

## Notices

- **The Annual General Meeting** of St Edward's will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> November following the 10 am service at 11:30 am. **There will be a BBQ following the AGM.**
- **If you would like your name listed on the church's membership roll**, please fill in a form this Sunday and the next. Forms are available from Rob.
- **A draft of the rosters for December is now available.** Please indicate on it and/or to Jenny Lynch or Rob if you will be available for certain dates. Also, a reminder that new rosters are available in the narthex for November.
- **The Angel Tree by Prison Fellowship** is being run again this year. Please bring children's toys unwrapped or a monetary donation by Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. Enquires to Beth or Alan.
- **The Indonesian magnitude 7.5 earthquake** and tsunami which devastated Central Sulawesi province on Sept. 28, 2018, caused widespread destruction and loss of life. Over 2,000 people are estimated to have died. Rubble must be removed, traumatised people must be cared for and orphaned children kept safe. Health care is paramount as rebuilding will be a slow task. If you want to give Liz Helmond has recommended you give to Medicine Sans Frontier.
- **Freddie Dixon has changed his phone number.** It is now 0487 206 878. Please update your phone and also your church directory.
- **Bush Church Aid boxes can now be returned** to Stephen or Marilyn Smith. Thanks.

## Prayers of the people

Prayer requests –Please let Beth Gibbs or Liz Helmond know.

- For the conversational English classes that they will slowly increase in numbers and have an impact on the lives of those attending.
- Trish Phyland who is recovering from a crushed big toe and now back at home.
- Pauline Robertson is at home and resting from her cracked vertebrae. She has been slowly improving.
- Hyacinth Andrews recovering from cataract surgery and also Dawn Webb-Johnson who also has had eye surgery.
- Katrina's sister who has returned home but needs support. Thank God for the renewed energy and healing Katrina has received from her sore back.

**Please pray for the work of Michael, Melanie & Aaron Viljoen** – Wycliffe Bible Translators in Cameroon.

## Welcome to St Edward's

It seems Halloween has become a new 'festival' of 'innocent' fun. Halloween is loosely based on the Medieval Christian festival of 'All Hallows Eve' which falls on 31<sup>st</sup> October. The festival itself is an adaption of the pagan Celtic belief that on one night of the year, the dead came out of the ground to dance with the living. However, in most Protestant churches, October 31<sup>st</sup>, is remembered as the day when in 1517 Martin Luther nailed a document attacking the Catholic Church's corrupt practice of selling "indulgences" to absolve sin. Known as his "95 Theses" (which means propositions), Luther proposed two central beliefs—that the Bible is the central religious authority and that humans may receive salvation as a gift of God, only by their faith in God's work, and not by their own deeds.

Luther's views sparked a series of 'reformations' in the European Church which led to the formation of Protestant denominations and also the reform of the Roman Catholic Church. Although these ideas had been advanced before, particularly by John Wycliffe (English), and Jan Hus (Czech). Luther's writings changed the course of religious and cultural history in the West. He had said what everyone else was thinking but dared not say.

Key among Luther's views is an individual can experience God's grace freely, through faith in the death and resurrection of Christ. Salvation did not rest on what we did for God or our ability to keep the Law of God, but on what Christ had done for us by his own death. It was Christ's righteousness, not ours, that is credited to us and it is this that we put our faith in and sets us free from the guilt of our sin.

The Reformations were not the result of political issues, or even Henry VIII's need of a divorce, although they play their part in the background. The issue was then and remains still, a spiritual crisis: how can we find God's forgiveness and experience his love unconditionally? The answer is in the cross of Christ. "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." (2 Cor 5:21) When we trust in what God did in Christ, we are justified, saved and regenerated by his Spirit a 'new creation'.

## St Edward's Anglican Church

**4<sup>th</sup> November 2018**  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after**  
**Pentecost**

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8 am & 10 am.

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## Verse of the Day

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us  
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”  
(2 Cor 5:21)

## Prayer of the Day

God of peace,  
you taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved,  
in quietness and confidence shall be our strength:  
by the power of your Spirit  
lift us to your presence,  
where we may be still and know that you are God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Ministry of the Word

New Testament	Romans 1:1-17	(p. 1128)
Psalm	146	(APBA, 377)
Gospel	Mark 12:13-17, 28-34	(p. 1017)

## Hymns

137 “For the beauty of the earth” (314 Dix)  
534 “Love is his word” (vss 1-5)  
205 “Join all the glorious names” (371 Darwall)

## 10 AM (Holy Communion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Order, APBA, p.119)

### Gathering in God’s name

Verse of the Day  
Hymn MP 1086 “Light of the world”

Prayer of Preparation (APBA, p. 119)

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The Nicene Creed		(APBA, p. 123)

### Sermon

Hymn MP 476 “My Lord, what love is this”

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Prayers of the people & the Lord’s Prayer (p. 124)

Confession and Absolution (pp. 125-127)

Hymn MP 1109 “Thank you for the cross Lord”

Holy Communion – Thanksgiving 2 (APBA, p. 130)

Prayer after communion: p. 143 (a)

Hymn 245 “We have a gospel to proclaim”

### Sending out of God’s people