

WEEKLY BULLETIN - 23rd September 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR...

Today we enter into the next part of our series 'This We Believe' as we start looking at the Lord's Prayer.

And so far we have heard what we should do and what we should believe in the Apostle's Creed and the 10 Commandments because, as Martin Luther puts it: "These things make up the best and happiest life".

This third part of the series focusses on how we pray. Therefore knowing what to pray for and how to pray, Jesus himself has taught us the way and what words to use as we will see over the coming weeks.

And the Lord's Prayer starts by addressing God as 'Our Father' and when we call on his name it is the same as to pray, either this prayer, or any prayer. We have God's word that he really likes our prayers, and that he will certainly answer them and give us what we ask for.

How easy God wants it to be for us to talk to Him! It is so important for both the redeemed and the Redeemer, the creature and the Creator, the sanctified and the Sanctifier, to have and use a medium of communication.

God knows this. He wants us to know it too.

So when you pray, let's learn what it means to believe in the prayer Jesus prayed and instructed us to pray when he says, "Pray like this... "



God bless, Pastor Ben



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Mon : 11am-3pm Tue-Thu: 9am-3pm Fri: 9am-2pm

Series: This We Believe

Week Six: God is a Good Father

Bible Reading: Matt 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-13

| Upcoming Dates

Wed	26/09	Raceview	Mid-Week Service 9:30am
Thu	27/09	Flinders View	Men's Shed
Sun	30/09	All Locations	This we Believe Series, Week 7 God has a Kingdom
Sun	21/10	All Locations	Thanks Giving

| Today

Thank you to Amy Little for leading worship at Bethany Worship Centre (Raceview).

| Happenings & Notices

Myanmar Mission Trip Our next trip is on the 3 -11 April and will be an amazing opportunity for people from the church (maybe even you) to come and be immersed in the frontline of mission work in this country. It is an opportunity to learn, grow and share Jesus with a group of people who do not yet know him. To express interest, please visit <http://ip.org.au/2018/08/28/myanmar-mission-2019/>.

Men's Shed Hot Rods, Classic Cars, Pioneering Tools! That's what will be on display at our next Shed night on the 27 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.

Vacancy Bethany School Council This is a voluntary position which offers an opportunity to gain education development and governance experience. Meetings are only monthly, with some one-off decision discussions exceptions. People with professional, management, human resources, marketing, legal or governance experience are best suited for the position. To enquire, please email schoolcouncil@bethany.qld.edu.au

Operation Christmas Child at All Locations (Bethany, Grace and St John's) On Sunday, 14 October, we are blessing the boxes for Operation Christmas Child. You can fill a box (please bring your box on this day), donate money for a box, or donate \$10 postage, or pray. There are folded boxes, prayer bookmarks and pamphlets at the back of the church. For more information on how to bless children in need, or a list of acceptable items, please contact info@ipswich.church, or visit www.samaritanspurse.org.au.

Thanksgiving Sunday! This year, Thanksgiving Sunday is on the 21 October at all locations. On this Sunday, not only do we focus our thoughts on gratitude, but we are having a special offering for our Food Pantry ministry for those who are in need. We encourage you to buy food items that are on our list of approved items for the bags we give out, and bring them on this day. To receive a list, please email info@ipswich.church.

Robin Mann Concert Robin Mann is coming to St John's Worship Centre, on the 16 November, 7pm to perform a collection of some of his most loved Christian songs. More details, including how to purchase tickets will be advised soon.

Prayer Haven is in recess from Friday 21 September. It will resume after the school holidays, on the 9 October. If you'd like more information on Prayer Haven, or would like to participate, please email info@ipswich.church for more information.

Kalbar Lutheran Ladies Guild Fashion Parade is being held on the 1:30pm, 13 October, by the Vault, Boonah. There will be a afternoon tea provided, a lucky door prize a raffle. To RSVP, call Lorraine on 5463 7247 or Ivy 5463 7222. \$8 admission.

Salvation Army Fashion Parade is being held at 2pm, 20 October, at the Salvation Army, Ipswich on the corner of South & Ellenborough Streets. Morning tea is also provided, and clothes will be available for purchase. To RSVP, call Delva 0435055609. \$6 admission.

Job Vacancy LYQ Luminate Coordinator LYQ is seeking to appoint a part-time (0.7FTE) *Luminate Coordinator* to lead their exciting Luminate Gap Year ministry for young adults (17-22) that mixes formal learning, ministry training and experiences. To find out more visit www.lyq.org.au/careers. Applications close **Friday 28 September 2018**. The position commences 1 December 2018.

Professional Standards Training Ipswich Lutheran Church will subsidise 100% of the cost for members, volunteers and leaders who are involved in ministry to complete their Professional Standards Training. If you are currently serving, it is more than likely you will be required to attend this training. If you're unsure, please email the office. Several locations are available, but we will be holding our very own training session here at Bethany (Raceview) on the 27 October. Registrations close 20 October.

Assist Drought Affected Farmers If you would like to help drought affected farmers digitally, we are connecting with Care Outreach, Ltd, which is a not for profit Christian organisation that has been supporting farmers for 25years. 100% of funds donated to their Disaster Assistance Account are converted into food vouchers for local/rural businesses. If you would like to make a donation cash, or digitally please contact the church office, or visit <https://careoutreach.com.au/care-outreach-drought-appeal/>

Volunteering opportunities As usual, we have many opportunities for members to use their gifts to serve and bless others. If you have a hidden talent, a passion for people, music, cooking, serving etc . email the church office at info@ipswich.church to enquire how you can use it to bless others

Bulletins Past bulletins from the last 2 weeks can be found at the back of church.

Prayer

Prayer Points

- for those in authoritative or leadership positions, that they may not act in selfish ambition.
- for members, that our motives for sharing the gospel would be pure, and selfless.
- for businesses, that they will act honourably towards their workers.
- for families who suffer at the hands of dictators, that God would provide comfort, strength and wisdom in those times.

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

- the Pastors, staff team and leaders of 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: 3288 8799 www.bethany.qld.edu.au) 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)