

## **CHRIST CHURCH CONGREGATION UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2011**

*If you are aware of an event missing on this list, please let the Office know*

### **MARCH**

**20th - AGM in Church Building at 1:30pm**  
*23rd—Lenten Service 7pm at Holy Cross*  
**26th - SA District Chairperson's & Treasurer's Day**  
*30th- Lenten Service 7pm at Christ Church*

### **APRIL**

*1st—Fellowship Tea with Bridge Kidz—Unity College*  
*6th—Lenten Service 7pm at Holy Cross*  
*13th—Lenten Service 7pm at Christ Church*  
**17th—PALM SUNDAY & CONFIRMATION**  
**21st— MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
**22nd - GOOD FRIDAY**  
**24th—EASTER SUNDAY**  
*26th—Anzac Day Public Holiday*

### **MAY**

**28 & 29th - LCA SA District Conference—Unity College**



*Christ Church Lutheran*  
*31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge*

*Zion Lutheran*  
*Monarto*



**Second Sunday in Lent**  
**20th March 2011**



**Reaching out with the Love of Jesus**  
**that All may Know, Worship & Grow in Christ**

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## WELCOME

*“Communion Invitation” - Dear Friends in Christ, if you are a visitor who is a baptised believer and not a member of the Lutheran Church but believe that you will be receiving the body and blood of our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, then an open invitation is extended to you.*

Non-communing adults & children are encouraged to come for a blessing and are asked to keep their hands by their sides.

*Please join us for a cuppa and a biscuit between services.*

**Visitors Cards** You will find these cards on the ends of the pews.

We would like you to fill in the details and place in the offering bag or give to an usher or the pastor as you leave the church.

### A Season of Prayer.

This Lenten season you're again invited to join in a fast (This year we have a choice; 1: not eating between breakfast and tea, or 2: not watching the news, or both!). **The theme over lent is: Who is this man; Jesus?** I want to spend time with Jesus getting to know him better. I'd encourage you to follow the 'Living It' readings, asking yourself these four questions:

- 1: *What does this say to you about people?*
- 2: *What does this say to you about Jesus?*
- 3: *What does this say about you?*
- 4: *Who needs to hear this story?*

Why not use your lunch time, or news time to read, pray and be open to Jesus, so that your relationship with him is focused on.

And don't forget to share what Jesus says to you with one another. Jesus loves sharing life with one another. It's his passion. It's what he blesses. Please don't forget to share what you believe Jesus is revealing to you. Share the blessing.

## MONARTO

**On the 4th Sunday of each month the congregation meets for discussion in the Hall at 9am. For Sunday 27th March please read John 4:5-42.** Jot down your first impressions during the week and be prepared to discuss the following questions as well.

- 1: *What does this say to you about people?*
- 2: *What does this say to you about Jesus?*
- 3: *What does this say about you?*
- 4: *Who needs to hear this story?*

## MONARTO

March 27th

<b>Wardens</b>	Tyson Paech
<b>Reader</b>	Rollo Hein
<b>Cuppa</b>	Judy & Terry Franklin

**Rosters**

## CHRIST CHURCH

MARCH 27th

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>10:45am</b>
<b>Elders</b>	Jim & Heather Courtney	Dennis Pfeiffer
<b>Wardens</b>	Merv & Dawn Schopp	Brian & Jenny Gogel
		Sue Kuchel
		Ian Colley
<b>Music</b>	June Walker	Dennis Pfeiffer
<b>Reader</b>	Ben Traeger	Ian & Deb Colley
<b>Greeters</b>	Dawn Jaensch, Ivy Roennfeldt	& Hayley & Monique
<b>Flowers</b>	Alison Grieger	
<b>Tea, Coffee</b>	Betty Zadow, Val Stevens, Daphne Young	
<b>General Prayer</b>		Dennis Pfeiffer
<b>Data Projector</b>	Bruno Lablack	Britanny Vogt
<b>PA</b>	David Pech	Roger Hampel
<b>Ed Cen Clean</b>	Betty Zadow	

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

<b>Children's Address</b>	Pastor Tim
<b>Activity Leader</b>	Annette Thomson
<b>Helpers</b>	Brianna, Shane & Jayden Thomson

## SCHOOLS MINISTRY NEWS

We have received the following updates from the Schools Ministry Group in Adelaide with regard to the continuation of Federal Funding for the Chaplaincy Program (Christian Pastoral Support Workers) in Schools.

The Federal Government has made a commitment at this stage to continue funding for another three years and to make some extra funding available so that schools who currently do not have a CPSW will be able to apply for funding.

**For Further highlights please see the Notice Board in the JDHall**

## Can You Assist?

Simon Benstead (CPSW at the High School) has organised for a group - one50Dance - to present a Christian Options seminar to local schools in the last week of Term 1. It is also hoped that they will be able to do a community presentation on the Friday night. The group consists of 40 young women who will be needing accommodation on the nights of April 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> & an evening meal on one of the nights. If you can assist with billeting two or three women please contact Simon on 8531 3431

## ~Prayer Corner~

For use by friendship groups, study groups, other groups, & individuals.  
*"Always be joyful and never stop praying. Whatever happens, keep thanking God because of Jesus Christ. This is what God wants you to do — 1 Thess. 5:16-18"*

- Ask God to give you a repentant heart and sorrow for your sins and failings. Ask God to help you turn to Jesus as the One who forgives and restores you.
- For the AGM today pray for the direction of our congregation—that the will of Jesus is done—not our own.
- ♥ Ask God for encouragement for those who are lost and caught up in the secular world with its myriad of temptations. Pray for people not to give into those temptations but to focus on Jesus and to always seek his will.
- ♥ Pray for those of our congregation who need special care & help at this time; the sick; the grieving; the lonely. Ask God to surround them with His loving, comforting arms and to give them help, healing and encouragement. We think particularly of Raelene Barolo, Maurice & Evelyn Wegener and Robert Eckermann (QEH)

### Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

21/03 Sam & Josh Doecke  
 22/03 Michelle Stewart, Justin Jaensch  
 24/03 Luke Mitchell  
 25/03 David Miegel  
 26/03 Karl Krueger, Leila Dahlitz  
 27/03 Doreen Borchardt, Dulcie Kube, Daniel Doecke



### SERVICE GUILD—What is it? What do they do?

**We meet four times a year, the first Wednesday morning of February, March, August & November.**

*We set up the Harvest Thanksgiving display  
 Organise the Easter Breakfast  
 Light luncheons and afternoon teas for funerals  
 Provide the palms for Palm Sunday  
 Prepare the Advent Wreath & Christmas Tree with decorations  
 See to Altar Linens, Church Paramounts & Silverware  
 Flowers for Worship Services and Funerals  
 Do a JDHall kitchen stock-take  
 Care for the interior of the JDHall and maintain soft furnishings*

We are looking for more people to help us continue doing this work and to be on our committee.

**Contact Joyce Stiller (President) ph 8532 1116 if you can help.**

## Welcome

We welcome all visitors and pray you are made to feel at home here in our congregation.



TODAY at the second service we celebrate God's presence through baptism.

Parker South has been brought here today by his parents, Jarrod & Kylie, to be baptised.

Please pray for this Family and thank God for His gift of Baptism.

### CHOIR PRACTICE

Every Wednesday night at Christ Church after Lenten Service.



### PLEASE NOTE

**Bob & Vera Appleby have moved from Murray Bridge.**

**Bob** now lives with his daughter Vicki at 10 Sandow Ave, Pooraka and **Vera** lives at the Ross Robertson Memorial Care Centre at 19 Cornhill Rd, Victor Harbour.

### WATERFORD FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Monday, 21st March at 7.00 pm at the home of Wes and Joyce Herrmann. Our new topic will be "What will we do in heaven?", based on a series of CD's by Greg Laurie. Hope to see you there!

### ATTENTION—RE TREASURER'S & CHAIRPERSON'S LUNCHEON

Saturday 26th March. Could the ladies making the morning tea please bring it to the office or my place by Friday morning (if possible) and the ladies making the savoury please bring to the JDHall on Saturday morning  
 Many Thanks, Yolette.



To Graham Schubert for making our new "Donation Boxes" - they look great.

### NEEDED

The congregation is looking for another pianist/keyboardist to play once a month at the 10:45 service. Please prayerfully consider if you are called to this ministry. Contact Jan at the church office.

### OWL DRIVE STUDY GROUP

Monday 21st March at Owl Drive Community Centre. We meet at 9.00 am to continue the study of "Growing as God's People - Speaking In Love (The Eight Commandment) You are welcome to come.

### HOPE STUDY GROUP

Tuesday 22nd March at 7.00 pm meeting at John and Val Spencer's home to complete the study "The Bible - Handling the Bible"

# This Week

<b>Mon</b>	<b>21st Mar</b>	9am 9:30am 7pm	Owl Drive Study Gp— Village Centre Cards, Coffee & Chat—Ed Cen Waterford Fellowship Gp— Wes & Joyce's
<b>Tue</b>	<b>22nd Mar</b>	6pm 7pm	Barnabas F/Gp— Basil & Helen Schubert's HOPE Study Gp— John & Val Spencer's
<b>Wed</b>	<b>23rd Mar</b>	10am 7pm 7pm 8pm	<b>Lenten Service—Mannum Luth Church</b> <b>Lenten Service—Holy Cross</b> Confirmation Choir Practice
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>24th Mar</b>	9.30 am 10am 11:30am 1:30pm	Bible Study Group—Ed Cen <b>Bulletin notice deadline</b> Staff Devotion Koinos F/Gp—21 Francis St
<b>Fri</b>	<b>25th Mar</b>		
<b>Sat</b>	<b>26th Mar</b>	9am	Chairperson & Treasurer's Day—JDHhall
<b>Sun</b>	<b>27th Mar</b>	<b>MONARTO</b> 9am <b>CHRIST CHURCH</b> 9am <b>CHRIST CHURCH</b> 10:45 am	Discussion in Hall Worship in Lent Communion

## Can You Assist?

Four church leaders (2 men & 2 women) from various Aboriginal communities in Central Aust will be attending the District Conference at Unity College on Sat 28 & Sun 29 Ma. I am seeking billets for these people if anyone can help. They will require accommodation for 3 nights (Friday—Sunday inclusive). Please contact Pastor Rob Borgas, Finke River Mission, Alice Springs ph (08) 89532920

## FOR SALE

Table Tops & 2 sets of legs (Trestles) 3.6 mts long Cost \$40 a set. Available at the end of March Contact Ken Zadow ph 8532 2048

## SUNDAY APRIL 3rd

The Gideon's will be speaking at ALL services on this day. There will be an opportunity to support this ministry through a Retiring Offering.

# An Invitation

Is extended to the congregation to support Bridge Kidz by sharing a meal and fellowship with the children and their families at 5:30pm on Friday April 1st at the Junior School Campus of Unity College.

**For Catering purposes please indicate attendance** (you will be given the opportunity for a show of hands at the Sunday service when this invitation is spoken about.)

This is an outreach opportunity for the congregation to support Bridge Kidz.

## LENTEN SERVICES

*The theme for the Lenten season is Characters of the Passion.*

*Peter & the Disciples, Mother Mary 7 the women, Judas & the conspirators, Pilate, Herod & the soldiers and Caiphus and the crowd.*

This year these services will be happening at Christ Church and at Mannum Lutheran Church. The two pastors from Mannum Pastor Mike Steicke and Pastor Alwin Schirmer will be assisting Pastor Tim, Pastor John Thiel and Pastor Andy Gierus.

**PLEASE NOTE** The Mannum services are at 10am and the Murray Bridge ones at 7pm each Wednesday. The pastor who is scheduled will lead the service at both Mannum and Murray Bridge on the day.

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**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**Christ Church**  
 Services as other years  
 6:30am - Traditional  
 7:30am—JDHall for Easter breakfast  
 followed by 9am service—  
 Contemporary.  
**Monarto**  
 The Easter service is at 7am followed  
 by morning tea with hot cross buns.  
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## MONARTO Easter week

The congregation meets on Wednesday 20th April for a Passover Meal at 6pm.

No Service on Maundy Thurs

9am service on Good Friday



### Sharing

Share your highs and lows for the week.  
When were you baptised? What makes you  
feel good about life?

### Reading:

John 3:1-17

Read through using three symbols:

? = question.

☼ = sun for when the light comes on.

→ = arrow where Jesus is hitting the mark  
in your heart calling you to action.

### Talking it Over

Why do you think Nicodemus went to see  
Jesus at night? What do you think is John's  
reason for mentioning this?

Jesus talks about entering the kingdom of  
God. What is the kingdom of God? What  
comes to your mind when you hear this  
phrase?

What do you think of when you hear the  
phrase; 'born again'.

What is significant about Jesus coming  
from heaven, when you want to know  
about heaven?

Jesus predicts his crucifixion, what does  
this show you about Jesus?

What's your response to John 3:16?

What's your response to John 3:17

What question would you like to ask Jesus?

### Praying

Give thanks to Jesus for giving his life that  
you might be claimed as the Father's loved  
child through baptism.

Pray for each other; for the wisdom to live  
from what God has done for you through  
Jesus. Pray that Jesus uses the catastrophes  
around to bring people to know him and  
find a security greater than any wealth.  
Enjoy being in Jesus' company.

### Verse for the Week

"For God did not send his Son into the  
world to condemn the world, but to save  
the world." John 3:17

### Character Conversation Questions

How have you been a role-model for Jesus?

Have you been tempted sexually?

Have you been tempted financially?

Have you been tempted to treat people  
poorly to get what you want, or because  
you've been feeling grumpy?

Have you been tempted to neglect people  
in favour of things?

What addictive temptation do you face?

Did you finish your reading and hear from  
God? What are you going to do?

Have you been honest with yourself?

### Readings

#### Sunday 20 March

Genesis 12:1-4a

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

**Monday** Mk 1-3

**Tuesday** Mk 4-6

**Wednesday** Mk 7-9

**Thursday** Mk 10-12

**Friday** Mk 13-15

**Saturday** Mk 16

#### Sunday 27 March

Exodus 17:1-7

Romans 5:5-11

John 4:5-42

