

Announcements

December-January editions of ConneXions and Challenge are now available.

Today:

- 9.00-9.20am: Prayer meeting
- 9.30am: worship – Ian Touzel
- 10.45am: Congregational meeting
- 'Bring & share' lunch will follow.
- 5.30pm: evening fellowship – Gary Ware.
- Gary Ware is at Naracoorte PC.

Congregational meeting: immediately after morning worship next Sunday 4th December for the purpose of receiving the proposed 2012 budget.

'**Bring & share**' lunch will follow the congregational meeting. Please join us.

Tear Fund 2011: the Tear Shop is open today, then next Lord's Day.

Contact Shana Morgan with any questions or queries on P: 8724 9941.

Monday: 9.00am – Womens' growth group at Allison St.. 7.30pm – Session meets at 35 Penola Rd, Tarpeena.

Thursday: 6.30pm – Growth group at 12 Tallarook Crt. (Peter & Sally Duffet P: 8724 9375).

Friday: 10.30am – Bible study at Allison St..

Next Lord's Day:

- 9.00-9.20am: Prayer meeting
- 9.30am: worship – Ian Touzel
- 11.15am All age Sunday School
- 5.30pm: evening fellowship – Gary Ware. A light meal will follow.

Blue Lake Carols: 8.15pm Sunday next Sunday at the Cave Gardens.

All Age Sunday School concludes next Lord's Day and resumes on 5th February.

Albany Presbyterian Church, the newest PCA church in Western Australian is purchasing a church building for \$650,000. You can support our gift of \$1000 by placing an envelope in the offering marked "Albany PC".

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...growing God's family...

Lord's Day, December 4, 2011 AD

How Will It End?

1 Thessalonians 4: 13 – 18

"Welcome", as you worship with us today

Order of Service

*Please speak to God before the service and to everyone else afterward.
Those who are able are invited to stand for the items marked **

9.20am Prelude to Worship

Gathering God's People

Tell out my soul

Your dwelling place, LORD (Psalm 84)

*Lord, I lift your name on high

Announcements: Roger Bannister

9.30am Worship

Call to worship:

Responding To God's Presence

***Prayer of Confession:**

Song of Assurance: There is a Redeemer

/over...

***Assurance:** Isaiah 53: 6
All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned
- every one - to his own way; and the LORD has
laid on him the iniquity of us all.

***Affirming our Faith:** Ephesians 2: 4 - 10

***Praise:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Experiencing God's Word

Bible Reading: Isaiah 30:1-17
Oracles of woe against those who seek help from
Egypt rather than from the LORD.

***Praise:** God is our strength and refuge

Bible Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Sermon: *How Will it End* – Ian Touzel

1. **The problem: bereavement.**
2. **The antidote: the Gospel.**
3. **The truth: a common hope.**
4. **The future: unfolded.**
5. **The purpose: encouragement.**

Responding To God's Grace

How does God want me to respond to His word?

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer: Roger Bannister

Tithes & free will offerings

Visitors are not obligated to give an offering. Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

Blessing

*** Praise:** All my days (Beautiful Saviour)

Next Lord's Day:

- Continuous reading plan: Isaiah 30:18-33
- Passage for preaching: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
- Songs: Give thanks; See him coming; Father, we come to you now (Revive us); O come, O come, Immanuel; Come now, almighty King; Blessed is the man (Rejoice! 428)

Words Worth Thinking About

"The true Scriptural source of consolation, in the face of all that troubles us, is to keep steadily before our eyes the second coming of Christ.

We must grasp and realize the blessed fact that the rightful King of the world is returning soon, and shall have His own again; that He shall put down that old usurper, the devil, and take away the curse from off the earth.

Let us cultivate the habit of daily looking forward to the resurrection of the dead, the gathering together of the saints, the restitution of all things, the banishment of sorrow and sin, and the re-establishment of a new kingdom, of which the rule shall be righteousness.

— J. C. Ryle "Looking Unto Jesus"

<http://firstimportance.org/2010/02/waiting-for-christ-return/>