

## COMING EVENTS

Nov 22nd – 6pm Carols in the Bush at Rockleigh Uniting Church  
 28th ADVENT EVENING – JDHall

### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SERVICES

Christmas Eve—Christ Church 7pm at the Steeple  
 Monarto— meal at 6pm—  
 followed by service at 7pm  
 Christmas Day—9am—Monarto  
 10:30am—Christ Church



There is no service at Christ Church on New Year's Eve - you are welcome to join an Ecumenical service at 7pm at a location to be announced.



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

**Zion Lutheran**  
 427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



**LUTHERAN CHURCH** Last Sunday of the Church Year  
 OF AUSTRALIA 22nd November 2015  
*where love comes to life*

<b>Christ Church &amp; Monarto Congregation Contacts</b>		
<u>Monarto Elders</u>	Haydn Hein	ph 8532 3176,
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<u>Monarto Chairman</u>	Trevor Hilton	ph 0439 839 022
<u>Monarto Secretary</u>	Raelene Wegener	ph 8538 5444
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<u>Christ Church Elders</u>	Dawn Hampel	ph 8532 4138
	Denise Lohmeyer	ph 8531 0935
	David Pech	ph 0420 849 344
	Janelle Traeger	ph 8535 4290
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<u>Chairman</u>	Adrian Puust	ph 85310833, 0417 827 131
<u>Cong. Secretary</u>	Cheryl Doecke	ph 0427 804 663, 8572 6019
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*Count down to Christmas*  
**HUMILITY**

God + Humble Mary  
 + Manger & Straw  
 + Swaddling Cloths  
 = Birth of My Saviour

God uses the "ordinary - everyday" in His plans to bring His love to mankind.  
 A humble obedient girl in a small village;  
 A manger and straw;  
 Strips of cloth, to wrap a baby.

*Are you humble enough for Him to use YOU?*

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

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**A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL - Toll Free Number 1800 644 628**

## 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.

### Welcome

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

Thanks to  
**Pastor David Christian**  
who is preaching at Monarto and at the Town Hall today.



# Advent Evening

Next Sat 28th November JDHall

Pooled tea at 6:30pm (please bring a Savoury & sweet plate to share).

Devotional thoughts by Pastor David Christian.

Advent programme to prepare for Christmas with items and sharing.

Home by 9pm.

*Bring your friends and family along.*



## SUMMER CAMP 2016

For youth in years 7-12

8th to 10th January at Camp Kedron, Barmera.

Cost \$70 (after Dec 25th cost \$80)

Free bus from Mt Gambier will pick up in Murray Bridge on the way through.

Registrations online at [events.blueprintministries.org.au](http://events.blueprintministries.org.au) or contact Chelsea 8267 5211.

### **KEEP BRINGING IN THOSE PAPERS**

**Thank you for your support of this ministry.**

If you are dropping off material to the paper shed please make sure there is nothing with names and addresses (personal information) on it.

### Christmas With the Koch's

Tim & Yolette will be celebrating Christmas at home this year. If you would like to join them in the JDHall for lunch please contact Yolette on 8532 2130 for further details.



**Teen Challenge continues to experience a greater number of people seeking assistance. As you heard they must now rely on donations as they have no funding. Can you help by donating non-perishable goods? It would be appreciated if you could think about donating something Christmassy for hampers. eg Christmas Cake or Pudding, fruit, jelly, lollies etc These can be left at the office or in the box in the foyer of the church. Thank you.**

### SPIN 2016

(camp for young people in yr 4-7).  
January Tues 12th– Fri 15th.

Venue: Camp Kendron, Barmera  
\$180 per camper (\$200 after 18th Nov)

Spend a week learning about God through activities, worship, new friends & lakeside adventures.

Register at  
[www.blueprintministries.org.au/camps/spin](http://www.blueprintministries.org.au/camps/spin)

## ~ 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.*



- Pray that we would be like Mary—that we would be the Lord's servant and be willing to accept whatever the Lord wants.
- Father, we pray for the preparations for the coming Advent Evening—please bless the people who are working to make this happen and also those who will come along and begin preparing for the Advent season.
- Lord God, We ask for God's blessings for Hedley Kluge, Quentin Barolo, Adut Chol, Rita Faehrmann, Darren Piltz, Joyleen Stiller, Lil Fiegert, Roy & Gwen Traeger, & also for their carers.

### Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

23/11	Rob Frahn
25/11	Sydney Wohfeil, Emily Mueller
26/11	Liam Joppich, James Stiller
27/11	Marcus Jaensch, Simon Franke, Joan Kluge, Val Kuchel, Joy Lienert
29/11	Tamara Wohfeil

## **CLING ONLY TO CHRIST**

In his response to the Paris terrorist attacks, LCA Bishop John Henderson has urged us to 'cling only to Christ, who does not promise that our life will be without pain, anxiety or uncertainty, but that nothing—even death—can separate us from his love. Proclaiming ... the love of Jesus and our safety in God is the only message that can give comfort in a world of fear.'

Read the full message on your LCA website

[www.lca.org.au](http://www.lca.org.au)

## LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Thursday 26th Nov at 7:30pm in Ed Cen.

### **Feedback from Christmas Tree Festival.**

### **Annual General Mtg.**

*Please bring something non-perishable and Christmassy to go to Teen Challenge for Christmas Hampers.*



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Please note— Subs are now due- \$20 if you get the "Lutheran Women" Magazine - otherwise \$10.

## INVESTED IN TEXTILES

A retrospective wearable art exhibition by Samantha Pope. The Murray Bridge Studio Gallery 18th Nov—20th Dec.

A display of many of her early wearable art works which were mostly in the form of vests with freehand machine embroidery.

In later years Samantha experimented with needle felting and evolved more detailed textures incorporating beading and bobbin work.

## Thank You

The Senior Care Team would like to thank everyone who helped with preparations & clearing up after our recent Christmas Lunch. Also, thank you to those who came along to enjoy the lunch & entertainment.

### Congratulations & God's blessings

to **Emily Mueller** (Miegel) who last Friday 20th Nov celebrated her 21st birthday. We hope you had a great day Emily.

## WOMEN'S GUILD

Wed 9th Dec.

Meet at 10am at Holy Cross Meeting Room. (NOTE change of time and venue)

Devotion: L Rosenzweig.

Offering: ALWS

Lunch at the Church of Christ, Seventh St.

2 course roast for \$15 a head. 30 seats available.

Bookings Marilyn Smith 8532 6751 or 0427 020 542 OR Margaret Warnest 8532 1334.

# Coming Week ...

**Readings:** Daniel 7:9,10, 13,14:; Rev 1:4b-8; Luke 1:26-38

**Hymns:** AT 551, AT296, Mary's Boy Child, AT 132

<b>Mon</b>	<b>23rd Nov</b>	9:30am 7pm	Cards & Coffee— Ed Cen Waterford F/Gp— June's
<b>Tues</b>	<b>24th Nov</b>	10:30am	English Lessons—Ed Cen
<b>Wed</b>	<b>25th Nov</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Confirmation—Holy Cross</b>
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>26th Nov</b>	9:30am <b>7:30pm</b> 7:30pm	Bible Study—Ed Cen <b>Admin Team—JDHall</b> Ladies F/Ship— Ed Cen
<b>Fri</b>	<b>27th Nov</b>		
<b>Sat</b>	<b>28th Nov</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Advent Evening —JDHall</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>29th Nov</b>	<b>1st Sunday Advent</b> 9am <b>10:45am</b> <b>12:30pm</b> 9am	Worship <b>Communion</b> <b>Christ Church</b> Barnabas F/Gp— Christmas break-up at Riverside, Tailem Bend Worship <b>Monarto</b>

God is never too busy to hear your prayer, and He is never too preoccupied to meet your need. He loves you, and because He loves you, He loves to provide and care for you. It's who He is!!

**MONARTO** Nov 29th 9am  
**Wardens** Colin & Raelene  
**Reader** Barolo  
**Tea/Coffee** Jo & Maudie O'Toole

## Rosters

**CHRIST CHURCH** 29th November  
 9am

<b>Elders</b>	Ian Kluge	<b>10:45</b>	Janet Emmins
<b>Wardens</b>	John & Gloria Pohl		David & Joy Lienert
			Yolette Koch
<b>Music</b>	Joyce Stiller		Josh Rance
<b>Reader</b>	John Pohl		Cheryl Miegel
<b>Greeters</b>	C Coulter, J Herrmann		David & Ann Doecke
<b>Flowers</b>	Yvonne Lablack		
<b>Data Projector</b>	Coralie Mattner		Fiona Mann
<b>PA</b>	David Pech		Roger Hampel
<b>Tea/Coffee</b>	Irene Mann, Helen Schubert		Janet Emmins
<b>General Prayer</b>			Jan Brodde
<b>Offering Counter</b>			
<b>DVD Recording</b>	Ron Jericho		
<b>DVD Copying</b>	Basil Zadow		



**SUNDAY SCHOOL** 22nd Nov Leader Tamra Lees  
 Helper Sophie Stiller

Loving God we wait for the world to change. We get impatient and wonder "Why don't you do something about the mess we've made!" Help us remember that you gave us two hands. You gave us the greatest teacher the world has ever seen. We are now the hands and feet and eyes and heart and life of your Son. Help us to hold the baby in our arms, take his light into our hearts and let us show His love to all the world. Amen.



# TAKING FAITH home

22 November 2015  
LAST SUNDAY B

THIS WEEK'S THEME:

## Jesus is the King of kings

### mealtime prayer

Blessed be to God our King for health and food, for love and friends, for everything his goodness sends. Amen.

### blessing

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