



WELCOME

14th December 2025

Connect with us Sundays @ 9:30am

COMING UP AT CONNECT

TRIBE YOUTH

**Fri 19/12 7-9.30pm,
THE CHRISTMAS PARTY
\$5.00**

Years 6-12 welcome.
Contact Connor Stokes
on 0418591215

Hampers for Hope

A heartfelt **Thank you** to all those who invested time and money to make this year's Hampers of Hope a blessed success! Hampers are going to EWPS, Salvation Army, Preschool and other families. May we continue to be blessed to be a Blessing!

Christmas Day Service

Time: 9am
We will gather earlier on Christmas Day for a short but meaningful message. With morning tea served afterwards.

**Sunday 28th December
9.30am**

We will close off 2025 in a special Prayer service

Bible Reading Plan

**DECEMBER-
Renewing the mind**
Mon 15th – 1 John 2:15-16
Tue 16th – Ps 51:10
Wed 17th – Heb 4:12
Thu 18th – Isa 55:8-9
Fri 19th – Jer 17:10
Sat 20th – 2 Tim 1:7
Sun 21st – 1 Thess 5:21-22

Young Adult Retreat

SELAH- before we run, we rest.

16-18th January 2026

Where: Grevillea
@TheTops

Who: Young parents with children, Singles, Married couples

Peter Sargent is your contact!

Young Adults Christmas Gatho

THU 18th Dec – 7pm

@ Engadine Bowling Club

**Please RSVP to Diane by 12pm,
Wednesday to confirm
numbers for booking**

YA LIFEGROUP will commence again in February


Global Mission Partners


In need of a gift?

Choose a gift and support a project close to your heart. Flyers in the foyer

For more information and updates, be sure to check out our website and follow us on Social Media:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Connect Breakfast Services

On the first Sunday of each month we join together to share breakfast during our Sunday morning service. If you are yet to attend a breakfast service, we cannot recommend them more highly. The food is yummy, the company is AMAZING and we worship and hear from our God in new and fun ways. It's the best way to enjoy the presence of our church family and our Heavenly Father. **Hope to see you on Sunday 1st February 2026.**

Village Kids and Epic in 2025

Village Kids is our kids' program for kids aged 3 years to Year 6 in Primary School. Epic is for kids in years 7 to 12 at High School. In the interest of keeping our kids involved in our church life and our services, Village Kids and EPIC run on Sunday mornings during school terms except during Breakfast Services. Please encourage our kids (and their parents) to enjoy all aspects of our church services. Dates for each term will be located under "Resources" on the website. For more information, please contact us on office@connectchurch.org.au

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 9.40am! 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 SERVICE

14th December – 9.30am

Guest Speaker

Mel Lewis

SUNDAY MORNING

21st December - 9.30am

Guest Speaker

David Palmer

CHRISTMAS DAY

9am

Mike McGarrity

Divine Humanity

A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP - DI

Hi All

Sometimes it feels like we spend all year preparing for something.

I know some people start to prepare for Christmas early in the year. Julie McGarrity has her gifts all bought and wrapped by end of July (so I'm told) --- Me? I have yet to start preparing and shopping for Christmas.

This time of year, can be a stressful time --- worrying about who and what to buy; how much food is needed and where you will be spending Christmas day — Will the family all get along?

It seems that each year Christmas comes sooner and we need to do so much more in preparation. Christmas seems to have become this huge event.

This year let us take the time to stop and reflect on the real true meaning of Christmas. It wasn't a huge event, it was a little baby being born in a stable in a small town - Bethlehem.

Jesus came into the world quietly without pomp and ceremony — a tiny baby — the Saviour of the world

This Christmas let us pause amid all the preparations and consider that the Saviour of the world, God's only son came to save each one of us. As we connect with family and friends let us dwell on and give thanks for God's love, a love so strong and deep that He willingly sacrificed His son.

As we turn on the tree lights; open presents and attend parties, I ask that we stop and think of that quiet night so long ago in Bethlehem and thank God for His wonderful gift.

Wishing you all a Blessed and joyful Christmas

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PRAYER + PRAISE

If you have any prayer or praise points you would like to share, email John Duggan on john@connectchurch.org.au

FINANCES

If you have any questions about the finances of Connect Church, 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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