are the collections for the last three Sundays.

25 December 2016

Offering \$425.10 - in addition \$485.00 was credited direct to our bank account.

01 January 2017

Offering \$376.80 - in addition \$60.00 was credited direct to our bank account.

08 January 2017

Offering \$639.35 - in addition \$1100.00 was credited direct to our bank account.



THOUGHTS ON JOHN 1:29-42

When it comes to our relationship with Jesus, our primary job is to see and share. Not threaten, not coerce, not woo or plead, but simply to see and share.

John the Baptist does that here. He sees the dove descend upon Jesus and tells others what he sees. That's it. Andrew later does the same. He tells his brother what he and John's other disciples saw -- the person they believe is the Messiah -- and invites Peter to come along and see for himself.

Could it be that simple? At its heart, evangelism is noticing what God is doing in our lives, sharing that with others, and inviting them to come and see for themselves.

When Jesus notices some of John's disciples following him, he asks them what they are looking for. They, in turn, ask where he is staying. He doesn't give an answer. He doesn't

question further. All he does in response is make an invitation: "Come and see."

Notice. Share. Invite. These are the three elements of evangelism, sharing the good news of what God has done and is still doing through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ for us and all the world.

From the beginning of creation until now, God delights in taking little things -- things the world decides are nothing -- and doing something wonderful through them. So also with our initial attempts to share faith, our tentative ventures into telling others what we've seen and felt. They may feel like very small efforts, yet the God who brought light from darkness and raises the dead to life wants to -- and *will!* -- do marvelous things through them.

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