ST PAUL'S
Lutheran Church Box Hill
In Christ we gather, grow and go

12 November 2026

SUNDAY EXTRA

WHATS ON AT ST PAUL'S

Saturday 14 November
Just Women brunch 10.00am

Sunday 15 November
Worship 9.30am
St Pauls Kids (during worship)
SPY & YA 11am

Monday 16 November
St Paul's Open Doors 10am -12noon

Tuesday 17 November
St Paul's Open Doors 10am -12pm
Midweek Worship 1.00pm
Bible Study 2.30pm
Mission Team 7.30pm
Young Adults ESYA 7.30pm

Wednesday 18 November
St Paul's Open Doors 10am -12noon
CLC Play Group 10am -12pm
CLC Table Tennis 10.30am
Christmas Choir 7.30pm

Thursday 19 November
Women's Walking Group 9.30am

Friday 20 November
Card & Board Games

Saturday 21 November
St Paul's Fete and Concert 10.00am

Sunday 22 November
Worship 9.30am
St Pauls Kids (during worship)
SPY & YA 11am

Monday 23 November
St Paul's Open Doors 10am-12noon

Tuesday 24 November
St Paul's Open Doors 10am -12noon
Church Council 7.30pm

Wednesday 25 November
St Paul's Open Doors 10am -12noon
CLC Play Group 10am -12pm
Table Tennis 10.30am – 12.30pm

Thursday 26November
Women's Walking Group 9.30am

Friday 27 November
Men's Group 7.00pm

St Paul's AGM
Sunday 06 December
after worship

ONE CHURCH SERVICE CELEBRATION

We were blessed to see the church full with members of both St Pauls and CLC. The voices and instruments in both the combined choir and bands lifted the roof with the joy of Christ, it was truly a blessing to experience these sounds. We heard from a young adult from both congregations about their joys and hopes for the partnership, and heard the children sing in a combined choir. Pastor Daniel Wong shared some reflections about joining together in love and acceptance in the sermon.

The worship was followed by a shared lunch in which we were able to get to know one another over a mix of cultural foods including Chinese, Indian and Aussie culinary delights.



We look forward to future shared events.

Kathy Harrison
Vice Chair SPBH Church Council

If you were unable to attend last Sunday you can view this **special service** via the St Paul's YouTube channel





Top photo clockwise from front left, Pr Danial Ng, Pr Daniel Ng, Pastor Sue and Pr Nev (facebook)

Middle photo. The band!! (by Bernard Dana)

At left Pr Daniel Ng Branna, Kelly and Pr Sue. (YouTube)

HOSPITALITY FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS.

Thank you to everyone who helps in some way for Hospitality on Sundays. Whether it is bringing something to share at a Community Lunch, bringing food for morning tea, or serving Tea and Coffee after service. We appreciate all your generous support each week.

We have several changes to our normal routine so this is what will be taking place until the end of the year

Sunday 22nd Nov - NO COMMUNITY LUNCH.

Sunday 20th Dec - Christmas morning tea, please bring along something yummy to share for Morning tea, There will be **no community lunch in December** ,because we are replacing it with this special Morning Tea.
Melissa Coulston



Can you help?

Hospitality is one of the important elements supporting our community. You can help support the wonderful hospitality volunteers on Sundays by returning your crockery and cutlery to the trolley when you are finished your beverages if you are able.
If you would like to join the hospitality team or other Sunday roster roles contact Melissa via worship@stpaulsboxhill.org.au.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR



Take the opportunity to join our choir to sing favourite carols and anthems at our Lessons and Carols services on Christmas Eve and the Sunday prior.(20th December). Formal choir experience is *not* needed.
Rehearsals are 7.30pm in the church each Wednesday evening commencing 11th November. Come that evening or better still, speak to Melissa Doecke or another choir member.

Joining the choir is a great way to meet people

(Photo Tim Wiebusch)

CARD AND BOARD GAMES FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

Come to St Paul's to play card and board games next Friday 20th November from 7.00pm.

This regular event is hosted by Michael and Melissa Coulston and draws people from all over the place. Whether you are a novice or a serious game player you will find the game for you.

JUST WOMEN

Just a reminder that the final get together for the Just Women group will be brunch at the popular Warren Glen Nursery Café at 10.00am on Saturday 14 November for those who have RSVPd.

The planning for next year's program will take place soon. If you would like to host or organise the entertainment for a gathering at our St Paul's café on a Friday evening, please let Jennie know.

jen.red.door@outlook.com

MEN'S GROUP

FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER @ 7pm

Men of all ages are welcome
Good food, great fellowship!

More information to come.

ST PAUL'S FETE ALL WELCOME

SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER
10.00am – 2.00pm
FOLLOWED BY MUSIC CONCERT



Bring your family and friends to enjoy

- **Sausage Sizzle**
- **Plant Sale**
- **Arts and Crafts for sale**
- **Kids Games & Activities**
- **Delectable Morning Tea**

Then stay on for an **AMAZING MUSICAL CONCERT** from 2pm

If you would like to be involved with preparation or on the day please see Garry or Kate or sign up on the sheets in the foyer.

If you would like to perform at the **Concert** following immediately after the fete please speak to Peter Neville.

If you can provide baked goods or preserves for sale that would be very appreciated.

Donations of quality bric a brac, plants and crafts are also most welcome.

Bric-a-brac and Christmas items – speak to Cathy Beaton – no electricals or damaged goods please

Plants – speak to Lyn Prokesh

Crafts – speak to Kate Burke

Baked Goods and Preserves – speak to Kathy Tepper or Kate Burke

For health and safety reasons

Cover or wrap & label biscuits/slice/cakes/loaves with:

1. List of ingredients (to identify any allergens. Please avoid nuts. Items containing cream must be transported and stored at an appropriate temperature – transport with a cold pack or similar)

2. initials of baker on label

3. Date made

We hope to see you there!

ST PAUL'S KIDS CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION



Join Us for This Year's Christmas Presentation!

Children and youth - from kinder all the way through high school - are warmly welcomed and encouraged to participate in St Paul's annual Christmas Presentation during worship on **Sunday, December 20**.

Practices: Will take place during **St Paul's Kids** from **November 29 through December 13**.

Roles: Speaking roles are available for those who would like one! However, we completely understand that busy schedules happen - if you are unable to make it to many or any of the lead-up practices, your kids are still more than welcome to show up and be involved on the day.

Get Involved / Questions:

If your child is interested in a **speaking role** - narrating, acting or either, please speak with **Diana** or **Deidre**.

If you aren't a part of the St Paul's Kids Parents WhatsApp group yet, please message **Diana** (0403 761 779) and ask to be added so you can get the songs to practise at home.

Diana Nagorcka, St Paul's Kids team leader



SHARE THE DIGNITY

This year our **Just Women** group decided on a service project '*Share the Dignity*'. This project supports women and teenagers fleeing domestic violence, some with young babies.

Our goal was to buy appropriate supplies to fill 20 bags, mostly in handmade carry bags. A big thank you to all who contributed to this project, in donating goods, money and filling the bags. We didn't only reach our goal - we more than doubled it - completing 42 bags!

A big thank you to all involved in this worthy project.



Jennie Jones and Sandie Schultz with just some of the many donated bags.

500 CLUB – ALL WELCOME



Beginners, Experienced and Refreshers all welcome to join a social gathering of the 500-card game group.

Next meeting 1 st Dec 10am (1st Tuesday of month) in St Pauls Community Centre.

RSVP please helpful but not essential via 500club@stpaulsboxhill.org.au or talk to Judy Pedersen.

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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Members of the congregation are encouraged to attend the Special General Meeting being held on **Sunday 06 December** after worship.

WORKING/VOLUNTEERING WITH CHILDREN & VULNERABLE PEOPLE

On reformation Sunday Pastor Sue reminded us

…When you give your time to Safe Church training or complete a Working with Children Check, you are doing more than ticking a box. You are helping build a culture in which children are safer, boundaries are respected and concerns can be raised….

Volunteers in Child and Youth Ministry or in Pastoral Care roles, including as committee members, Church Council members and other committee Chairpersons are required to participate in the LCA Safe Church training and comply with requirements to provide a valid Working With Children Check for Victoria.

When applying for or renewing a Working With Children Check you will now find a short mandatory training will form part of the WWCC application and renewal process. This can be completed online or offline (via a booklet).

You can find out more about the LCA Safe Church training via this **LINK**

https://www.lca.org.au/training-events/safe-church-training/

The next live online webinar is on the morning of Saturday 21 November.

If you are a current team member or considering volunteering in these ministries, please speak to your team leader or to Tammy Hughes or me as Safe Church coordinators to confirm your status or how to register or renew your WWCC and training.

Quoting Pastor Sue again

…..May we be a church that listens with humility, learns with generosity and changes with courage. May our traditions point us towards Christ, and may our actions reflect the love we proclaim. May each of us play our part in making our church a place where people experience safety, welcome, forgiveness and hope.

Thankyou for your willing and servant hearts.

Kate Burke – Safe Church Coordinator