# **29<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

# Gelorup Anglican Community Church The Chapel of St Francis & St Clare Jenour Court Gelorup 6230



Sharing Christ Together

# "Nothing is so awful that you can't talk with someone about it" Kids helpline 1800 55 1800

Happy birthday

May 1<sup>st</sup> Marion

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Weekly Prayer Chain

This week please pray for the Partridge family



Mission Giving 2018

10% of all offertories will go to missions
Jan/Feb – Anglicord \$349.48
March – YouthCARE \$142.80

**Bible Study Groups** 

Thursday 2pm – Bett 9795 8771 Wednesday 7.30pm - Rob 0429005807

Prayer at the time of choosing a Bishop

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this diocese a shepherd after your own heart who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. So may your Church be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Income/expenses March 2018

Total income \$1428.00 Expenses \$7721.75 Less \$6293.75

NB:-Expenses included \$1000 for St Mark's (Kenya)Appeal following a fire and an annual contribution to YouthCARE of \$5000.

#### Youth Service & BBQ

Our Youth led service will be held TODAY, followed by a social BBQ – Please stay ©



#### May and beyond...

## Prayer gathering

Before the first service of each month at 9am for 10-15 minutes -6<sup>th</sup> May

Next Council Meeting Tues 8th May 6pm

#### Men's Cursillo

The weekend will follow the shortened version as per the woman's weekend in 2017. It will be held at BCGS. The dates are:-

Friday July 6 — Sunday July 8, 2018 Ask Doug for more information

Articles for next newsletter email barbara.mcdowell@bigpond.com and if you would like the newsletter via email, please send your email address.

# **Contacts:**

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Direct debit offerings: Gelorup Anglican Community Church: BSB & Account Number: 036-810 300031586

Please consider prayerfully the amount you would like to give. Thank you for supporting the church!

Fifth Sunday of Easter 29th April 2018

# 1st Reading - Acts 8.26-40

- <sup>26</sup> Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.)
- <sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship
- <sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.
- <sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.'
- <sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?'
- <sup>31</sup> He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.
- <sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.
- <sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'
- <sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?'
- <sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.
- <sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?'
- <sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.
- <sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.
- <sup>40</sup> But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good **news to all the** towns until he came to Caesarea.

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 22.26-32

- <sup>26</sup> From you springs my praise in the great congregation: I will pay my vows in the sight of all that fear you;
- <sup>27</sup> The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied: **and those who seek the Lord shall praise him may their hearts rejoice for ever!**
- <sup>28</sup> Let all the ends of the earth remember and turn to the Lord: **and let all the families of the nations worship before him.**
- <sup>29</sup> For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he shall be ruler over the nations.
- <sup>30</sup> How can those who sleep in the earth do him homage: or those that descend to the dust bow down before him?
- <sup>31</sup> But he has saved my life for himself: and my posterity shall serve him.
- <sup>32</sup> This shall be told of my Lord to a future generation: and his righteousness declared to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 John 4.7-21

<sup>7</sup> Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. <sup>9</sup> God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. <sup>13</sup> By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. <sup>14</sup> And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. <sup>15</sup> God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. <sup>16</sup> So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. <sup>17</sup> Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. <sup>18</sup> There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. <sup>19</sup> We love because he first loved us. <sup>20</sup> Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. <sup>21</sup> The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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# The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 15.1-8, Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹ 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. ² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ¹ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁶ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. For the Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**