

The Week Ahead..

Please let Edwin know ASAP if you have or know where to find a Garden fire basket/brazier for the 23rd"

MONDAY:-

7.30 Elder's Meeting

TUESDAY:-

12.15 Ladies Meeting Christmas Lunch

6.00 Junior Church Christmas Party (Older children)

8.00 Christianity Explored at Martin and Jo's

WEDNESDAY:-

3.45 11-14's 'Drop In'

7.30 Prayer and Devotional with Brian Maiden

FRIDAY:-

12.00 Men's Lunch (please sign up in Foyer today!)

7.30 Access

It would be wonderful if each household would kindly supply 6 mince pies for our Carol Service a week today. They will also be served on Wednesday evening 23rd December following the Festive Carol Sing at Fletcher Park - with our neighbours."

Information for next week's Notice board to Graeme by Thursday evening.
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Sunday 13th December 2009



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Welcome to....

9.30 **Breaking of Bread** - an open time of worship as we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All true believers are welcome to share after prayerful consideration of 1 Corinthians 11:27

10.30 **Morning Service and Junior Church:** The service will be led by John Edmondson and the speaker this morning is Brian Maiden
The service can be heard in the foyer and the crèche downstairs, if you need to leave with small children.

Refreshments will be served after the service

3.00 **Carol Singing at Summerhill**

4.00 **Carol Singing at Waterside** (please meet at Parr Street)

6.10 **Prayer**

6.30 **Evening Service Speaker:** Brian Maiden

8.00 **Vision**

Offering: NISCU South Lakes and Church Expenses

Next Sunday: 20th December

9.30 **Elders Meet for Prayer**

10.30 **Morning Service and Junior Church,**
including Breaking of Bread, speaker: Brian Maiden

12.00 **Choir Practice**

6.30 **Carol Service:** Speaker: Brian Maiden
Refreshments will be served after the service

Offering: Ruth Cushing and Expenses

Welcome!

When I was lost you came and rescued me,

reached down into the pit and lifted me,
Oh Lord, such love!
I was as far from You as I could be.
You know all the things I've ever done
but Jesus^ blood has cancelled every one
Oh Lord, such grace!
to qualify me as Your own.

*There is a new song in my mouth,
there is a deep cry in my heart,
A hymn of praise to Almighty God -
Hallelujah!*

*And now I stand firm on this Rock,
my life is hidden now with Christ in God,
the old has gone and the new has come -
Hallelujah!
Your love has lifted me.*

Now I have come into Your family
for the Son of God has died for me
Oh Lord, such peace!
I am as loved by You as I could be.
In the full assurance of Your love,
now with every confidence we come,
Oh Lord, such joy!
to know that You delight in us.

*There is a new song in my mouth,
there is a deep cry in my heart,
A hymn of praise to Almighty God -
Hallelujah!*

*And now I stand firm on this Rock,
my life is hidden now with Christ in God,
the old has gone and the new has come -
Hallelujah!
Your love has lifted me.*

*Your love has lifted me.
Your love has lifted me.*

Prayer

From the squalor of a borrowed stable,
by the Spirit and a virgin's faith;
to the anguish and the shame of scandal
came the Saviour of the human race!
But the skies were filled with the praise of
heav'n,
shepherds listen as the angels tell
of the Gift of God come down to man
at the dawning of Immanuel.

King of heaven now the Friend of sinners,
humble servant in the Father's hands,
filled with power and the Holy Spirit,
filled with mercy for the broken man.
Yes, he walked my road and he felt my
pain,
joys and sorrows that I know so well;
yet his righteous steps give me hope
again –
I will follow my Immanuel.

Through the kisses of a friend's betrayal,
he was lifted on a cruel cross;
he was punished for the world's
transgressions,
he was suffering to save the lost.
He fights for breath, he fights for me,
loosing sinners from the claims of hell;
and with a shout our souls are free –
death defeated by Immanuel.

Now he's standing in the place of honour,
crowned with glory on the highest throne,
interceding for his own beloved
till his Father calls to bring them home!
Then the skies will part as the trumpet
sounds
hope of heaven or the fear of hell;
but the bride will run to her Lover's arms
giving glory to Immanuel!

Church news

Prayer

In Christ alone my hope is found,

He is my light, my strength, my song;
this corner stone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and
storm.
What heights of love, what depths of
peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings
cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save:
till on the cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied –
for every sin on Him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand;
till He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Bible reading Exodus 13:17 - 14:31.

Bible teaching

Be gone, unbelief! My Saviour is near

and for my relief will surely appear:
by prayer let me wrestle and prove that
He saves;
with Christ in the vessel I smile at the
waves.

Though dark be my way, since He is my
guide,
then I must obey and He will provide;
with human trust broken when mortals all
fail,
the word He has spoken shall surely
prevail.

His love in time past forbids me to think
He'll leave me at last in trouble to sink;
and can He have taught me to trust in His
name
and this far have brought me to put me to
shame?

Why should I complain of want or
distress,
temptation or pain? He told me no less;
the heirs of salvation, I know from His
word,
through much tribulation must follow their
Lord.

Since all that I meet shall work for my
good,
the bitter is sweet, the medicine is food;
the pain felt at present will cease before
long;
and then, O how pleasant the conqueror's
song!

Closing prayer