

Prayer

Prayer Points

- for our members, that we would spread the gospel with love and boldness
- for world leaders who are Christian, that they may be strengthened
- for those who are part of cults, that they may see the true message of Christ
- for the family of Don Camp, as they mourn his loss

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 – 26th AUGUST 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR...

We are into Week 3 of our series 'This We Believe' today, and as we continue looking at an Ancient Faith, Living Creed – we are today looking at the third part of this, which is about the God who supports life.

For it is the same God who created life that supports life each and every day for us.

And as we say 'I believe in the Holy Spirit' it almost sounds like the topic of a scary story or some unbelievable lie – especially when you think that we used to call it the 'Holy Ghost'!

And the Holy Spirit is mysterious. But he is not some strange force that can be somehow measured like electricity, although He is power. He is not a substance that can be placed into a test tube and measured, though He can be 'seen'. He cannot be detected by the five senses, yet He can be felt.

But we read about the Holy Spirit at work, and He is at work when we read the Bible. He appears at the beginning of all things in the creation story as the world is created, and he has continued working, and is still working in people to fill them with the power and the life of God. So when you say 'I believe' – be ready: big things can begin to happen!

God Bless your week,
Pastor Ben



Series: **This We Believe**
Week Three: "God Supports Life"

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| Upcoming Dates

Sun	02/09	All Locations	Father's Day Service
Wed	29/08	Raceview	Mid-week Holy Communion Service - 9.30am
Wed	29/08	Ropeley	Women's Guild Fellowship Event
Sun	09/09	Raceview	Traditional Service 7:30
Fri-Sun	14/09-16/09	Coolum	Replenish Women's Retreat
Thu	27/09	Flinders View	Men's Shed

| Today

Thank You to Ipswich Central layreaders Stephen Wood and Angela Jacob for leading worship today.

Thank you Bethany Lutheran Primary School teachers Ms. Gray and Miss. Hughes, and their prep class for sharing their faith with us today, at Raceview.

| Happenings & Notices

Connect Cards We are no longer using connect cards to record attendance. Please only use them if you are new, have any prayer requests or any questions.

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.

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. This survey will close the 7th of September.

Traditional Service, Raceview is being held on the 9th of September, 7:30am. Morning tea afterwards at Cascade Gardens Community Hall. Please bring a small plate to share. Email Gayle: berys.green@hotmail.com for more information.

For more details on any of these notices, please email info@ipswich.church, or call 3202 4035.

Women's Guild will be meeting for a Fellowship Day, at Ropeley Lutheran Church on Wednesday the 29th of August, at 9:00am- 2:30pm. Morning tea is provided upon arrival, followed by a devotional by Peter Geyer, and a message by guest speaker Pastor August Fricke. Bring your bible and your own lunch. All women are welcome!

Replenish Women's Retreat, Coolum 14-16th September registrations are still open! Tickets are \$150, which includes 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.

Men's Shed Hot Rods, Classic Cars, Pioneering Tools! That's what will be on display at our next Shed night on the 27th of September. Come and join us as we travel off site to a nearby residence to hear the men from "Rod Squad" talk about a 1937 Buick and their other hot rods plus talk a bit about a collection of Pioneering tools including Cross cut saws! Pizzas will be provided on the night for a small donation. For more information, contact Will Milligan on 0427 793 338.

Fair God with Religious Freedom Tour is being held on the 2nd of September 2pm & 7pm at 169 Blackstone Rd, Ipswich at the Silkstone Baptist Church. This tour seeks to encourage and enable church groups to engage with and influence policy makers, as the Federal Government will soon be reviewing the status of religious freedom in Australia.

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 Josh Jaeschke has officially joined our church team as our youth worker! Please make him feel welcome, and take a moment to introduce yourself as you see him around, so he can get to know people as quickly as possible. To help him, please remember to also wear your name tag (which can be ordered by emailing info@ipswich.church). Josh can also be contacted via josh.jaeschke@ipswich.church

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 welcome/usher, morning tea volunteers 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.

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