

Let's Celebrate!

Special Events



On December 22nd 2019, Caitlin Mueller, daughter of Emily and Trent was baptised at Christ Church.



The baptism of Kinley Archer, daughter of Elisha and Josh and Great Granddaughter of Dawn and Merv Schopp took place on March 17th at the Murray Heights Village Centre. This is the first Baptism to have taken place here. The photo is of Elisha and Josh with Kinley, Greta Briggs and Pastor Tim. Greta (Dawn's mum) had just turned 100 (March 11th) with five generations present and Pastor Tim asked her to do the blessing which was a very touching moment. The bowl that was used for the baptism was actually the one that Greta and her husband used to bath their babies, so it is at least 77 years old and probably closer to 100.



Congratulations to Sheridan Piltz and Rafael Tabbott (US citizen) who got engaged on April 5th in Canberra. They are now preparing and planning for a March wedding.

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BAPTISM

♦ January 19: **George Samuel Barolo**, son of Tyson and Jessica Barolo. Grandchild of Raelene and Gordon Barolo

CALLED TO THEIR HEAVENLY HOME

† **Betty Zadow**: 19/7/1030 - 10/3/2020 (a private funeral)

BIRTHDAYS

January 21 - **Eileen Steinert** - 90
 February 6 - **Heather Courtney** - 70
 March 30 - **Reg Biar** - 70
 April 14 - **Mona Gerhardy** - 90

ANNIVERSARIES

January 1 - **Chris and Gary Beauglehall** - 50
 January 30 - **Elsie and Lance Andriske** - 60

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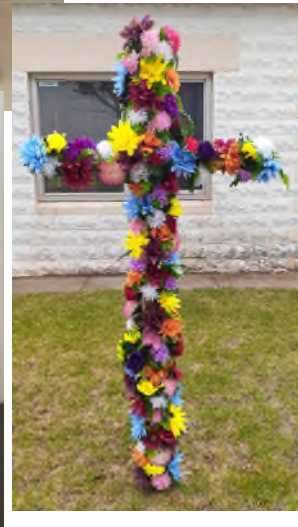
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Easter - Alive!!



Here is the photo Jasmine and Daniel Irvine took at the start of their Maundy Thursday meal. The laptop is set up just to the left (out of shot) so they could watch Pastor Tim, Jeanette and Bethany, and join in with them. The lamb and roast potatoes were resting until the appropriate time. They took this opportunity to use the Communion set that Daniel bought while they were in Israel (featuring the "Loaves and Fishes" mosaic found in the Church of the Multiplication at Tabgha on the Sea of Galilee), and to also drink some wine that happened to come from Israel!



We may not be able to attend services but we can see the Easter traditions and activities that our members have been doing - from Andy Nicholls' Easter tree, to the creative cross from Lois Piltz, the flower cross for all passersby to see in the Irvine front yard and of course many took the time to decorate the Cross on our Church lawn like Margaret Warnest.

Australia Day - January 26



We celebrated with a meal and service - community as one.

Harvest Thanksgiving



The display for Harvest Thanksgiving showed a vast array of local produce and the Lutheran Seminary students were very appreciative of the food .



Youth Activity - Tennis

Keeping it simple and fun! The Youth (some young and not so young) enjoyed the sunshine and had a hit of tennis and a meal.



Church - we're still here!



HOPE
Is seeing light
in spite
of being
surrounded
by darkness.

Cast all your
anxiety on him
because he
cares for you.
-1 Peter 5:7

Be strong
because things will get better.
It may be stormy now, but it never
rains forever.
My Dear Valentine

IT IS GOD
WHO ARMS ME WITH
STRENGTH
AND KEEPS MY WAY
SECURE.
PSALM 18:32



Thankful



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Weddings



On Saturday March 14th at Trinity Lutheran Church, Luke Courtney - left (son of James and Heather) married Amy Jenkinson. Pastor Wayne Boehm, Jim's brother-in-law and Luke's godfather officiated. Sister, Lisa was a bridesmaid and brother, James a groomsman. Family and friends came to celebrate from all over Australia
Son, James - right, with wife Rhonda eloped last September and were married on a mountain overlooking Queenstown, New Zealand.



Congratulations



The card ladies planned a **"Mock Wedding"** to welcome Carlien Hohls back from South Africa after her wedding to Peter. Months!! of preparation went into the planning. First it was a matter of trying to find a day where all the "bridesmaids" were available on a Monday...the social calendar of these ladies is amazing! Finally came up with a date that suited us all...then had to sneakily see that Carlien was available that day as well...all systems in place. Then to find a stand in groom, luckily Andy Lee (from Hamish and Andy) was available and willing to fill in on the day. (thanks mate!)
The old maids....(oops sorry I meant the "Bridesmaids") outfits sorted- Pink tops and White pants, bouquets and a delicious morning tea all arranged, Champa's waiting to be served.
Andy arrived early, very nervous with drink in hand standing stiffly at the altar (thinking.. "what have I got myself into here!!")
Would the bride show up on time...and true to tradition Carlien arrived late (i.e...she slept in!) She was whisked away by the Wedding Planner to put on her flowing oversized wedding gown complete with matching headdress and veil...Stunning!
The sounds of "HERE COMES THE BRIDE" playing in the background. She was lead into the reception room with all her bridesmaids lined up waiting...SURPRISE! (shock for her more like it). Carlien was led down the aisle with Andy waiting nervously...nuptials completed and HOORAY, Carlien was married "Aussie Style". Lots of congrats and laughter, then it was time for the throwing of the bouquet...well it was on, all the "desperate widows" vying for the best position. Carlien turned around and threw the bouquet and there was pandemonium, pushing, shoving, jostling and yelling "Its mine," "Its mine"...one of the bridesmaids took a gallant nose dive and was able to grab the bouquet ..with cheers of "I'm next"!..! The reception followed, lots of fun and laughter...and yes we eventually did play cards!

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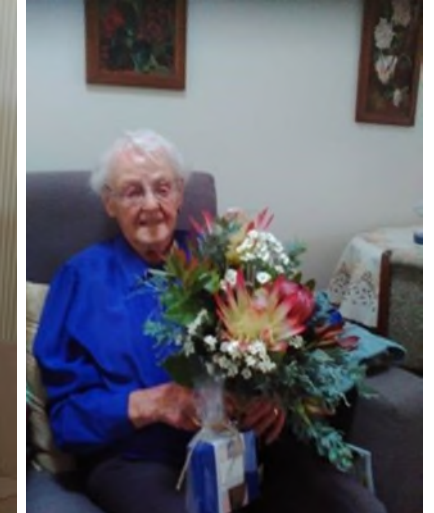
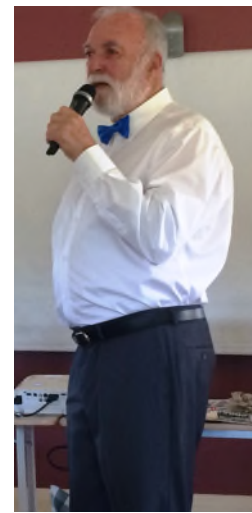
Birthdays



In early January, Basil Zadow celebrated his 80th birthday. The family got together at the Old Mill in Hahndorf between Christmas and New Year because it suited family members spread out between the Northern Territory, Western Australia, Victoria, the ACT and South Australia. On his actual birthday (January 6) Basil and Lyn celebrated with local friends at home. Basil says he doesn't feel any older but he can now justify sleeping in a bit longer.



Graham Schubert celebrated his 80th birthday in March with former members of the Young People's Society - Yvonne and Dennis Kuchel, Lyn and Basil Zadow, Joyce Pope, Ron and Sabine Jericho, Kevin Pfeiffer, Marlene and Graham Schubert with Mavis and Basil Schubert seated at the front.



Other celebrations - Phil Hammond (80 in March), Murray Piltz (80 in April), Val Stiller (101 in April) and Margaret Warnest (90 in March) who combined her birthday celebrations with another Swanport Village resident, Blanche Piper, who was also 90 in March.

