

WELCOME HOME

5TH SEPTEMBER 2021

9.30AM

5.30PM



COMING UP AT CONNECT

2021-22 Directory

We are finalising the development of our 2021-22 Connect Church Directory! Please contact mikaela@connectchurch.org.au if you have any questions or would like to submit your details and/or photo

Church Online

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Due to the current restrictions, we are unable to have in-person or live services. We will be having pre-recorded services via YouTube until further notice. More info will be sent via email.

Tribe Youth

POSTPONED

No youth during lockdown – see you all again soon!

Working Bee

POSTPONED

The working bee has been postponed until further notice. For more information, contact Mike Fordyce on 0418 236 724

Engadine Spring Fair

13/11

We need volunteers for Engadine Spring Fair! For more info, contact Phil Lewis 0417 670 663

Bible Reading Plan THIS WEEK | 6/09-12/09

6th Sep: 2 Corinthians 10

7th Sep: 2 Corinthians 11

8th Sep: 2 Corinthians 12

9th Sep: 2 Corinthians 13

10th Sep: 1 Timothy 1

11th&12th Sep: Reflect

More info at

www.connectchurch.org.au/resources

September Birthdays!

Eliana T	Danielle	Phil
Peter St	Kris	Harry
	Alex	

For more information and updates, be sure to check out our website and follow us on social media

connectchurch.org.au

[/connect.kingdom](https://www.facebook.com/connect.kingdom) & [/TribeYouthEngadine](https://www.facebook.com/TribeYouthEngadine)

[@connectchurchengadine](https://www.instagram.com/connectchurchengadine), [@tribeyouthengadine](https://www.instagram.com/tribeyouthengadine)

[@connectchurchcreative](https://www.instagram.com/connectchurchcreative)

GENERAL INFORMATION

SRE Online

Scripture classes are now online! For weekly lessons, visit <https://cepconnect.com.au/learningathome/>

Bread Tags and Plastic Bottle Lid Collection

Alex Johns is collecting bread tags and plastic bottle lids to be recycled for charitable purposes! If you have any that you would like collected, please contact her on 0415 999 726

Supporting Missions

The church currently supports the Laney's, the Bookers, and the Ochaya's. You can additionally support them below:

Ryan and Adriel Booker - ryanandadriel.com/partner/ | Chris and Sarah Ochaya - gf.me/u/s5tc4f

Soul Sisters' Retreat – ZOOM CALL

Women's retreat has been altered to a Zoom call due to lockdown. Caro Meers will be sharing on 'Choosing Joy' on Saturday 11th September 7pm-9pm. A goodie bag with yummy treats and some paints to get creative will be delivered (cost is \$10pp). For more info and to RSVP, contact Julie 0418 425 714

WELCOME TO CONNECT

It's great that you're able to connect with us today! We hope you feel welcome and that your experience is both inspiring and challenging. If you haven't already, we'd love you to join us for our Church Online services, which go live every Sunday morning at 9.30am! If you have any questions or would like to connect with us, feel free to check out our 'Contact Us' tab on our website. There, you'll find our social media links, and a form to fill out to send us a message. We look forward to hearing from you!

OUR SERVICES THIS WEEK + NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY MORNING

5/09 | 9.30am

'God Makes a Way for Redemption by Faith'

Mike McGarrity

Check it out online!

SUNDAY MORNING

12/09 | 9.30am

'The Nuts and Bolts of Christian Living'

Mike McGarrity

Check it out online!

Our Sermon Recordings and Life Group Studies can be found on our website on the 'Resources' page.

A MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP – LAURIE

Hi all, my turn today!

Life really feels like a hard slog at times at the moment, doesn't it? Yet, compared to many in the world, even in our own city or suburb, we may have it easy. With the depressing news each day from around the world, to lockdown and dealing with the isolation and monotony that may bring, it is easy to hang the head in frustration or feel forlorn. It is easy to feel the slog is too much.

When I have seen the athletes at the Paralympics compete, I am reminded of their courage, and of their training, perseverance, character and hope. For many of them, just to compete on that stage is an amazing achievement already - let alone bagging a medal.

I like to take inspiration from them, and from Romans 5 for these times, that through our sufferings in life in whatever form, in Christ we can have hope. We know that perseverance produces character, and character - hope.

That hope doesn't disappoint, because God pours His love in to us through His Holy Spirit.

So, keep hoping in Christ, and simply don't give up.

A treasurer's note of thanks to everyone so generously maintaining their giving electronically through these times. Your finances are essential and gratefully received, and we are maintaining the status quo at the moment. We have been looked after with some Government grants, and were also fortunate to get a grant earlier for some building works. These included the solar project on the roof (about \$13,000), new aircon in the second hall (about \$14,000) and the upgrade of our electrical switchboards, (\$7,000, old and dangerous!). Some more projects to come from grant money if we're successful!

So, thanks again, don't give up, and check on each other.

Laurence

PRAYER + PRAISE

If you have any prayer or praise points you would like to share, email John Duggan on montana.john@internode.on.net

FINANCES FOR AUGUST

Due to the unusual financial complexities surrounding COVID-19, we are unable to reflect the true picture of the church's finances in a simple format. Rest assured; we are in a stable financial position. However, if you would like further details, please contact our treasurer Laurie - treasurer@connectchurch.org.au or 0412 386 235 - who can discuss the details with you.

WAYS TO GIVE

Cash/Cheques in Service or Direct Debit - Name: Connect Church Engadine | BSB: 062164 | Account no.: 00906262

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