

## **FREEWILL OFFERINGS**

### **Offerings you have made for the month of June, 2017.**

REG	\$4,790	Budget	\$4,250
Offering Plate	\$7,647	Budget	\$8,077
TOTAL	\$12,437	Budget	\$12,327

### **OFFERINGS JANUARY – JUNE:**

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget to Date</u>
REG	\$27,215	\$25,500
Offering Plate	\$50,173	\$52,500
TOTALS	\$77,388	\$78,000

Sadly, we are gradually falling behind in our budget for offerings. Also, hardly any money has come in this year for Mission and Outreach. Thank you so much to all those who are trying to help make up the shortfall that we are experiencing.

Average Church attendance for June: 1<sup>st</sup> service 82, 2<sup>nd</sup> Service 74. CHIL 43

In response to God's love, members have also generously donated to the following.

Myanmar \$50

Australian Lutheran College \$20

Thank you to all those who have generously donated food to Teen Challenge over the Month.



*Christ Church Lutheran*  
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

*Zion Lutheran*  
427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
16<sup>th</sup> July 2017



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

## **Christ Church & Monarto Congregation Contacts**

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

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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.

**Welcome**

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



Colin Schenscher and family thanks everyone for their sympathy, love, support and attendance at Mary's funeral



Janelle Traeger is manning the office while Yvonne is on leave this week.

*I can do all things through CHRIST who strengthens me.*  
Philippians 4:13

**Chaplain Visits**

Due to privacy laws hospitals can no longer notify Pastors or Chaplains of your stay. If you would like a visit while in hospital please contact the district office or our church office to arrange one.

Denise has a copy of the book **'Martin Luther'** by Pastor Mark Worthing in the bookshop - \$30.  
*Be quick or she can order more in*

Thank you to Pastor Peter Welke who is preaching at Monarto today.

**Rosters**

♥ "COMMUNION"

		23rd July	30th July	6-Aug	
<b>Monarto</b>	<b>Service Time</b>	9am	10.30am	10.30am ♥	
	<b>Wardens</b>	Rob & Liz		Barolo Family	
	<b>Readers</b>	Terry Franklin	Barolo	Rob Thiele	
	<b>Tea Coffee</b>	Joy & Trevor			
<b>Christ Church</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Elder/Assist</b>	J Traeger	G Beauglehall	I Kluge ♥
		<b>Wardens</b>	B & L Doecke I Pumpa	V Spencer I Kluge	A&D Hampel
		<b>Readers</b>	P Hammond	H Courtney	C Coulter
		<b>Greeters</b>	A & R Grieger	B & Y Lablack	J Ahrns F Kerkham
		<b>Organist</b>	June	Alison	Glynniss
		<b>Flowers</b>	P Kuss	R Schrapel	
		<b>Tea/coffee/milk</b>	D Borchardt B Zadow	J Kluge j Traeger	J&J Stiller
		<b>PA</b>	David	David	David
		<b>Data Projector</b>	D Hampel	C Mattner	B Frahn
	<b>10:45am</b>	<b>Elder/Assist</b>	D Pfeiffer ♥	D Doecke ♥	D Pfeiffer
		<b>Wardens</b>		G&M Schubert	
		<b>Readers</b>	M Schulz	D Doecke	D Pfeiffer
		<b>Greeters</b>	G & M Schulz	Piltz family	B&J Martin
		<b>Music</b>			
		<b>Prayers</b>	D Schiller	G Schubert	K Schrapel
		<b>PA</b>	Roger	Roger	
		<b>Data Projector</b>	Y Stiller	J Brodde	S Kuchel
		<b>Counter</b>	D Schiller	J Brodde	V Jaensch
<b>Sunday School</b>					
	<b>Leader</b>				
	<b>Helper</b>				
	<b>Grounds Roster</b>	C Schenscher	C Schenscher	M Schopp	
	<b>Water &amp; Care</b>	R Herrmann	Yolette	Yolette	

## Coming Week ...

**Readings:** Genesis 25:19-34 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

<b>Mon-Fri</b>	<b>17-21st</b>	<b>CLW Camp, Karnkendi, Nelson</b>	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>17th July</b>	9:30am	Cards and Coffee
		7:30pm	Leadership
<b>Tues</b>	<b>18th July</b>	11am	Resthaven Ecumenical Service
<b>Wed</b>	<b>19th July</b>		<b>No Confirmation</b>
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>20th July</b>	<b>10am</b>	Bible Study
		<b>10am</b>	<b>Bulletin notices due</b>
		10:30am	Lerwin Ecumenical Service
		7pm	Ladies Fellowship, Murray Heights
<b>Sat</b>	<b>22nd July</b>	<b>10am</b>	Working Bee
<b>Sun</b>	<b>23rd July</b>		<b>Christ Church</b>
		9am	Worship
		<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Time for Prayer - Cave</b>
		10:45am	Communion
			<b>Monarto</b>
		9am	Worship
		11am	Youth - Exploring Mannum Waterfalls

## COMING EVENTS

<b>July</b>	<b>29th</b>	Blueprint Ministries Appeals dinner, Tea Tree Gully
<b>Aug</b>	<b>13th</b>	Men's Group
	<b>14-17th</b>	Red Cross Blood Bank Visit
	<b>26th</b>	Pastor August Fricke, Asia Focus Aust, JDH
	<b>27th</b>	Walk-a-thon, Lavender Federation Trail
	<b>30th-1st Sep</b>	Thrift Shop
<b>Oct</b>	<b>13-14th</b>	SENT 2017 Conference
	<b>22nd</b>	Reformation Sunday, Unity College
<b>Nov</b>	<b>28th</b>	Senior Care Christmas Lunch JD Hall
<b>Dec</b>	<b>8-10th</b>	Christmas Tree Festival
<b>2018</b>	<b>6-12th Jan</b>	LCA Young Adults National Retreat, Victor Harbor
	<b>4-6th May</b>	SA-NT District Convention of Synod

## Packing Prayers And Love Into Shoeboxes



Have you started to get items ready for your shoebox - if you need ideas please contact the church office

### Confirmation Class

No  
Confirmation  
over school  
Holidays'



## GARAGE SALE

### Expressions of Interest

We have had enquiries as to whether we are holding another "GARAGE SALE" in the JDH.

If you are interested please contact Yolette 8532 2130 to leave your name.  
(No date has been set as yet)



We will be following the series '**Moving Mountains**' an 8 session study by John Eldredge from the 10th Sept.

Some groups are starting earlier as they don't meet weekly. We will shortly have DVD's and study guides available if you need to borrow them.

If you would like to purchase the book '**Moving Mountains**' please see Denise in the book shop - available for \$20.

## GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

**The Blood Service Mobile Blood Donor Centre will be visiting:**

**Mon 14 Aug 12pm-7pm**  
**Tues 15 Aug 11am-7:30pm**  
**Wed 16 Aug 11am-7:30pm**  
**Thurs 17 Aug 7:30am-3pm**

**Make an appointment today**  
131495 or [donateblood.com.au](http://donateblood.com.au)

**St George Chamber Choir  
Concert  
Sunday 6th August  
Bethlehem Church, Adel 3pm  
retiring offering after concert.**



Renowned St George Chamber Choir from Nordlingen, Bavaria, on the first leg of their Australian tour! The choir is made up of 30-45 experienced singers and the concert will feature music of German composers from 1500-2000, including Luther, Pachelbel, Bach, Mendelssohn and Brahms.

## What happened to teachers in Lutheran schools in June 1917?

The greatest blow to the Australian Lutheran Church in World War I was the closure of its SA schools. Some were re-established within a decade, and today the sector flourishes. But what became of the 50 teachers who lost their positions on 30 June 1917? Jen Zerner has investigated this as an Adelaide University project, and will be the guest speaker at the next Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA) meeting on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30 pm in Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place in the city. All welcome, supper & gold coin donation.

**Lutheran  
ARCHIVES**  
*Preserving our story*



Next men's gathering  
Sunday 13th August (afternoon)

*Car trial followed by BBQ*

Lead by the guys from Monarto

Watchout for further details

See you there

**WARRIOR, ADVENTURER,  
REDEEMER**



## ~ 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*

- Dear Lord, grant to all who mourn a confidence in Your fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. We especially pray for Colin Schenscher and his family on the passing of Mary last week
- Please pray for Pastor Stephen Schultz, his family and his congregation as he considers his call to the role of Assistant Bishop for Mission in the SA/NT District.
- Pray for the leaders and participants who are attending Christian Life Week
- Lord God, We ask for God's blessings for Murray Piltz (RAH), Daryl Klose, Audrey Jaensch, Lores Frahn, Margaret Jenke, Sandra Thiele, Irene Kuchel, Sandra Healey, Henk Visser, Dawn Jaensch, Joyleen Stiller & also for their carers.

*If you have any prayer requests or would like to be included in this list please contact Yvonne in the office*

### Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

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|------|---|
| 12/7 | Philip Miegel   |
| 16/7 | Eloise Hampel, Ken Zadow                                |
| 17/7 | Olivia Doecke, Bruce Hampel, Roger Hampel, Oliver North |
| 18/7 | Pat Pfeiffer  |
| 19/7 | Helen Paech, Matthew Brodde                             |
| 20/7 | Julie Frahn, Ian Pumpa                                  |
| 21/7 | Dwayne Barolo, Lil Fiegert, David Pech                  |



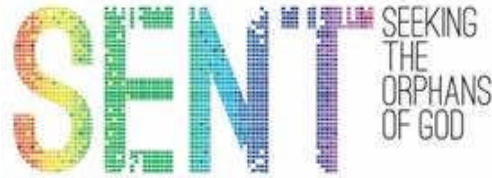
## From the Leadership Team

If you have any recommendations on what to do with the money we have been blessed with please write it down with your name included and pass onto the Leadership Team. We have been asking God what He wants us to do. We ask that you also pray for them as they seek God's guidance.

### We are in desperate need of wardens for the second service.

If you can light candles and lock doors we need you now!

If you can help please contact the office.



### SENT 2017 CONFERENCE

Adelaide – 13 & 14 Oct 2017

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

Friday 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm

Saturday 9.00 am – 4.00 pm

Registration: \$65 (lunch included)

**Christ Church will pay \$50 towards any members wishing to attend!**

Come and see, hear, imagine, dream and be refreshed with an ever growing network of people engaged in local mission and church planting at **SENT 2017**.

### Guild Invitation

to St Michaels  
Women's Guild Luncheon

26th July 12noon

Cost \$10

cars leave Holy Cross at 11am

## WALK-A-THON



Fundraising walk for Refugees.

Lavender Federation Trail

Murray Bridge to Monarto Oval

**Sunday 27th August**

More details to follow



Christ Church and Holy Cross Youth are invited to meet together for fun and fellowship

### Exploring Mannum Waterfalls

Sunday 23rd July

Meet 11:30am at Holy Cross

BYO Picnic Lunch

Next meetings:

Friday 11th Aug

Sunday 27th Aug.

Would you like to be involved in any way? Please contact the church office.

### COMPASS

The Documentary on  
**Bush Preachers**

is available from the office as a DVD or MP4 if you missed this.

*As Hermannsburg Mission celebrates its 140th anniversary in the 500th year of the Lutheran Church, it continues the tradition of holding open air bush camps with indigenous pastors. They come from hundreds of miles away to listen and discuss in their own languages.*



### For Your Information

Pastor Matt Buse from Tailm Bend Lutheran Parish has accept a position of Graduate Assistant at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne

### Stronger Together... ...In Prayer

Each Sunday there will be an opportunity to get together between services for prayer in the cave at 10:15am.



See the notice board for this week's LCC bulletin news, for more information contact the church office

LCC  
Winter  
Appeal  
envelopes  
are in  
the church  
foyer

## Ladies Fellowship

You are invited to  
'A night among  
the Flowers'

Thurs 20th July 7pm

Village Centre,  
Murray Heights

Ladies please bring extra  
supper for our invited  
guests from Murray Heights

**ALL WELCOME**



*Please continue to bring in items of food to support Teen Challenge. Leave in box in church or bring into the office or to Teen Challenge direct.*

**Teen Challenge** Thanks you for your generous giving.



## Food Collection



## CAN YOU HELP?

**THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE  
ARE SEEKING ASSISTANCE  
AT A WORKING BEE ON  
SAT 22ND AUG  
STARTING AT 10AM  
TO FINISH FIXING PEWS ETC**

## HELP WANTED

We need some more people to help with the grounds roster for the months of October and December this year. Please prayerfully consider if you can assist.  
Thank you.



## PAPER SHED NEWS

Please bring in your newspapers, magazines, papers, cardboard and shredded paper to our paper shed to help raise funds.

Leave on or near the table, please **do not** use the bins that have been provided. The volunteers will sort through and place in correct bins themselves.

Please remember to shred any items that show names and address.

*Many thanks,*

*Eric & Pat Kuss*



## STUDY GRANTS



Study grants are available to members of the LCA for study that will better equip them for service within the church. Funding (normally up to \$5000 for any one grant) is to be used to cover costs associated with the study program or training project.

**Closing date for applications: Monday 31 July 2017**

**Refer to LCA website for more info**

## Presentation Pastor August Fricke - Asia Focus Australia

Saturday 26th August, 4pm

JD Hall, Swanport Rd, Murray Bridge

On Saturday 26th August Christ Church Murray Bridge, is hosting Pastor August Fricke, the CEO of Asia Focus who is going to do a presentation on the amazing mission work of Asia Focus Australia in SE Asia and other parts of the world, including Sudan.

After the presentation there will be a bring and share tea put on by Christ Church members.

Visitors from outside MB please contact Yvonne Stiller, Christ Church office to advise your attendance. 8532 6553.

For further information contact Dianne & Ian Kluge 0427 313537 or 85313449 Home.

## Coming events from other locations

**"In the steps of Jesus and Paul"** a trip of a lifetime, info session Sunday 16th July 3:30pm, Church of Christ Coffee shop - more info: Grant Spangenberg 0419 848 336 or 8532 2883

**Not Ashamed** Tour with Andrea Williams, Felixstow Sat 22nd July 6pm - more info at [www.notashamed.org.au](http://www.notashamed.org.au)

**Blueprint ministries Appeal dinner**, Tea Tree Gully, Sat 29th July - more info at [www.blueprintministries.org.au](http://www.blueprintministries.org.au)

**All Things New** - LCA exhibition by Dept of Visual Arts Website, Sun 6th Aug 2pm, St St Stephens, Adelaide - more info contact St Stephens office 8223 5491

**Reformation 500 Concert**, Tanunda Sat 28th Oct 2pm - more info at [www.barossaconvention.org](http://www.barossaconvention.org) Bookings on 8561 4299

BE *still* AND *listen*

### REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

LCA Young Adults National Retreat

The LCA Young Adults National Retreat is being held in the iconic seaside town of Victor Harbor 6-12th January 2018.

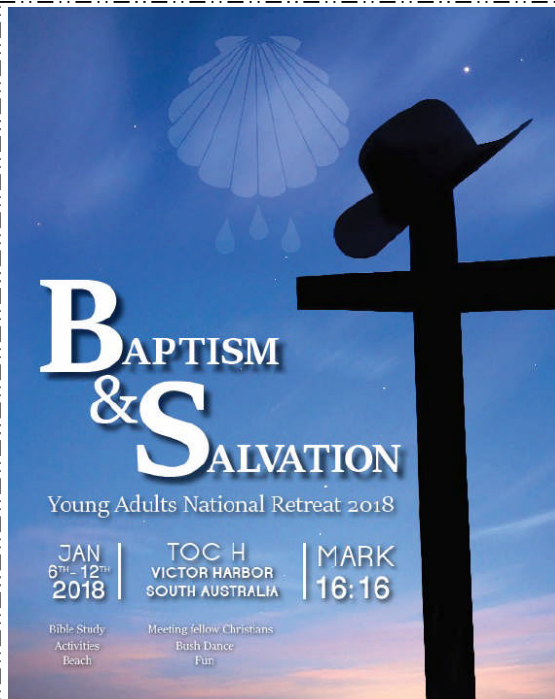
The central theme for the retreat is (Mark 16:16).

Baptism and Salvation

Further details can be found at: [youngadultsnational.wixsite.com/retreat](http://youngadultsnational.wixsite.com/retreat) or on

Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/events/892964560806539](https://www.facebook.com/events/892964560806539)



**BAPTISM & SALVATION**  
Young Adults National Retreat 2018

JAN 6<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> 2018 | TOUGH VICTOR HARBOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA | MARK 16:16

Bible Study Activities Beach | Meeting fellow Christians Bush Dance Fun

### Parents of children 11 years and older who would like to be admitted to Holy Communion:

Pastor Tim and Pastor Greg will be offering a three-week **"Step up to Communion"** program in October in conjunction with the current Confirmation program.



This program will offer your child instruction in the meaning and the significance of Holy Communion, culminating with Admission to the Sacrament of the Altar.

*The program will run at 7:00pm on Wednesdays 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October and 1<sup>st</sup> November.*

Your child will need to be accompanied by a parent/adult at each session.

Admission to the Sacrament of the Altar will take place as part of the weekly worship service on *Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November* at your home congregation (Christ Church or Holy Cross).

Please contact Pastor Tim or Pastor Greg if your child would like to be part of the program.

# MEN—CREATED FOR ADVENTURE

6 NIGHTS EXPLORING GOD'S SCRIPT WHEN HE CREATED YOU AS A MAN.

**STORY ADVENTURE  
COMMUNICATION BATTLE  
RESTORATION WOMAN**



7:30PM—9:30PM WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 6 WEEKS

AUG 2 9 16 23 30 SEP 6

ST MICHAEL'S 3 BALHANNAH ROAD, HAHNDORF

WHAT OTHERS HAVE SAID...

*"THE COURSE TOTALLY CHANGED ME AS A MAN OF GOD"*

*"HOW GOOD IT IS THAT BLOKES CAN GET TOGETHER TO SHARE LIFE AND BECOME STRONGER IN FAITH"*

*"IMPACTFUL AND A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING THAT CAN BE PUT INTO EVERYDAY LIFE"*

TO REGISTER OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:  
MICHAEL DUTSCHKE 0438 423 681 [MICHAELDUTSCHKE@LCA.ORG.AU](mailto:MICHAELDUTSCHKE@LCA.ORG.AU)

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An invitation is extended to celebrate  
**Bruce Heinrich`s 90th birthday**

At Lutheran Retirement Village Centre,  
50 Owl Drive, Murray Bridge SA

On **Saturday 5th August** 2017  
from 2pm-5pm.

RSVP to Alicia Graham 8723 5493  
or Bruce 8532 1884



This week Christ Church  
is organising the  
Ecumenical services at  
Lerwin and Resthaven.

Please come along and  
join in worship with our  
family at  
Resthaven and Lerwin.

**Resthaven**  
Tues 10th 11am  
**Lerwin**  
Thurs 12th 10:30am





16 July 2017

Hearing God's word brings new life and growth.



# Growing FAITH at home

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The colour of the season is GREEN to remind us of growth, life and hope.

Sunday's after Pentecost represent 'time of the church' – During the season between Christmas and Lent, we focus on the work of the Church in the world, Jesus' message to us, and our growth in Christ.

FAITH 5

## creative response



### share

Your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following question:

**Did God's word come alive for you today? In prayer, scripture, liturgy, music?**



### read

Daily Bible Readings

S	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Parable of the sower and seed
M	Leviticus 26:3-20	A rich and poor harvest
T	Mark 4:26-32	Two parables of seeds
W	John 5:24-29	Hearing Jesus' words
T	Hebrews 4:12-13	The word of God is active
F	Hebrews 6:1-8	Growing to maturity
S	Psalms 1	The tree that prospers
S	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	Parable of the weeds



### talk

- How have you grown over this past year (e.g. physically, socially, emotionally, vocationally, intellectually, spiritually)? What things have helped you to grow?
- In the parable of the sower and the seed, Jesus spoke about four different seeds. Can you recall what happened to each?
- In your faith life at present, are you more like the path, the rocky ground, the thorn patch or the good soil? Explain your answer.



### pray

The prayer for the week

**Lord God, make us like seeds that fall on good soil. Lead us to welcome, hear and understand your message, and do what it asks. Amen. (Matthew 13:23)**

And for your highs and lows, for your family and for the world.



### bless

Share this week's blessing (below) or make up your own.

**May God's Word take root in your heart. May you grow as his child and produce good things for him. Amen.**

Gather four small pots or containers. Fill the first with gravel to represent a path, the second with rocks, the third with thorns or thistles, and the fourth with good soil. Place these in your home devotional area.

As part of your household devotional times this week, say the following prayer:

**Lord God, please keep us from having hearts that are hard, like a path.**

**Keep us from having hearts that are shallow, like soil on rocky ground.**

**Keep us from having hearts that are easily choked, like seeds among thorns.**

**Instead, make our hearts like good soil, so that we gladly receive your word and accept it. Amen.**

### verse for the week

**"The seeds that fell on good ground are the people who hear and understand the message. They produce as much as a hundred or sixty or thirty times what was planted."**

MATTHEW 13:23 (CEV)

### mealtime prayer

From soil and seed you give us food to chew. Show us the work you want us to do. Amen.