

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2013

December 24th— Christmas Eve Service—7pm at Unity Stadium  
- 7pm at Monarto

25th - Christmas Day—9am at Christ Church  
- 9am—Monarto

31st—New Year's Eve— 7pm at Christ Church—  
combined with Holy Cross & Monarto

March 2014 16th—Annual General Meeting

### *Lutheran Church*

### **ORGANISTS - an exciting 2014 Diary Date for you !**

Zion Glynde Lutheran Church is hosting an “ORGANISTS’ MEET AND SWAP”

on MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>, 12 noon to 5pm

*This will be an exciting forum for musicians to share ideas and music and to get a few new tips for accompanying hymns and liturgy ...*

A net-working day for well experienced organists, those new to playing for worship services and those pianists who are just thinking about it !

Watch for finer details of the day's Program at the beginning of February, 2014.

You are welcome to contact: Joy Mildren, [joymildren@hotmail.com](mailto:joymildren@hotmail.com), or 8367 9969



*Christ Church Lutheran*  
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

### *Zion Lutheran*

427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



3rd Sunday of Advent  
15th December 2013



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.

### Please Note

*Pastor Tim is planning to use the book "Crazy Love" by Francis Chan as a resource for a series he is running before Easter 2014. It is currently available at the Bookshop from Denise or at the Church Office from Jan. Cost \$16. Get your copy early and do some pre-reading.*



**To Pastor Peter Welke who is preaching at Monarto this week**

### NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE

7pm at Christ Church.

*This will be a combined service with Holy Cross and Monarto.*

Please bring a plate of supper to share for fellowship after the service.

**No one has been rostered for this service—could we please have some volunteers to warden, greet, read & run the P/A system.**

### DECORATING CHRISTMAS

#### TREE IN THE CHURCH

The Service Guild will be decorating on Sunday 22nd at 4:30pm and would appreciate helpers especially someone to climb a ladder.



the **FUNERAL** of **LES AHRNS** who died last Sunday was held on Friday 13th December. Our thoughts and prayers are with Joyce and her children & family.

## ~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. 5:16-1.*

- We think of Joyce Ahrns & her family and friends as they mourn the passing of Les. May they know the comfort & strength of Jesus as He surrounds them with His love.
- Pray for all students & staff as they have finished school for the year. Pray that they have a safe & happy holiday where they can be refreshed, relaxed and ready for the next year.
- Pray for everyone in our community as they face Christmas; all the problems the world creates for them at this time of the year.
- Pray for families that don't get along together—ask that Christmas may be a time when they may attempt to reconcile.

We ask for God's blessings for Sandra Thiele (Murray Bridge Hosp), Lil Fiegert, Marilyn Schultz Elva Heinrich (Hosp), Ev Kuchel, John Kuchel, John Lohmeyer, Gordon Schultz, Gwen Traeger, & also for their carers.

### Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

16/12 Nita Grieger, Shirley Lutze, Alex Hein

17/12 Cooper Hampel

18/12 Emily Miegel

20/12 Hayley Pohl, Celina Klenke, Jonathan Jaensch

21/12 Liz Frahn, Pat Kuss, Joan Martin, Mary Schenscher

22/12 Cheryl Doecke

### ROSTERS—WE NEED YOU!!

We are seeking people to fill

- 1 Grounds roster—May, Oct & Dec
- 2 Usher/wardens for both services.

Please prayerfully consider if you can help with any of these areas.

### Lutheran Media

presents **Face to Face** every Sunday at .45pm on 107.9 Life FM or 8.00am on 5RPH 1197



**22<sup>nd</sup> Dec**

**Blue Christmas - Rob Schubert**

# Rosters

**MONARTO** 22nd Dec 9am  
**Wardens** Colin & Raelene  
**Reader** Rob Thiele  
**Tea/Coffee** Raelene & Colin Wegener

**CHRIST CHURCH** 22nd Dec  
 9am

**10:45am**  
**Elders** Gary Beaglehall Marcus Jaensch  
**Wardens** Allan & Dawn Hampel David Doecke  
**Music** Alison Grieger Ian Colley  
**Reader** Bruno Lablack Marlene Schubert  
**Greeters** Joyce Herrmann Graham & Marlene Schubert  
 Coral Coulter  
**Flowers** Tania Walding  
**Data Projector** Kate Frahn Fiona Mann  
**PA** David Pech Lees Family  
**Tea/Coffee** James & Joyce Stiller, Glad Jaeschke  
**General Prayer** Gerry Korzeba  
**DVD Videoing** Damien Doecke  
**DVD Copying** Bruno Lablack  
**Offering Counter** Dawn Schopp

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Children's Address** Gloria Pohl  
**Activity Leader** Gloria Pohl  
**Helpers** Deb Colley, Hayley Pohl, Sarah Puust

**ALC WORKSHOPS**

Overview of the Bible—  
 17th—20th Feb 2014

Overview of Christian Faith  
 —1-2 July & 24-25 July 2014

Contact 1800 625 193 OR  
 email st@alc.edu.au

**CLWEND 4-6 Jan 2014**

Are you able to support these young people by donating biscuits, cake or slice for morning & afternoon teas (*no nuts*) Please include a list of ingredients. Collection will be on Friday 3rd Jan—so please have your donation to the church office by then.

We invite you and your family to:



Celebrate the birth of Jesus in a messy way

Lets take time to stop and reflect on the true message of Christmas. Bring your friends (and their family) and enjoy a couple of hours of fun, creation, celebration and food.



**TODAY**  
**4-6pm**  
**John Dohler Hall**

**MESSY CHURCH DONATIONS**

We will be celebrating Christmas **TODAY** We are seeking donations of party food to share for the meal. We have a number of families that come along from outside of the regular church family and this is an opportunity for you to show that they are loved. **Please contact Tamra Lees on 8531 1918 if you can help in any way.**

# This Week

**Readings** Isaiah 35:1-10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11: 2-11  
**Hymns** 880, AT 384, 822, 839, 18, 870

<b>Mon</b>	<b>16th Dec</b>	9:30am 7:30pm	Cards & Coffee—Ed Centre Admin Team—Ed Cen
<b>Tues</b>	<b>17th Dec</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>18th Dec</b>	11:30am	<i>Pastor's Day Off</i> <i>Film Morning—"Sanctuary on Seventh"</i>
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>19th Dec</b>	9:30am 10am	Bible Study—Ed Cen <i>Bulletin Notice deadline</i>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>20th Dec</b>	6:30pm	<b>YOUTH Christmas Dinner— JDHall</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>21st Dec</b>		
<b>Sun</b>	<b>22nd Dec</b>		<b>MONARTO</b> 9am Morning Praise <b>CHRIST</b> 9am Morning Praise <b>CHURCH</b> 10:45am Communion 2pm <b>Set up for Christmas Eve—Unity</b> 4:30pm <i>Decorating Tree in Church</i>

## NOTICE TO LLL DEPOSITORS

The interest rate on LLL interest bearing Savings Accounts will be 3.50% from 1st Dec 2013.

**THANKS** again to **ALL** who helped in any way with the **Christmas Tree Festival**—we realised **\$3586.80.**

**YOUTH** **CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
 Friday 20th December at 6:30pm in JDHall.  
*Bring food to share.*  
 Check Holly Schiller's Facebook page.  
 (We're getting the band together).

**2014 DEVOTION BOOK**  
 Now available. "Time Out With Jesus". Cost \$22. Contact Dennis Pfeiffer 8531 1188

## LUNCH & FILM MORNING

Wednesday 18th December—Lunch at 11:30am at "Sanctuary on Seventh" followed by the movie "The Butler" at the Cameo at 12:50pm. Ph Yolette 8532 2130 for **bookings** & more details.

**SUNDAY SCHOOLS**  
 are looking for donations of child-friendly lollies to be given out at the Christmas Eve Service.. Lollies or monetary donations can be left at the church office by Thursday 19th December OR contact Deb Colley 0408 893 726.



Thank you



"To our congregational members who supplied so many dozen eggs and tins of fruit salad for last Sunday Christmas Carols at the Racecourse. We appreciate your support for the mission outreach by our schools chaplains here in Murray Bridge. Many thanks from the Schools Ministry Group here in Murray Bridge, Gerry Korzeba."

# Who is Jesus?

Celebrate Christmas with  
the Lutheran Community of  
Murray Bridge

at Unity College – Owl Drive Murray Bridge

## Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24 December 7pm

Lutheran Community of Murray Bridge  
Holy Cross – Christ Church – Unity College

Christmas Day  
9am  
at Christ Church

9am—Monarto

New Year's Eve  
7pm  
at Christ Church



## CAN YOU HELP??

Preparation for Christmas Eve service.

### Sunday 22nd December at 2pm at Unity College Stadium

Setting up the chairs – Need people with trailers to shift chairs to the Stadium, and to set out chairs that will already be in the Stadium. **Meet at 2pm at Unity.** (Unity will set up the stage area and roll out the carpet.)

### Sunday 29th December at 2pm

Packing up chairs and delivering back.

Singing Group to lead the Carols – please contact Christ Church office—ph 8532 6553

What a great opportunity we have to invite people to come and hear the Good News. An opportunity that is blessed by the fact that people want to come and sing carols and hear the story.