



# St Petri

## music team

January/February 2017

### FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

*As we begin another year of God's mission at St Petri we believe that God is faithful. His promises are worthy of our trust and he has promised good things for us (2 Samuel 7:28). This goes for all of us participating in the ministry of community song.*

*I call it 'community song' and not just 'music ministry' because from God's point of view, we are there to support the community in their song. We are just like the Levitical choir or the Sons of Korah playing their instruments in the Jerusalem temple. We are God's instruments, both vocally and instrumentally to assist the people of God in the new song of faith in God's grace in Jesus. Our role is not to perform but to serve; not to put on a show but support the lead vocalist (the congregation) in their praying, listening and responding the God's Spirit at work in his Word. Also, our role is to be of assistance to God speaking his Word through his appointed Pastors, Readers and whoever else speaks God's Word in worship. So we are a two-way bridge between God and his people, assisting the people and the Pastors as we all receive God's Spirit in his Words and speak back to him in our words.*

*So, this will continue in 2017 and it is on us to do the very best job we can at participating with the Spirit in this great enterprise called community song. It demands our best and that comes out in the work we put in before we ever get to play in church. Giving our best is giving ourselves to Jesus and his community whom we serve. He is most interested in our heart, not just our playing or singing. We love to see our musicians and singers being embraced by the community, having strong relationships in our community of faith and playing or singing from that foundation.*

*Let's give him our best in response to the best he has given us - life, hope, peace, freedom and most of all, unconditional, non-judgemental acceptance and love. Let's play and sing from that heart. As we do the Spirit of the Lord will use us to help his people do the same and good things will come our way as more people share in the love and hope of Jesus at St Petri. This is our hope. This is our goal.*

*In his peace*

*Pastor Adrian*

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

- ❖ We had a successful 'Dob in a Muso' campaign during November, with some new singers and musos joining us in the New Year. More details to follow.
- ❖ Congratulations to the very talented Emilie Hanckel (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday band/Youth Band) who completed Year 12 so successfully she was named Dux of Nuri High. We are very proud of you!
- ❖ We say 'goodbye' to Mitch Kitson (Youth Band leader/4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Band drummer) who has moved to Adelaide to study at the Sem.
- ❖ We say 'hello' to Matt and Sally Huckel who will be sharing their musical gifts with us during their time at St. Petri.
- ❖ Over the last few months we've been listening to lots of music from a variety of sources. Watch your emails for a condensed list of some of the best with links to sites where you can listen to them. Let us know what you think!

### COMING UP

#### Birthdays:

- 23 January - John Harris
- 10 February - Theresa Whitehead
- 21 February - Greg Edwards

