

FREEWILL OFFERINGS

Offerings you have made for the month of APRIL, 2018.

REG	\$4,245	Budget	\$5,290
Offering Plate	<u>\$11,030</u>	Budget	<u>\$9,615</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$15,275</u>	Budget	<u>\$14,905</u>

OFFERINGS JANUARY – APRIL:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget to Date</u>
REG	\$17,000	\$17,986
Offering Plate	<u>\$33,660</u>	<u>\$32,695</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$50,660</u>	<u>\$50,681</u>

Average Church attendance for April: 1st service 129 , 2nd Service 81;
5th Sunday Single Service 130
CHIL was not held in April

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

Retiring Offering – Kwatja Etatha	\$243.25
Teen Challenge	\$35
Bible Society	\$10

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



Christ Church Lutheran

31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

Zion Lutheran

427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF AUSTRALIA
where love comes to life

6th Sunday of Easter
6th May 2018

For **whoever** is born of **God** overcomes the
world; and this is the **victory** that has
overcome the world—our **faith**.

1 JOHN 5:4

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

OFFICE HOURS

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Pastor Tim Koch

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Christ Church & Monarto Congregation Contacts

<u>Monarto Elders</u>	Haydn Hein	8532 3176
	Maurice Wegener	8531 1060
<u>Monarto Chairman</u>	Trevor Hilton	0439 839 022
<u>Monarto Secretary</u>	Raelene Wegener	8538 5444

<u>Christ Church Elders</u>	Dawn Hampel	8532 4138
	Denise Lohmeyer	8531 0935
	David Pech	0420 849 344
	Janelle Traeger	8535 4290
	Ian Kluge	8531 3449

<u>Chairman</u>	Warren Doecke	0417 804 663, 8572 6019
<u>Cong. Secretary</u>	Cheryl Doecke	0427 804 663, 8572 6019
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Holy Cross Office Phone: 8532 4577



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-communicating 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.

Dwelling in the Word 1 John

The services are focusing on the readings from 1 John. Pastor Tim has put together a booklet for you to go deeper into the readings and then share what you received with others.

Booklets are available in church or from the office.



READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 10:44-48
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

**PLEASE NOTE
Special Congregational
Meeting in JDHall
Today 10:10am**



Lutheran Men of Australia

March - May
NEWSLETTER
is available. Please
contact the office if
you want a copy.

Rosters

♥ "COMMUNION"

		13-May	20-May	27-May		
Monarto	Service Time	9am	10:30 ♥	9am		
	Wardens	Rob & Liz	Barolo Family	Haydn & Penne		
	Readers	T Hilton	H Hein	P Hilton		
	Tea Coffee	R Thiele		L&R Frahn		
Christ Church	9am	Elder/Assist	I Kluge	J Pohl ♥	G Beauglehall	
		Wardens	J Pohl	B L Doecke I Pumpa	A&D Hampel	
		Readers	C Coulter	H Courtney	M Herrmann	
		Greeters	J Rosenzweig C Mattner	R&M Herrmann	F Kerkham J Ahrns	
		Organist	June	Glynniss	Joyce	
		Flowers	E Mueller	Y Lablack	L Piltz	
		Tea/coffee/milk	R&M Herrmann	D Borchardt B Zadow	B&L Doecke	
		PA	Wes	David	David	
		Data Projector	C Doecke	C Mattner	C Beauglehall	
	10:45am	Elder/Assist	D Pfeiffer ♥	No second service at Christ Church. Instead you are invited to the Service at Unity College 11am	D Doecke ♥	
		Wardens	P O'Connor			
		Readers	Lyn Zadow		D Doecke	
		Greeters	D&L Schiller		A Jaensch Y Koch	
		Prayers	Pastor Tim		D Pfeiffer	
		PA	Nathanael		Roger	
		Data Projector	Y Stiller		J Hage	
		Counter	J Brodde		B Joppich	
		Sunday School	Belinda J		Annette	
		Leader	Jemima		Liam	
		Helper				
		Grounds Roster	Y Koch		Y Koch	Y Koch
		Water & Care	A Nicholls		R Zanker	R Herrmann

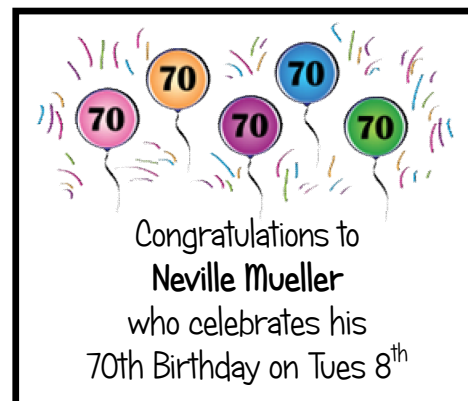
Diary Dates: 6th May - 13th May

Sun, 6th	Christ Church Monarto Youth	9am ~ Worship 10:10am ~ Special Congregation Meeting 10:45 ~ Music Ministry Worship Service 10:30am ~ Worship Shared lunch after Christ Church 10:45am service
Mon, 7th	9:30am	Cards & Coffee ~ Ed Cen
Tues, 8th	11am 1pm & 7pm 6pm 8pm	English Lessons Paul, Apostle of Christ - Cameo Cinema Barnabas Friendship Group - Hampel's Shalom Friendship Group - 1 Rivergum Close
Wed, 9th	1pm 10am	MB Women's Guild - Orana , Howard Rd Lutheran Homes Service, owl Drv
Thurs, 10th	10am 10am 10:30am 3pm	Bulletin notices due Bible Study ~ Christ Church Ed Cen Lerwin Ecumenical Service Resthaven Communion Service
Fri 11th	10:30am	Lerwin Communion Service
Sat, 12th	8:30am	Leadership/Elders/Worship Prayer & Listening to God day at Monarto
Sun, 13th Mothers Day Pentecost	Christ Church Monarto	9am ~ Worship 10:45 ~ Worship 9am ~ Worship

COMING EVENTS

May	18th	CHIL & Youth - JDH
	20th	Unity Celebrating 40 years - no 10:45 Christ Church service
	20th	Pentecost Combined Church Service - Catholic Church
	21-24th	Red Cross Blood Service - JDH
	23rd	2pm Communion, Cuppa & Chat - Owl Drive Village Centre
	29th	CPR Course 1:30pm - Christ Church

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



PLEASE NOTE

13th May we will celebrate Pentecost Sunday - wear something bright to visualize the vibrancy of life with the Holy Spirit. We're on **FIRE!** why not wear a loud shirt?

20th May there will be no second service at Christ Church. Instead you are invited to the Service at Unity College - 11am **Celebrating 40 Years**
See notice under 'Combined Lutheran Churches News'

27th May - will be normal services - **not combined**

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

Communion-Cuppa-Chat



The Senior Care Team are organising a Communion, Cuppa & Chat get-together on Wednesday May 23rd at 2pm in the Owl Drive Lutheran Homes Village Centre.

We are especially inviting those who receive Home Communion & welcome anyone else who would care to join us.

This is to give those who commune in isolation an opportunity to celebrate the Lord's Supper together as a Church family.

If you have queries talk to Dawn Hampel or a Senior Care Team member.

If you need transport please let Dawn (ph 8532 4138) know by Monday May 21st.

This is not replacing regular home Communion.

Barnabas Friendship Group

Tuesday 8th May 6pm
@ Hampel's

Shalom Friendship Group

Tuesday 8th May 7pm
1 Rivergum Close

Please Note
There will be no
Trading Table
this month

OTHER SERVICES - MAY

Thursday 10th May:

10:30am - Lerwin Ecumenical Service
3pm - Resthaven Communion Service

Friday 11th May:

10:30am - Lerwin Communion Service

Wednesday 16th May:

10am - Lutheran Homes Service



Resthaven
Incorporated



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UNITING CHURCH
ADULT FELLOWSHIPS
COORONG CELEBRATION



MURRAY BRIDGE
UNITING CHURCH ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Invite you to join them on

TUESDAY

22nd May 2018

At Murray Bridge Uniting Church
Narooma Boulevard,
Murray Bridge

Morning Tea 10.00am
Programme Start 10.30am

SPEAKER : Andrew Asser
"Reclink Australia"

THEME: "Let the Shepherd Lead"
Offering to
Theological Training for Women PNG

Lunch provided

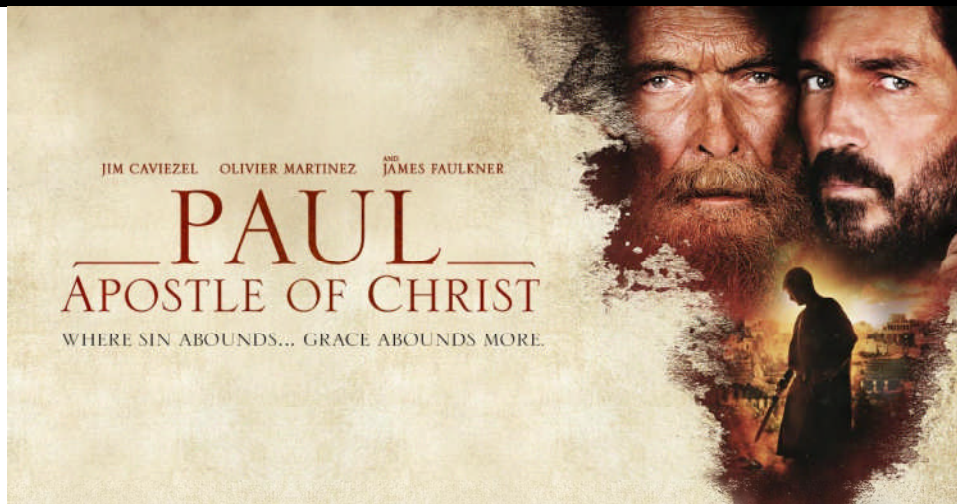
RSVP

Mrs Fay Menadue
Phone 0427325148

By 15th May 2018



Combined Lutheran Churches News



Special Screenings at the **Cameo Cinema**

Tuesday May 8th at 1.00 & 7.00pm

ALL TICKETS \$9.00

Tickets Available at the cinema or online

www.cameocinema.com.au

Murray Bridge Women's Guild

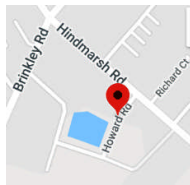
May 9th at 1.00pm

MEET at Orana

Howard Road (off Hindmarsh)

Devotion: M Paech
Hostesses: R Packer, Y Lablack
Offering: ALC Women's Auxiliary
 Lutheran Media
 Ministry
Gift Table: J Ahrens

Please bring a plate of afternoon tea to share with the Orana folk.



YOUTH

Next Youth
Come to

Celebrate
His [God's]
infinite
Love

Friday 18th May
5.30pm - 7.30pm
John Dohler Hall

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CPR Course

A 1 hour course
will be held on

Tues 29th May 1:30pm

at Christ Church

run by
SA Ambulance

Please RSVP ASAP if
attending to Christ
Church office 8532 6553.

Blessed are the Peacemakers - Adelaide

Two Day Workshop with
Rev Paul Kerber

Growing in a lifestyle of Reconciliation

When: Tuesday 29th of May –
Wednesday 30th of May 2018
9:00am - 5:00pm

Where: LLL Upstairs Conference Room
175 Archer Street,
North Adelaide

Cost - \$150

Includes training materials and meals

For more information: rm@lca.org.au
or 08 8267 7300

Presented by the Lutheran Church of
Australia Reconciliation Ministry

"LADIES GAMES NIGHT"

Showdown kicks off from
5.30pm in J D Hall on
Friday 1st June 2018

Please bring a **small** plate of
savory/sweet to share.

RSVP by 25/5/18 and for more
information phone
Yolette on 8532 2130



CONCORDIA COLLEGE // EARLYBIRD BY 17 APRIL // REGISTER AT
WWW.ADELAIDEMENSCONVENTION.ORG

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see noticeboards for more details

- ♦ **Take Control of Your Addictive Behaviours.** Weekly support meetings to aid self management and recovery of addictive behaviours.
- ♦ **Join others to Pray for Our City** - Join with other Christians in praying for the City of Murray Bridge. Saturday 19th May
- ♦ **Stepping Forward**, Family Drug Support and Information Session. 22nd May 2018
- ♦ **Mypolonga Football Club**, 90th Birthday Weekend Celebrations. 29th June—1st July 2018
- ♦ **Come Back to Cambrai**, 130 years of Education in Cambrai. 22nd September 2018
- ♦ How you can donate to the **Murray Bridge Fire Community Fund** to support those affected by the Thomas Foods fire.

Professional Standards Workshop

Christ Church in John Dohler Hall

16th June

(time to be advised)

Standards of Ethical Behaviour 4½hrs

This workshop is particularly focused on congregational leaders and decision-makers (paid or voluntary), including pastors, pastoral assistants, elders, church council/executive and ministry coordinators. All members of a congregation or group within a congregation are encouraged to attend, however.

Working with children 1½hrs

This workshop is for all congregation members whose ministry includes working with or making congregational decisions which will impact children and youth (U18). This will include all those (paid and voluntary) in the coordinating, planning, leading, teaching, supervising congregational programs/activities linked to Sunday school, youth, camps, confirmation classes and the like. Parents of the children who will be in the care of the above are also welcome to attend.

If you hold any of the above positions in the church, whether paid or not, you are required to complete Professional Standards training.

Morning and afternoon tea and lunch are supplied for a gold coin donation.

Contact Yvonne at Christ Church, 8532 4577, to register.

Confirmation

Christ Church and Holy Cross will be commencing the next Confirmation course in the term 3. The goal is to grow in knowing Jesus, building a life and a relationship with him; person to person, adult to adult. We'd love to walk with you in this adventure of life. If you would like to be involved – or even if you'd



Combined Church Service for Pentecost
Sunday the 20th of May
at 6pm
Catholic Church, Murray Bridge

IMPORTANT: INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 GENERAL SYNOD

Nominations are now open for interested people to apply for positions on the LCA's boards, councils, commissions and committees for the next synodical term.

Please refer to the LCA Nominations page: www.lca.org.au/nominations for further information about the nominations process and to download the nominations form. Please note the following:

1. Although individuals can self-nominate, nominations, with the consent of the nominee, may also be submitted by congregations to the LCA Standing Committee on Nominations.
2. As resolved at the 2015 General Convention of Synod no nominations can be moved from the floor. It is therefore essential that if your congregation wants to nominate someone, the nomination form must be submitted to the LCA Standing Committee on Nominations by the **closing date of 15 May 2018.**



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Kwatja Etatha playgroup in Alice Springs needs our Support

The Government funding stopped for the playgroup just before Christmas last year and the impact was devastating, eight Lutheran Community Care staff lost their jobs

LCC are asking congregations with a one off appeal to keep Kwatja Etatha going. The offering at the SA-NT Synod Sunday worship will be donated to the appeal.

Individual donations can also be made to this appeal. Contact Lutheran Community Care on (08) 8269 9333 or visit www.lccare.org.au/donate-now



Lutheran Men of Australia

March - May
NEWSLETTER
is available. Please
contact the office if
you want a copy.

SINGLES LUNCHEON
Sunday 13th May
12.15pm
Swanport Hotel

Acceptance of Call

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ.

Thank you for your prayers as Meredith and I discerned the call to Novar Gardens.

As announced last Sunday, it has been a very difficult decision but we feel confident and peaceful that Novar Gardens is where God now wants us to be so I have accepted the call.

I anticipate I will finish up here at Holy Cross around the end of June.

May God continue to bless you in all you do.

Pastor Greg ◇◇

**Have you ever lived in or visited the Barossa?
How much do you know about it?**

Meet the authors of '**Barossa: Federation to the Fifties**'. Join local historians and authors Anne Hausler, Angela Heuzenroeder, Everard Leske, Donald Ross, and Geoff Saegenschnitter for a lively presentation of their comprehensive and authoritative account of early 20th century Barossa. Come along to the Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA) meeting on Monday May 21st, Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place in the City, 7.30 pm. The books will be available for sale at \$35.00, but please pay with the exact cash. Gold coin donation & supper. All welcome.

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The Karoonda Lutheran Women's Guild

invites **Murray Bridge
Lutheran Women's Guild**

Men welcome

to our luncheon on

Tuesday 8th May

**In the Karoonda Bowling Club
Railway Terrace, Karoonda**

12noon

Admission \$15

Guest Speakers:

Tanath & Charlee Hoff

Wedding in India

**Cars leave Christ Church
at 11.00am**

Abundance

**An inspirational equipping/
teaching event**

Held at Bridgewater Lutheran
Church Sat May 19th

9am to 4.30pm

This is a free event with a free-will
offering for our presenters
Morning and afternoon tea will be
provided. Lunch BYO

Presenters: Peter Steicke and
Michael Dutschke

See Noticeboard for more info

To the Murray Bridge Lutheran Women's Guild

Please join the
Anglican Ladies Guild
to celebrate Mothers' Day
at a Mothers' Day breakfast
(family members welcome)

Saturday 12th May

**The Old Rectory
Anglican Cathedral
Murray Bridge**

**From 9.00am to 10.30am
\$8.00 per person**

RSVP: 1st May 2018

Looking forward to seeing you.

ASIA FOCUS MYANMAR 2018

14 day trip to visit Asia Focus
Projects in Tahan and Yangon and
a weekend at the beach with the
Damadi Youth.

Join this trip to Myanmar with long
-time supporters of the Damadi
Centre in Yangon and witness the
growth and fervour of the Christian
Church.

*Flyers & Itinerary available from
church offices. More info please
contact Ian Kluge 8531 3449*

ALWS

PNG Earthquake Appeal

If you would like to help the 37,000+ people still
affected by the earthquake in Feb with a
donation please place in a marked envelope or
go online at www.alws.org.au



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Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

6th	Kate Frahn Mia Paech Andrew Vigar	9th	David Pope
7th	Reg Biar Quin Hein	10th	Daryl Frahn Hugh McLaughlin
8th	Jo Crase Dorothy Noller	11th	Joel Hampel Madison Hearne
9th	Allan Hampel	12th	Gordon Jenke Murray Piltz



Please pray for everyone celebrating their Baptismal Birthday

**Holy Cross Film Night has been postponed
until a later date.**

POSTPONED



Murray Bridge Lutheran School – Unity College

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS IN 2018

Sunday 20 May 2018

10.15am : Coffee and Morning Tea

11.00am : Worship Service & Welcome Speeches

12.30pm – 3.30pm : Community Lunch & Family Fun Day

- + Tours of School Campus
- + Historical Displays and Photo Collections
- + Entertainment and Games for Children
- + BBQ Lunch available at small cost

Bookings : www.trybooking.com.au/367001

e. studentsfirst@unitycollege.sa.edu.au or p. 08 8532 0100

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Prayer of the Day

Lord God, the giver of all good things, inspire us to think what is right and guide us to do it. 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:

✠ Darryl Klose (FMC), Shirley Fiegert, Murray Piltz, Noelene Kluge, Henk Visser, Lores Frahn, Sandra Thiele, Irene Kuchel, Joyleen Stiller, Jayne Hill, Julie Mueller, Joyce Ahrens (Burside Hosp) and also for their carers.

✠ **Resthaven:** Barbara Noble, Dot Noller.

✠ **Lerwin:** Colleen Fawcett, Stewart Jaensch

✠ **Aminya Village Hostel**, Mannum: Laurel Geisler, Dawn Jaensch, Rita & Keith Faehrmann.

✠ **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.*

Holy Cross Members:

✠ Fay Baxter (Ian), Olga Burgemeister (Colin), Paul Fiegert, Karyn Gerlach (Bob & Myrna), Lila Grocke, Gordon Jenke (Pat), Leila Koehler, Marion Poole (Jim), Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert (May), Reg Schwartz, Bob Steele, Doreen Steinborner, Felicity Woods.

✠ **Murray Bridge Hospital:** Lorna Burrett.

✠ **Resthaven:** Ray Box, Melva Kowald.

✠ **Lerwin:** Dorothy Klitscher (Elizabeth & Leon), Alice Kowald (Louis), Betty Paech, Mal Schenscher.

✠ **Tailem Bend Hospital:** Bevan Schulz (Bev).

✠ **Bupa Aged Care** - Ruth Neindorf - ,
104 Woodville Rd, Woodville 5011.
Ph: 8211 1200.
Ruth's mobile: 0438 724 412

Also pray ...

- ✠ Pray for all the Kindy children & their families including Katlego, Hailie, Brayden, Rohan, Indy & also for the reception children & families at Unity.
- ✠ For our newest Pastoral Care Worker for the North Primary School, Holly Martin. We wish her every blessing that our Lord will give her as she serves the children and staff at North PS.
- ✠ Pray for Christ to embrace people with His forgiving love, so that millions turn from their sin to the joy of following Him.
- ✠ Pray that we reflect God's non-discriminating love to those we find unlovable, all the more desperately in need of our love.



Growing
FAITH
at home

6 May 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

Love one another

verse for the week

This is my
command. Love
one another as
I have loved
you. No one has
greater love than
this: to lay down
his life for his
friends.

JOHN 15:12-13

Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Share about
someone who
has been a good
friend to you.
What makes a
good friend?

2

Jesus says,
"Love one
another as
I have loved you"
– how has Jesus
shown his love
for you? How can
you show love to
people around
you?

3

Explore how
Thursday's reading
(Romans 12:9-21)
prompts us in ways
to love others.

Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	John 15:9-17	Love one another
M	Acts 10:44-48	Gentiles receive the Holy Spirit
T	1 John 5:1-6	Faith conquers the world
W	Isaiah 61:1-11	Good news of deliverance
T	Romans 12:9-21	Love with sincerity
F	1 Thessalonians 1:2-10	The church's faith and example
S	Psalms 98	Make a joyful noise
S	John 17:6-19	Christ's prayer for his disciples



TALK

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord Jesus, your
love is so great.
Help us to show
your love for
others today.
Amen.



BLESS

May God
surround you
with his love,
and fill your
heart with love
for others.

Creative Response

Jesus says 'Love each other as I have
loved you'.

Try some of these ways to express your love to
others this week:

- Write 'I love you' notes and place them in
surprising places (e.g. school lunchboxes, under
pillows or plates, in purses or wallets)
- Place a flower or small treat on the seat of a car
before someone leaves for work or school.
- Make heart-shaped coupons to give to one
another (e.g. shoulder massage, extra story
book reading, a walk or play together, a cuddle,
act of service)
- Write notes of appreciation, thanks and support
on cut out hearts. 'Post' these into paper bags
with each person's name on them. At the end of
the week distribute the bags and enjoy reading
your notes of love.

mealtime prayer

God at our table, giver of bread, bless us to love,
just as you've said. Amen.

Service



Next Sunday (13 May) is
Mother's Day. What a
day to shower love upon
someone who has cared
for you. It might be your
mum or grandmothers
or godmothers in your
life. Take time to recall,
give thanks and pray
for the women who have
cared for you. Plan acts
of service and love. Ask
how they would best like
to be served and make
arrangements for
this.