



Church of Christ Bassendean Inc.

# The Contact

*We warmly welcome you as you  
worship with us today.*

**26th May 2019**

## TODAY'S MESSAGES

**Worship Service:** Hebrews 2: 5 - 13 Ian Kirk  
**10am** "Christ Our Brother"  
**Evening Service:** 2 Chronicles 32: 1 - 8 Ian Kirk  
**6pm** "Hezekiah's Reliance and Request"

## Dates to Remember

**Fri 31st - Mon 3 Jun**  
State Youth Games

### Sat 8th June

Men's Fellowship  
Dinner

### Sun 9th June

Pentecost Service

### Sat 15th June

Women's Luncheon

## The Pruning

*"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, so that it will be even more fruitful."* John 15: 1,2

My brother and I were at it again last weekend; with chainsaws in hand we pruned the two large flame trees

at the front of our church property. But why were we pruning these magnificent old trees? Recently, we had two large branches fall down from them. As we cut up the fallen branches, we found that the top section of both trees had rotten and diseased branches that were ready to break off and fall. So, because of the danger they imposed, we ended up doing a serious prune. What about your life? Do you need a prune? You may not be an old tree, but often we have rotten and diseased parts in our life. We have behaviours and habits, attitudes and traits that are unsightly and damaging.

In John 15, in a parable about a vine, Jesus spoke of the need for us to be pruned. He said he was the life-giving vine, that we are the branches (if we are connected to him) and that God is the gardener who prunes the branches – not just cutting out unsightly rotten and diseased sections, but doing it to make the branches more fruitful.

I love this parable. Like a branch, I need Jesus to supply me with life and vitality, and I need God to prune me and make me fruitful. Is this not something we all have need of?  
 Ian Kirk—for Echo Community Newspaper

## Prayer Points

- For the State Youth Games next weekend. Pray for our team as they travel down & for the leaders as they guide and give spiritual input into the lives of the young people. Pray also for the public rally, that Christ would be honoured and young people would be faithfully pointed to Him.
- For the two kids clubs we run; at Anzac Terrace & Eden Hill primary schools.

## Prayer Points continued...

- For the newly elected Federal parliament that they would steer our country towards God-honouring laws, and for our prime minister that he would lead our country well with his Christian conviction.
- For Kevin & Sam Taffurelli, following Kevin's baptism on Sunday. Praise God for carrying them both through their trials throughout the last year.
- For Hazel Perkins, who is recovering from a very bad cold.
- For Sarah McTear, who has been seriously unwell recently, and is now in hospital. Pray for physical relief from pain, & for results of a recent CT scan.
- For Judy Lester, who will be undergoing a knee operation this week.
- For those unwell and/or recovering, and for their families: Janine East, Rod Vladich, John Blitvich, Sherri Tilbrook, Bobby Hall, Douglas McQue and Bryce Wells.
- For the Church Board, who have their monthly meeting tomorrow evening.
- For Rod and Maddie as they care for Piper and adjust with the arrival of their new beautiful baby boy Fletcher.
- For the aged care ministries we do, and for the start of a new one at Ritcher Lodge on Wed the 5<sup>th</sup> June (this is where a number of our elderly folk reside).
- For Elise Long as she travels around our state sharing about the Lord's work in the Palawan area in the Philippines, and for Jessie, one of the young men Elise has mentored, who is not going too well spiritually.
- For Niloo and Maneli, as her lawyer progresses her application for a protection visa.
- For the combined Pentecost service at Basso on Sun evening the 9<sup>th</sup> June.

## Meeting after Church Today

You are invited to attend a Special Meeting after the morning service today, starting at 12 noon, for a presentation of the Building plans to extend the Chapel capacity of our church. There will be opportunity to ask questions, and will be followed by several weeks of consultation, allowing time for prayer and consideration. We encourage all to attend and be involved in the decisions for the future of our church—From the Building Committee.

## State Youth Games (SYG) 2019

SYG is on this coming long weekend! We would love prayer for this event, and are also looking for adult volunteers for the weekend, and snacks/treats to take down and share with the team. Please see Rhys or Jenni Vallance for more info or if you are able to help.

## Men's Fellowship Dinner

Saturday 8th June • 7pm • \$5 • Basso Church

The Men are getting together for a pizza and Board Games night on Saturday 8th June. Cost of \$5 covers pizza and drinks—BYO snacks. Please see Rhys Vallance or Rod Manton if you want to come along.

### Just a reminder...

The Carpenter's Workshop is open this coming Saturday 2nd June 9am til noon.

### Pentecost Sunday Service

Sunday 9th June • 6pm • Basso Church

Our annual combined churches Pentecost Sunday service will this year be held at Basso. People from local churches will come and share with us, as we together, rejoice in the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of Christ's church. Please set this date aside and come to this special service.

We will also be having a supper after the service. If you are able to bring a plate to share, that would be most appreciated!

### Women to Women's Luncheon

Saturday 15th June • 11am • \$5 • Basso Church

Our next Women's meeting will be a Soup Lunch Event at our church. Flora MacDonald will be our guest Speaker. Tickets will go on sale in the church foyer at the end of May. See Amy Street, Lois Host or Colleen Kirk for more details.

### Upcoming Community Events—see notice board for more details on each:

Connections Counselling Perth are running a Parenting Workshop over two weekends, Saturday 15th and 22nd June. "Being and Emotional Coach".

Pregnancy Problem House have their 8<sup>th</sup> annual fundraising "Sparkle For Life" Gala Dinner on Saturday, 15 June at The Rise in Maylands. The keynote speaker is Nick Marvin, former CEO of the Perth Wildcats, the Western Force and World Series Rugby.

"David: Warrior, Shepherd, Poet, King" - Bible Conference Perth are holding this series on the evenings of Thurs 27 June and Fri 28 June.

**Fundraising for Impact Africa:** This year's team are raising funds by selling the Entertainment Book for only \$70, with \$14 going directly towards these projects. Please see Graeme Jacques if you are interested in ordering a copy.

### Mission Murmuring

**MECO AUSTRALIA**, write "Women of the Middle East" where they face daily challenges and discrimination. This affects their education, employment and family life. They are left unsupported and unprotected in a male dominated society. Freedoms and attitude vary from Kuwait, where women can vote, to Iran where women are unable to work, or travel without a man's permission. In refugee camps, women show strength and fortitude holding their families together, while men are away, absent or dead. They are the glue that holds communities together. Read heroic stories from unheard voices. Be challenged by their dreams and aspirations, and hear of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, who gives them strength to carry on.

**Happy Birthday to those celebrating this week**, including Steve Obourne (27th), Vera Eatwell (29th), Tony Ferrante and Joanne Stewart (both on 30th), and Salome Ellery (31st).

## Service Plan - 2nd June

Leading:	P Errington
Communion:	P Christmas
Reader:	C Chapman
Helpers:	B Brand D Oorschot & J Barrett
Ushers:	TBA
Crèche:	S McTear & E McGlenn
Chapel Cleaners:	S Whisson & M Fiorenza
Hall Cleaners:	S & H Errington
Flowers:	G West & W Ferranti
Sound Desk:	C Bruce
Evening Service:	I Kirk ( <i>Communion</i> )
Craft Set-up:	B Jacques & S Reichenbach

## What's Happening This Week

### 26th May

<b>Mon</b>	9.30am Young Mother's Bible study 1.15pm Ladies Home Group @ Hazel's
<b>Tue</b>	9.00am Community Craft 1.00pm The Carpenter's Workshop 6.30pm Home Group (Yr 9 - Uni)
<b>Wed</b>	7pm and 7.30pm Home Groups
<b>Fri</b>	9.30am Little One's Playgroup 6.00pm Junior Youth Group 7.30pm Teen Youth Group
<b>Sat</b>	9.00am The Carpenter's Workshop (first Saturday of each month)

**Last Week's Attendance: 195**

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## Church Finances as at 19 May:

### Faith Promise for this Year:

Pledged:

Received:

### Building Fund :

Total Received: Received FYTD:

*If you wish to deposit directly into our bank account, please use the reference to note "Building Fund", "Faith Promise" etc, if it is for a specific gift.*

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**Deut 16:17 "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that He has given you."**