

Rosters

24 December, 2017

31 December, 2017

Preacher:	Rev Shin Goo Lee	Niuselu Uesi
Elder:	Peter Roy	Norm Johnson
Reader:	Claire Westley	
Stewards/ Welcomers:	Norm Johnson Trevor Smith	Angela Miller Chris Miller
Morning Tea:	Peter Roy	Glynis/Roria
Cleaning:	Murphy/Reynolds	
Musician:	Tracey White	Kevin Harkness
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

31.12.17

Isaiah 61:10- 62:3
 Psalm 148
 Galatians 4:4-7
 Luke 2:22-40

WELCOME

Welcome to our service this morning, please join us for morning tea in the hall after the service.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Our service tomorrow will be at 9.00am and we hope you can join us to celebrate our Saviour's birth.



OFFERINGS

17.12.17 \$520.20.

In addition, \$770.00 was deposited directly into our bank account.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

I visited Sid, Sylvia and Eve with the signed cards and a small gift for each one.

They all wanted to be remembered to the people at Grantham and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year – Norm.

CHRISTMAS BOWL APPEAL

The Christmas Bowl is the Christmas Appeal of Act For Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia.

Envelopes will be available for donations to the Christmas Bowl this morning and tomorrow morning.



OFFICE CLOSURE

Sue will be on leave from 27 December to 3rd January. There will be no newsletter on Sundays 31 December and 7 January.

CHILD CARE CENTRE ROOF

We are replacing the roof on the Child Care Centre over the next few weeks. Work should have commenced this week and be finished by 14th January, so please be aware of this and pray for the process to go well and be completed on time.

ROSTERS FOR 2018

Thank you to those who have volunteered for the rosters so far. There are still a few vacancies if you are able to help.

THOUGHTS ON LUKE 1:26-38

Babies are born into all different kinds of conditions in this world, many of them, like Mary's, less than perfect. And yet, when confronted with this news, she did what all of us must do; she reached deep into her soul and found courage that came from a place beyond her own self, beyond her own limitations and fears, courage that came from her absolute trust in God. Can we be as courageous as Mary? Can her song be our song too? Can we refuse to give into the fear that the world screams constantly into our lives? Can we reject the notion that everything is spinning out of control, and embrace that the world is simply about to turn, just as God intends it?

As we gather to celebrate the birth of our Saviour, let us come with the hope of Joseph, and the joy of Mary, and the curiosity and conviction of the Magi, and the boldness of the shepherds in the field. Let us gather around the manger.

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