

Prayer

Prayer Points

- for families who have not yet heard the gospel.
- for the many Australian farmers experiencing drought.
- for our brothers and sisters in Christ, that they may stand firm in Christ
- for persecuted Christians around the world

Connect Card & Submitted Prayer Requests

- For the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Myanmar (Lutheran Bethlehem Church) and our partnership in the gospel with them.
- Thank you God that you are always with us and helping us to do your will.
- Thank you for our children and families. Thank you for all we have. Please be with all recovering from surgery and illness please help them rest and recover.
- For those in our church family suffering stress and overcome by life problems - comfort & strength.

General Prayers

Please continue praying for

- the Pastors, staff team and leaders of the Church
- all upcoming meetings around the Church
- worship services across all our locations (beforehand and as they take place)
- specific events as they arise (i.e. funerals, weddings, baptisms etc.)

Stay Connected

Want to know more about Jesus? Head to 'Next Steps' on our website: www.ipswich.church or alternatively, speak to one of our pastors. We would love to hear from you and help you if you want to continue in your faith walk, learning more about our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Guests – we trust that you have drawn closer to God in worship today. Our church is blessed by your presence today. Please stay and enjoy a 'cuppa' with us after worship and make yourself known to us. We'd love to answer any queries you may have, and be able to bless you with a special welcome pack & gift – just for you!

Help Us To Care - if you know of someone who has fallen ill or who is suffering in any way, please let the Pastoral Care Coordinator or one of the Pastors know by contacting the parish office so that appropriate care and follow up can occur.

Looking for Christian Education? – We are blessed to be able to partner with Bethany Lutheran Kindergarten (86 Raceview Street, Raceview Ph: 3294 0024) and Bethany Lutheran Primary School (126 Cascade Street, Raceview Ph: 3288 8799 www.bethany.qld.edu.au) as they provide quality Christian education to the children and families of our city.



*Worship
Times*

8am
St. John's
*(32 Roderick St.
Ipswich)*

9am
Bethany
*(86 Raceview St.
Raceview)*

9.30am
St. John's
*(32 Roderick St.
Ipswich)*

10am
Grace
*(19 Ipswich Rd.
Riverview)*

WEEKLY BULLETIN – 12th AUGUST 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR...

As we head towards the end of winter and into the freshness of spring, it seems appropriate that we begin our new series, "This we believe". We will explore and refresh our minds of the very foundations of our Christian beliefs and values.

This week is the first of three weeks exploring *The Apostles Creed* and the foundational truths of our faith expressed therein.



I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What a statement! Everybody *believes* in something. And what we *believe* in matters because it shapes our personal value system, from which we live out of and respond from. As a Christian I, as part of the body of Christ, as a member of the church family, *believe* in God. I/we believe therefore that there is a God. What kind of God? A God who is a Father, a good father, an Almighty father. A God who, furthermore, is a Creator God, who made everything, including me and the world I am in.

Knowing that this is true and why this is true and how everyone is searching for this truth, whether they are aware of it yet or not, matters. So join us this Sunday, and for the rest of the series, as we explore the foundations of our faith, the very existence of God and reasons for our belief in the triune God of the Bible, and what that means for us in our everyday life.

Pastor Roelof




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Series: **This We Believe**

Week One: "God Created"

| Upcoming Dates

Sun	12/08	All Locations	This We Believe Series - Week Two "God Redeemed"
Thu	23/08	Raceview	Men's Shed
Wed	29/08	Bethany	Mid-week Holy Communion Service - 9.30am
Fri-Sun	14-16/09	Coolum	Replenish Women's Retreat

| Today

Thank You to the lay leaders, Martin, Amy and Stephen for leading our service this weekend.

Thank You to the Year 6 class, from Bethany Primary school, and their teachers Joshua Pacek & Michael Godfrey for sharing God's message with us this weekend.

| Happenings & Notices

Bethany Lutheran Church Raceview Half Yearly Meeting will be held on the 19th of August after the Bethany Worship Service.

Joy Raatz's 70th Birthday Joy is an open day for her 70th Birthday party at 115 North Station Road, Booval, 10am-3pm, Thursday 16th August. Come help Joy celebrate her 70th Birthday and the launching of her own brand of essential oils "Oils of Joy". Coffee at Tea will be available in the morning and a Sausage sizzle will be from 12:30pm-2pm.

Men's Shed is coming up on the 23rd of August at Our Shed, Bethany School Grounds. Guest speaker, Dennis Ellis will be speaking about Men's Health. BBQ dinner provided!

Favoured –Peter Steicke Books & Blogs To access/purchase Peter Steicke's books 'Suddenly' and 'Favoured', and blogs, visit <https://incrediblyloved.com/> . Free chapters of 'Favoured' can be obtained by subscribing in the 'blog' section. For more information or assistance, please email the church office.

Replenish Women's Retreat, Coolum 14-16th September registrations are still open! Tickets are \$150, which food, accommodation, champagne upon arrival and an optional itinerary. Feel free to invite other women, friends or family. To register go to www.lyq.org.au/replenish.

Lutheran Youth Queensland has a job vacancy for a 12month maternity contract as an events coordinator. Applications close 23rd of August. For more information visit www.lyq.org.au/careers.

Christian Religious Instruction (CRI) are looking for more instructors and assistants to volunteer at Brassall State School. Many children are missing out on the support they receive from these sessions due to the lack of volunteers. If you'd like to enquire, help or volunteer, please email suzie@cri-network.org.au.

New staff member we are excited to announce that Josh Jaeschke will be joining our church team on the Monday, 13th of August as both a youth worker and a chaplain. We are excited to see how God will use him to impact our youth, so please make him feel welcome!

Volunteering opportunities As usual, we have many opportunities for members to use their gifts to serve and bless others. Some areas of need include: volunteers to help with the music during the worship service, children/youth ministry leaders and pastoral care visitors (for those who are sick or 'shut-ins'). Feel free to email info@ipswich.church if you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions.

Favoured Survey We now have opened a survey for those who attend the Favoured Conference. We'd love to hear your feedback, so if you attended but haven't received an email about this yet, and would like to have your say, please email the church office.

Email Address Changes If you can please update your email address contacts with the following:

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Pastor Roelof Buitendag: roelof.buitendag@ipswich.church

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Betty Taylor: betty.taylor@ipswich.church

Office Hours Currently, Monday to Friday 9am – 3pm the office is open. We are looking to review these hours over the next few weeks.