

## Combined Lutheran Churches News



### Combined Ash Wednesday

Service with Holy Cross,  
Christ Church and Monarto  
**14<sup>th</sup> Feb 7pm**  
at Holy Cross

### Upcoming Blueprint Ministries Events

**Invigorate Conference** for parents and educators, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. Registrations are open. Featuring international keynote speakers and a range of workshops.  
Adelaide West UC, Brooklyn Park.  
To Register for either visit:  
[www.blueprintministries.org.au](http://www.blueprintministries.org.au)

### Music Ministry

*Are you a musician or singer? Don't mind strumming the guitar or blowing that trumpet every now and again? Perhaps you have always wanted to develop your skills on a sound desk?*

**Music Ministry!** is an exciting new venture that will be jointly launched by Christ Church & Holy Cross in 2018.

A ministry that will bring people together with a common interest of music (no matter their skill). With the purpose to exhort, uplift and encourage the body of Christ through song and worship.

If you are interested request to join their Facebook page:

**Music Ministry! (Christ Church & Holy Cross Lutheran Church Murray Bridge)**



*Music is one of God's good gifts. God has given both man and angels the gift of music making (Genesis 4:21; Job 38:7)*



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

**Zion Lutheran**  
427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



6th Sunday after Epiphany  
11<sup>th</sup> February 2017



Monarto



Christ Church

### Harvest Thanksgiving

## Thank you!



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



### OFFICE HOURS

9am – 12 noon: Monday - Friday  
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### Pastor Tim Koch

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## WELCOME

Dear friends in Christ, thank you for joining us! We welcome all visitors and pray you are made to feel at home here in our congregations. If you are at a service with **Holy Communion** and 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.

**Pastoral Care Slips** - You will find these slips on the ends of the pews. We would like you to fill in any details/comments and place in the offering bag or give to an usher or the pastor as you leave the church.

### TODAY at the 10:45am service

we celebrate God's presence through the baptism of

**James Nicholas**

**Fiebert**

Please pray for his parents

**James and Lisa**

& thank God for His gift of Baptism.



### READINGS FOR TODAY



2 Kings 5:1-14

1 Corinthians 9: 24-27

Mark 1: 40-45

### Singles Luncheon

today

11th Feb 12:15

Community Club

**FUTURE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:** Please note that from today onwards, birthday and Anniversary notices will **only** be put in the bulletin if requested by the individual/s involved.



Did you know that you can access sermons, bulletins, funeral sermons, rosters and coming events on the Christ Church Webpage?

Check out our website today! <http://www.cclutheranmb.org.au/>

## HELP WANTED



We need some more people for the **grounds roster** for 2018. This involves keeping the church grounds clean and tidy. There is a blower available to use. Please prayerfully consider if you can assist.

We also require help with **watering the garden beds** once a week. At the moment we only have 3 people down! If you can spare around half an hour a week to help please contact the office. Many thanks.



## Baptismal Birthdays

This year we aim to contact everyone for their baptismal birthday by mail. If your postal address is different to your residential address can members please contact the Church Office Phone: 8532 6553 OR email: [christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au](mailto:christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au)

### Barnabas Friendship Group

Tues 13th Feb 6pm

at Hampel's

### Waterford Home Group

Monday 12th Feb 7pm

Function Centre

### Sausage Sizzle and Trading table next week

Helpers required for the sausage sizzle!!!!

Please contact Yvonne in the office if you can help!

## Copies of Today's Sermon

Copies of today's sermon are available at the church, spare copies are kept in the box through the metal gates at the front of the church or are available on our webpage or from the Church Office.

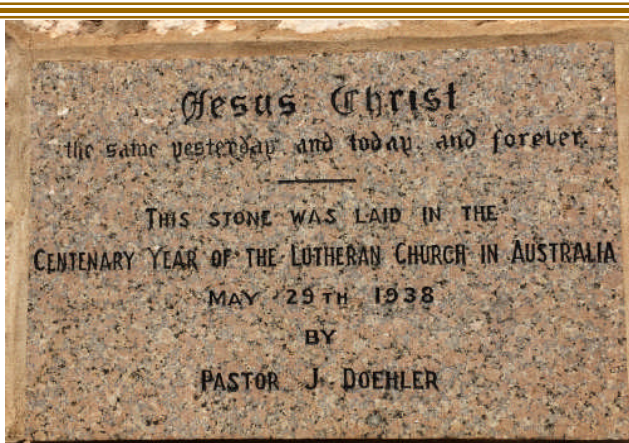


A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL - Toll Free Number 1800 644 628



## Christ Church '80 years ~ Laying of the Foundation Stone 1938'

Celebrating our Past  
and our Future  
Sunday 27th May



One morning service led by former Pastor Aub Podlich  
and singers Robin and Dorothy Mann

Followed by a luncheon  
in the afternoon 'Reminiscing and looking to our future'

HOLY CROSS & CHRIST CHURCH

## Ladies only Pool Party

### Sat 3rd March

6-9pm

SAVE THE DATE!

**LADIES  
NIGHT**

**BBQ tea**

*please bring a  
salad or sweet*

**BYO drinks**

**RSVP:** February 25<sup>th</sup>

Sandra: Mobile: 0438 324 150

Cynthia: Mobile: 0400 046 052

*Need more info? Please call us*

## Kairos Prison Ministry

*Can you help?*

A Kairos short course is being held  
in Murray Bridge 10-13th April.

*Can you help with preparing Breakfast  
or Supper for the Church based  
support team at the Church of Christ  
premises. 2 people would be required  
each morning and evening. If you can  
help at any of these time slots please  
let Yvonne know  
at Christ Church  
office 8532 6553*



## News from the Murray Bridge Inter Church Council Inc

We have resolved, by faith, to initiate the following action plan for workers and associated contractors who have been affected with the Thomas Foods Int. fire. Approx. 250 persons have no income at this point!

- ♦ BANKSA of Murray Bridge will accept donations ~ the fund is called:  
**Murray Bridge Fire Community Fund**  
Account details are: BSB is 105-012 Account # 078945940
- ♦ We will, with the help of Rural City of MB, establish a website to facilitate donations for the Fund.
- ♦ Paper work is being investigated to enable Tax deduction status of donations to be claimed.

For the longer term, plans are in hand to establish a large event for the Community of MB to get involved with, probably at the Sturt Reserve, to raise funds for the unemployed workers from Thomas Foods.



Unity are collecting the  
Coles Sports for Schools Vouchers  
You are welcome to bring any to either school  
offices



Installation of  
Peter Heintze  
to the Coonalpyn Lutheran Parish  
18th February  
10.00am

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### Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



#### Prayer of the Day

Lord God, Lord God, heavenly Father, you glorified your Son from the heavens. Give us faith to perceive his glory and willingly follow him. Bring us, through his suffering and death, to the glory of the resurrection. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

#### Please pray for...

##### Christ Church Members:

- ✚ Shirley Fiegert, Murray Piltz, Darren Piltz, Henk Visser, Jeanette Zanker, Vena Shinnick, Lores Frahn, Sandra Thiele, Irene Kuchel, Sandra Healey, Joyleen Stiller Bruce Kuchel, Noelene Kluge and also for their carers.
- ✚ **Resthaven:** Barbara Noble, Dot Noller.
- ✚ **Lerwin:** Colleen Fawcett, Lil Fiegert, Stewart Jaensch, Betty Paech
- ✚ **Aminya Village Hostel**, Mannum: Laurel Geisler, Dawn Jaensch, Rita & Keith Faehrmann.
- ✚ **Karoonda Hospital:** Jayne Hill
- ✚ **Oakfield Lodge**, Mt Barker - Lorraine Jacobs, Evelyn Kuchel.

*If you would like to be included in the Prayer list, please contact David Schirmer on 8531 2372 or 0459 943 682 for Holy Cross and Yvonne Stiller on 8532 6553 for Christ Church.*

#### Also pray ...

- ✚ God, replace my hurt with your healing, replace my pain with your peace, replace my loss with your love, may the past truly be past, in Jesus' name I pray.
- ✚ Ask God for strength and courage to stand firm in faith for wisdom and discernment to know when faced by things that are not of God.
- ✚ Father we ask you to bless all church leaders with a love for the Gospel. Be with Pastor Tim and Pastor Greg and their families. Give them the love and the strength to continue serving your Word and your people daily.

##### Holy Cross Members:

- ✚ Fay Baxter (Ian), Olga Burgemeister (Colin), Lorna Burrett, Paul Fiegert, Lila Grocke, Gordon Jenke (Pat), Leila Koehler, Marion Poole (Jim), Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert (May), Reg Schwartz, Bob Steele, Doreen Steinborner, Felicity Woods.
- ✚ **Resthaven:** Ray Box, Melva Kowald.
- ✚ **Lerwin:** Dorothy Klitscher (Elizabeth & Leon), Alice Kowald (Lou), Betty Paech, Mal Schenscher.
- ✚ **Tailem Bend Hospital:** Bevan Schulz (Bev).
- ✚ Ruth Neindorf - Bupa Aged Care, 104 Woodville Rd, Woodville 5011. Ph: 8211 1200. Ruth's mobile: 0438 724 412
- ✚ Erica Stone (Les) - Bethsalem Care, 10 Education Street, Happy Valley 5159. Ph: 8321 0487

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#### *Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week*



12<sup>th</sup> Dawne Schmerl  
13<sup>th</sup> Ashton Harradine  
14<sup>th</sup> Audrey Jaensch  
Benjamin Traeger  
15<sup>th</sup> Luke Frahn



16<sup>th</sup> Raelene Barolo  
Claire Richards  
Kym Richards  
Matthew Richards



*Please pray for everyone celebrating their Baptismal Birthday*

**Murray Bridge Lutheran  
Retirement Village  
51 Owl Drive  
Open Day  
Murray Bridge  
(right next door to  
Unity College)**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February  
1pm to 3pm**

*Please see noticeboard for  
more details*

3 reasons to smile today...

- Jesus loves you.
- Jesus died for you.
- Jesus will always be with you



### **MB Lutheran Ladies Fellowship**

**Thus 15th Feb 6pm**

Sabine & Ron Jericho's

2 Leslie St

Shared tea, please bring savoury and fruit to share.

Come along & hear about the work of the school chaplains.

Bring your bathers & have a swim or spa or paddle your toes!

Devotion: Sandra Burgess

More Info contact Heather Courtney 0400 333 422 or Trudy Gogel 0407 600 529

ALL ladies of the Parish welcome.

We're a happy bunch!







## Easter Services

Pastor Tim has organised the Easter Worship Services based on Luke 23:25 : *Pilate turned Jesus over to them - to do as they wished.* What do you wish to do with Jesus?

If anyone would like to be involved in singing at the Christ Church Easter services please let me know so we can begin practising.  
Thanks Coralie - 8532 3064



**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> March**

1:30pm JDH

## NOMINATIONS

Where can you help.  
Please pray about how you can help your church family in 2018. Please speak with Allan Hampel, Ron Jericho, Janelle Traeger or Pastor Tim

## AGM Reports

Are you the leader of a group? Its time you started to think about what you will put in your AGM report.  
Reports are due by

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## MEN

**Next meet  
Sat 24th Feb  
8am Breakfast  
JDH**

RSVP by 21st Feb 8532 6553  
for catering purposes

## Can you help C.H.I.L.

I am asking for help with the evening meal for CHIL. Please let Gloria Pohl know if you or a small group can help by providing a meal for approx 60 people. CHIL is held on the 3rd Friday of each month (not school holidays)  
Contact Gloria 0417876776 for further details  
Thankyou, Gloria

## Events outside of Murray Bridge see noticeboards for more details

- ♦ **Friends of Lutheran Archives** next meet: February 26<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 pm at Bethlehem House.
- ♦ **Club Solo**, Christian singles ministry in Adelaide ~ Retreat 9-12<sup>th</sup> March for single or single again, any age is welcome
- ♦ **Australian Lutheran College**, 26 Feb, worship &/or Opening Lecture

## Joint Bulletin

The joint bulletin trial will be continuing.  
Please pass on any feedback to your Leadership Teams or Church Offices.  
*A colour version is available on the Christ Church webpage*

## Christ Church & Monarto Congregation Contacts

<b><u>Monarto Elders</u></b>	Haydn Hein	8532 3176
	Maurice Wegener	8531 1060
<b><u>Monarto Chairman</u></b>	Trevor Hilton	0439 839 022
<b><u>Monarto Secretary</u></b>	Raelene Wegener	8538 5444
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<b><u>Christ Church Elders</u></b>	Dawn Hampel	8532 4138
	Denise Lohmeyer	8531 0935
	David Pech	0420 849 344
	Janelle Traeger	8535 4290
	Ian Kluge	8531 3449
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<b><u>Chairman</u></b>	Warren Doecke	0417 804 663, 8572 6019
<b><u>Cong. Secretary</u></b>	Cheryl Doecke	0427 804 663, 8572 6019
<b><u>Treasurer</u></b>	Gary Beauglehall	8531 3718, 0407 049 900
<b><u>Church Secretary</u></b>	Yvonne Stiller	8532 3445, 0417 786 827
<b><u>Prop. &amp; Maint.</u></b>	Darren Piltz	0475 095 273



**Australian Red Cross  
BLOOD SERVICE**

**Murray Bridge**  
John Dohler Hall  
31 Swanport Road

Monday 19 February	12:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Tuesday 20 February	11:00 am – 7:30 pm
Wednesday 21 February	12:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Thursday 22 February	7:30 am – 3:00 pm

To make an appointment call **13 14 95**  
or visit [donateblood.com.au](http://donateblood.com.au)

## Did you know?

LCA have a number of online eNews publications which you can sign up for free!  
Just google **LCA enews** to keep up to date





Growing  
**FAITH**  
at home

11 February 2018

TRANSFIGURATION  
SUNDAY

Listen to him.

verse for the week

A voice came  
from the cloud,  
"This is my son,  
and I love him.  
Listen to him!"

MARK 9:7

## Caring Conversations



SHARE

Share your highs  
and lows of the  
day, or respond  
to the following  
questions:

1

What is the tallest  
hill or mountain  
you have  
climbed? What  
could you see  
from the top?

2

Read Mark 9:2-9.  
We hear about  
an amazing  
experience that  
Peter, James and  
John had one  
day. How do you  
think you would  
have reacted?

3

Where and  
when have you  
had a special  
experience of  
God's presence?  
How has that  
helped you listen  
to and follow  
God?

## Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 9:2-9	The transfiguration of Jesus
M	2 Kings 2:1-12	Elijah is taken into heaven
T	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	Proclaiming Jesus as Lord
W	Matthew 6:1-21	The practice of faith
T	Proverbs 8:32-35	Listen to God
F	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	Return to the Lord your God
S	Psalms 51:1-17	Have mercy on me, God
S	Mark 1:9-15	Temptation of Jesus



TALK

Talk about the Bible verse. What  
word or phrase was important to  
you as you read these verses?

## Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Jesus, Son of  
God, open our  
ears and our  
hearts so that  
we listen to you.  
Amen.



BLESS

May God's  
light shine in  
your heart so  
that you know  
and listen to  
Jesus.

## Creative Response

### This week Lent begins!

Begin your household preparations by observing Shrove Tuesday (13 February). The name 'shrove' comes from the practice of being "shriven" – going to church, confessing your sins and being forgiven – before the start of Lent. Shrove Tuesday is also sometimes known as Pancake Tuesday or Fat Tuesday, because households used up their remaining eggs and fats before Lent by making pancakes on this day. Have a pancake breakfast or dinner. As you eat, talk about what Jesus gave up for our sake, and what you might wish to give up for Lent to help you prepare spiritually for Holy Week.

The first day of Lent is called Ash Wednesday. Traditionally this is a day for Christians to remember that we are sinners and that we need a Saviour. Observe Ash Wednesday (14 February) in your home by marking one another with ashes. Burn some paper and crush it into fine ashes. Then mix the ashes with a small amount of olive oil. Make the sign of the cross on one another's foreheads as you say these words:

**Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn back to God and believe in Jesus your Saviour.**

### mealtimes prayer

For every cup and every plateful, to you, O God,  
we are grateful. Amen.

## Service



Read Matthew 6:1-21.  
Lent focuses on the  
disciplines of prayer,  
fasting, and giving  
money or food to people  
in need.

Make this week  
"secret service  
week" in your home  
or with friends.

Put your names in a bowl and have each person draw out someone else's name. During the week, perform a secret act of service for that person. Share your ideas about secret acts of service that could be carried out for one another.