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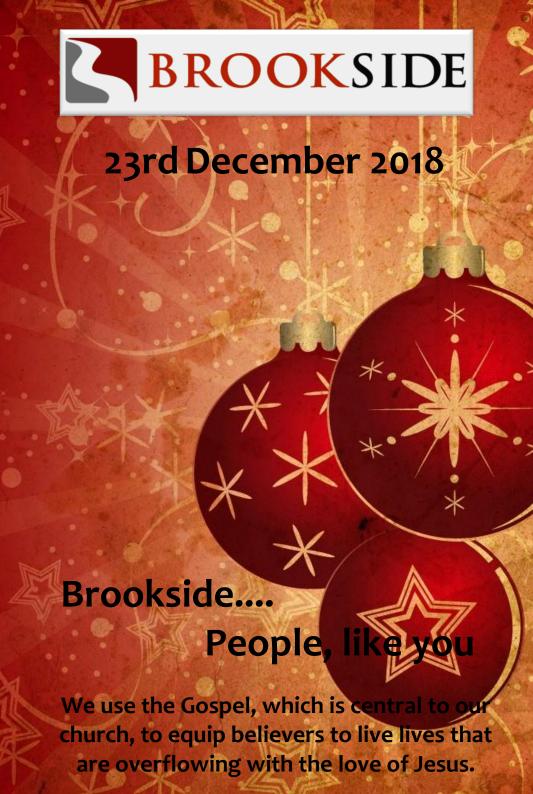
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Order of service – 23rd December

Welcome

Song

Song

Please note the 9am start time for the Christmas Day Service not the usual 9:30am starting time.

Prayer time

Announcements & Offering

(No formal children's program. There are activity sheets on the back table)

Bible Reading – Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon – Jim Dugan

Song

Closing prayer



Brookside Rosters

Service Date	Welcome	Morning Tea	Food Ministry	
23 rd	Sorin &	J & J Esdaile	Bruce Alexander	
December	Olimpia	and Paula		
	Timis	Sinton		
25 th	Lynne	French		
December	Alexander &			
Christmas	Paula Sinton			
Day				
30 th	Sorin &	J & J Esdaile	Bruce Alexander	
December	Olimpia	& Ray Walsh		
	Timis			
6 th January	Laurel	Mary &	Sorin & Olimpia Timis	
	Cummings &	Michael		
	Joy Midgely	Googe		
Service Date	Sound	Data	Bible	Prayer
			Reading	
23 rd	Phil Thring	Vicki French	Lynda	Jim Dugan
December			Dugan	
25 th	Thring	Thring		Richard
December				French
Christmas				
Day				
30 th	Phil Thring	Jason Thring	Gwen	Leonie
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December		ð	Thring	Rogers
December 6 th January	Fred Murphy	Vicki French		
	Fred Murphy		Thring	Rogers Warren Heuston
			Thring Lynda	Rogers Warren
6 th January	Fred Murphy Preschool/	Vicki French	Thring Lynda Dugan	Rogers Warren Heuston Teen Bible
6 th January Brook Kids	Fred Murphy Preschool/	Vicki French	Thring Lynda Dugan Years 4-6	Rogers Warren Heuston Teen Bible
6 th January Brook Kids School	Fred Murphy Preschool/ Kindy	Vicki French Years 1-3	Thring Lynda Dugan Years 4-6	Rogers Warren Heuston Teen Bible Study
6 th January Brook Kids School Holidays	Fred Murphy Preschool/ Kindy	Vicki French Years 1-3 No Brook Kid	Thring Lynda Dugan Years 4-6	Rogers Warren Heuston Teen Bible Study

Connect Groups – Bible Study Groups

Mondays - Sandra Langley

Monday 10:40am-12:30pm in school terms at Sandra's house. This group includes Christian and non-Christian friends with or without children. Some weeks are informal but still spent using the bible. Contact Sandra 0417 882 364. Newcomers welcome, with or without children.

Mondays - Sorin Timis & Bruce Alexander

Monday nights 7:30pm-9pm in school terms at 33 Barrington St (Sorin's house). We share coffee and cake then we sit down and share God's word. Contact Sorin: 0413 522 453 or Bruce: 6541 4919 / 0401 070 789. Suitable for everyone.

Wednesdays - Jim & Lynda Dugan

Wednesday nights 7:30pm during the school term at 12 Beech St Muswellbrook. Contact Jim 0409 315 969 or Lynda 0433 838 978 or email at duganwol@gmail.com. Suitable for everyone.

Wednesdays - Darryl Spicer

Wednesday nights 7:30pm during the school term at Darryl Spicer's home at 16 Lexia St, Muswellbrook. Everyone welcome. Contact Darryl on 0423 924 362 or Darryl@brookside.org.au

Sundays - Jono Walsh & Brad Westgate

Monthly Sunday lunch during the school term from 12noon-2pm at rotating locations in Muswellbrook. Contact Jono: 0428 320 217 or Brad: 0403 195 100. Suitable for families.

Saturdays - Adam and Michelle Green

Stay tuned for the next discussion theme. Soon to be back on Saturday nights at 7:30pm at Adam and Michelle Green's home. For more information contact Adam - 0403 743 664 or adamstewartgreen@gmail.com.

All Connect Groups are in recess over the Christmas/January period.



Family Time

Praying and reading God's word together

If you have any prayer requests or points of thanksgiving, please email darryl@brookside.org.au

Church Family Prayer

- Give thanks to God for the rain we have had! Pray that God will give us more. Pray that the rain will be reaching areas that need it the most.
- Pray for those who struggle at this time of the year especially from grief, separation or difficult relationships.
- Pray for those you know who need to hear about the sacrificial gift of Jesus. Pray
 for opportunities to share about the grace and mercy of Jesus and the words to
 speak clearly.
- Pray for Geoff and Sandra Langley who are dealing with a few issues in regards to Geoff's health. Pray for God's grace and wisdom for them at this time.
- Pray for Andy Reid. Andy is preparing to come home. Andy still cannot weight bear on either leg, so pray for him, Kylie and the family as they manage his mobility. Also pray for Andy that the strength in his hip would improve.
- As school comes to an end for the year, give thanks for the staff and teachers and pray for safety as people travel.
- Please pray for Lisa Hinds as she undergoes treatment for breast cancer. Please
 pray for God's comfort to be with her and her family during this time. Pray also
 for others in our church community who are also being treated for cancer. Pray
 that people might be healed of these cancers.
- Pray for someone you know who doesn't yet know God. Pray that God would
 open their eyes, pray for people of faith to be in their lives and to challenge them
 to think through the issue.
- Pray for the emergency service personnel over this holiday period. Pray that God would protect and strengthen them to face the challenges in their roles.
- Pray that God would grow our church. That we would be a faithful witness to his love in our homes, school and workplaces.
- Pray for those in our church who are doing it tough. Be it through the general ups and downs of life, with chronic illness or because a family member has passed, or maybe they are having difficult time at work or at home. Pray that they might know God's comfort.



Previous weeks' notes and bible passages

Prophecies of Jesus' birth in the Psalms Week 3 – 2nd December Psalm 2:6-8.

Psalms about the Messiah Nature, and their New Testament counterparts

The Messiah will be called King of the Jews (Psalm 2:6; John 12:12–13; 18:32).

The Messiah will be the Son of God (Psalm 2:7; Luke 1:31-35; Matthew 3:16-

17; Hebrews 1:5–6). 7. The Messiah will be Lord and King (Psalm 110:1a; Matthew

22:41-45). The Messiah is God (Psalm 45:6-7b; Hebrews 1:8-9).

Others Psalms about the Messiahs Nature.

The Messiah will call God His Father (Psalm 89:26; Matthew 11:27).

The Messiah will be God's only "begotten" Son (<u>Psalm 89:27</u>; <u>Mark 16:6</u>; <u>Colossians 1:18</u>; <u>Revelation 1:5</u>).

The Messiah will be eternal (Psalm 102:25–27a; Revelation 1:8; Hebrews 1:10–12).

The Messiah is the creator of all things (<u>Psalm 102:25–27b</u>; <u>John 1:3</u>; <u>Ephesians</u> 3:9; Hebrews 1:10–12).

The Messiah will be a Priest after the order of Melchizedek (<u>Psalm 110:4</u>; <u>Hebrews 6:17–20</u>).

The Messiah will be the "Stone" rejected by the builders (<u>Psalm 118:22</u>; <u>Matthew</u> 21:42–43).

Prophecies of Jesus' birth in the Psalms Week 4 – 9th December

Psalm 118: Psalms about the Messiah's life and ministry.

Infants will give praise to the Messiah (Psalm 8:2; Matthew 21:15–16).

The Messiah will reveal that the Hebrew Scriptures were written of Him (Psalm 40:6–8b; Luke 24:44; John 5:39–40).

The Messiah will do God's (His Father's) will (Psalm 40:7–8; John 5:30).

The Messiah will not conceal His mission from believing people (Psalm 40:9–10; Luke 4:16–21).

The Messiah will communicate a message of mercy (Psalm 45:2; 55:12–14; Luke 4:22).

The Messiah will be angered by unethical practices by the Jews in the temple (Psalm 69:9a: John 2:13–17).

The Messiah will teach in parables (Psalm 78:2; Matthew 13:34–35).

The Messiah will calm the stormy sea (Psalm 107:28–29; Matthew 8:24–26).

The Messiah will act with righteousness (Psalm 45:6–7c; John 5:30).

The Messiah will come in the name of the Lord (Psalm 118:26; Matthew 21:9).

Pictures of the Messiah's betrayal and death as seen in the book of Psalms Week 5

- 16th December. Check out the sermon notes in the bulletin on the website.

Weekly happenings at Brookside

Crèche

Parents with babies and young children not yet at the age to attend Sunday School (Brook Kids) are welcome to sit with their child in the Crèche room where toys and changing facilities are available.

Brook Kids (Sunday School) In recess over the school holiday period.

Every Sunday in school terms our leaders run a program for kids ranging from 3 years of age to Year 6. The program is held in the rooms and hall area on the other side of the church. For more information see Lynda Dugan or one of our Brook Kids leaders.

Parents' Group Back on in January

Brookside has a little get together for parents to catch up and have a chat over a cuppa while your little ones play. Held each Monday, 10am-12 noon at Brookside. See Sonya O'Hara for more details or our Facebook group – Parents' Group Brookside.

Teen Bible Study In recess over the school holiday period.

A bible study for those who are high school aged. We meet during the Sunday church service on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month during school terms.



★ Christmas Day Service 9am 25th December

★ 16th-17th March 2019 Church Camp

Church Camp

- ✓ 16th-17th March 2019 at Glenbawn Dam
- ✓ Great time of fun, fellowship and getting to know others.
- ✓ We will be having a Sunday morning service and there will be other water based activities happening on the Saturday.
- ✓ Save the date for the camp and invite others to join us.
- ✓ Register your interest by filling out the bottom of form (on the noticeboard) and placing it in the green letterbox in the foyer.





Christmas Day service

Our Christmas Day service is at **9am** on Christmas Day. We will be having an all-age service. Everyone is welcome. Please share the invitation with your friends and family.



Christmas day Lunch

No plans for Christmas day? After the Brookside service head along to the <u>Singleton Senior Citizens Centre</u> and celebrate the joy of Christmas! Fun, food and entertainment for all ages, just turn up on the day from 11am-4pm! Every child will receive a gift from Santa! For more information please contact Samaritans on 0427 867 969 or head to www.samaritans.org.au. Singleton Senior Citizen Centre - Bathurst Street Singleton.



Thank you to everyone who serves at Brookside!

We'd like to acknowledge and thank all of the people who have served at the church in countless ways, big or small over the year. We really appreciate the time, energy, effort and commitment you have blessed the Brookside community with. Thank you from Brookside.

Thank you to those people who made a meal for the Reid family. The family really appreciated it.

Long Service Leave

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The new church roster is now available

The final roster for January to March 2019 has been emailed out. If you need to swap with someone please do so and then notify the office of the changes.



Please continue to join with us as we pray for rain

How Do You View Jesus?

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the rain showers that we experienced this week. Thank you for hearing the cries of your people and sending rain to refresh and to replenish the Earth you created. We thank you for being the compassionate and merciful God who cares for your people. Gracious Father, you said to be thankful for all things. We are grateful for the rain. Holy Spirit, touch the hearts of more people to join us in praying together about the drought, to join with us as we pray for our country. Forgive those who have not praised you for the rain. Help us all to be forgiving. Help us or not to yield to temptation and thank you for delivering us from the evil one. You are an awesome God and we praise your glorious name! Father we continue to ask you for more rain, more rain in more places. We continue to seek your mercy and your face. Amen

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2. How Joseph Viewed Christmas Matt 1:18-25	