

FREEWILL OFFERINGS

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

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| REG | \$4,160 | Budget | \$4,585 |
| Offering Plate | \$6,978 | Budget | \$7,692 |
| TOTAL | \$11,138 | Budget | \$12,277 |

OFFERINGS JANUARY – JUNE:

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Budget to Date</u> |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| REG | \$25,530 | \$27,490 |
| Offering Plate | \$47,067 | \$48,079 |
| TOTALS | \$72,597 | \$75,569 |

Average Church attendance for June: - 1st service 72; 2nd Service 66; CHIL 46:
In response to God's love, members have also generously donated to the following.

Australian Lutheran College - \$20
Myanmar – Retiring Offerings - \$1,881.45
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

8th Sunday after Pentecost
15th July 2018

PRAISE be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has BLESSED us in the heavenly realms
with EVERY spiritual blessing in Christ.
For he CHOSE us IN HIM before the creation of the world
to be holy and blameless in his sight.

-Ephesians 1:3-4

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

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

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 |
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| | Denise Lohmeyer | 8531 0935 |
| | David Pech | 0420 849 344 |
| | Janelle Traeger | 8535 4290 |
| | Ian Kluge | 8531 3449 |
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| <u>Cong. Secretary</u> | Cheryl Doecke | 0427 804 663, 8572 6019 |
| <u>Treasurer</u> | Gary Beauglehall | 8531 3718, 0407 049 900 |
| <u>Church Secretary</u> | Yvonne Stiller | 8532 3445, 0417 786 827 |
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Holy Cross Office Phone: 8532 4577

OFFICE HOURS

9am – 12 noon: Monday - Friday

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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-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.

CAUTION

Holidays Ahead

Please note Yvonne will be on leave until Thus 19th July and then Pastor Tim will be on leave from Mon 23rd July to Sun 12th Aug.

*If you would like to **volunteer** to sit in the office to answer phone calls and talk to visitors while Yvonne is away please let us know*

ASIA FOCUS AUSTRALIA (AFA)

supports LUTHERAN WORLD MISSION in 14 countries under the banner of "Faith and Love in Action". They provide spiritual leadership and training, ministry support and crisis assistance for many in times of desperate need. Pastor August Fricke, the President of AFA, will be in South Australia from 20 to 23 July and will be at the Christ Church on Fri, 20th July at 5.30pm. He has recently returned from Mongolia and Bhutan.

His theme for the evening is 'The Joy of World Mission in Days of Increasing Persecution'.

All are welcome to join in an informative and challenging evening with opportunity to raise questions and discuss this incredible ministry.

Please bring a savoury & sweet for pooled tea afterwards.

For more info call Ian & Dianne Kluge
0427 313 537 or 8531 3449

Trading Table only today

**Next Trading table
Sunday 19th August**
Instead of Sausage sizzle
we will be having a
**Toasted Sandwiches
& Soup lunch!**
Come and Join Us

If anyone can help by making soup,
contact Yolette on 8532 2130.
Many thanks.

READINGS FOR TODAY

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

Ephesians: 1:3-14

Mark 6:14-29

Rosters

♥ "COMMUNION"

22-Jul

29-Jul

5-Aug

| Monarto | | Service Time | 9am | One Service only at Christ Church 10am coffee 10:30am Service Elders: D Hampel Wardens: I Kluge V Spencer Readers: H Hein G Molineux Greeters: R&J Zanker Organist: Coralie Flowers: H Courtney Tea & Coffee: D&J Lienert Y Koch PA: David Data Proj: B Frahn | 10:30 ♥ |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------|
| | | Wardens | Colin & Raelene | | R Thiele |
| | | Readers | T Hilton | | P Hilton |
| | | Tea Coffee | P&T Hilton | | |
| Christ Church | 9am | Elder/Assist | G Beauglehall | | R Zanker ♥ |
| | | Wardens | B&L Doecke I Pumpa | | M&D Schopp |
| | | Readers | P Hammond | | C Mattner |
| | | Greeters | J Bahr H Visser | | M Warnest J Pope |
| | | Organist | Joyce | | June |
| | | Flowers | M Warnest | | P Kuss |
| | | Tea/coffee/milk | R&M Herrmann | B&L Doecke | |
| | | PA | David | David | |
| | | Data Projector | J Irvine | B Lablack | |
| | 10:45am | Elder/Assist | M Jaensch ♥ | M Jaensch | |
| | | Wardens | P&V Jaensch | | |
| | | Readers | D Schiller | S Kuchel | |
| | | Greeters | D&L Schiller | S Kuchel R Schrapel | |
| | | Prayers | | D Schiller | |
| | | PA | Roger | Lees | |
| | | Data Projector | J Hage | T Piltz | |
| | | Counter | J Brodde | B Joppich | |
| | | | Sunday School | | |
| Leader | | | | | |
| Helper | | | | | |
| Grounds Roster | C Schenscher | | C Schenscher | M Schopp | |
| Water & Care | P Hammond | | Y Koch | J Schirmer | |

Diary Dates: 15th July - 22nd July

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| Sun, 15th | Christ Church Monarto 2-5pm | 9am ~ Communion Trading Table 10:45am ~ Worship 10:30am ~ Communion Ladies High Tea ~ 7 Bluebush Crt |
| Yvonne on leave from 11-19th July | | |
| Mon, 16th | 9:30am 7:30pm | Cards & Coffee ~ Ed Cen Leadership Team ~ Ed Cen |
| Tues, 17th | 11am 7:30pm | Resthaven Service Deep & Wide ~ Ed Cen |
| Wed, 18th | 10am | Bulletin notices due |
| Thurs, 19th | 10am 10:30am | Bible Study ~ Christ Church Ed Cen Lerwin Service |
| Fri, 20th | 5:30pm | ASIA Focus Australia ~ JDH |
| Sat, 21st | 8am | Men's Breakfast ~ JDH |
| Sun, 22nd | Christ Church Monarto | 9am ~ Worship 10:45am ~ Communion Baptism Celebration 9am ~ Worship |

COMING EVENTS

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|------|--------------|---|
| July | 27th 29th | 5:30pm Holy Cross & Christ Church Friendship Groups One Combined Service at Christ Church from 10am |
| Aug | 18th 25th | Variety Concert ~ JDH Abundance workshop ~ JDH |
| Sept | 23rd | 80th Anniversary of first service , Christ Church (one service) |
| | 30-Oct 2 | LWA Convention , Rosehill Gardens, NSW |
| Oct | 21st | Reformation , combined service |
| Nov | 15th | Christmas Lunch (organised by Senior Care Team) |

One Service only Sunday 29th July

10am Coffee 10:30am Service
followed with a pooled lunch
please bring savoury and sweet to share



Newsletter time again.
Please send articles and
information to the office
by the end of July.

Can you help?

Can you Count and use computer
systems? **We need you!**
We are looking for Assistant
Treasurer's now and also for
a **Treasurer next year.**
If you are interested please
contact Gary Beauglehall
for more information.

Christ Church Lutheran **Sunday 23rd Sept 10am**

80th Anniversary Celebration

If anyone has any photos or stories about the history of the Church please contact
Ron Jericho, Janelle Traeger or Delton Schiller.

We would like to set up a display of history for visitors to look at.

Notices advising of the celebrations are now available for members to send
out to family members and any previous members etc that they are aware of.

These can be picked up from the office, Janelle Traeger or Ron Jericho.

We will have quite a few people attending so if you have a spare bed we would
like a list because we are encouraging people to extend their stay.

Thank you all - THE MORE THE MERRIER!

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Holy Cross Movie Night

Love Comes Softly

Friday 10th August
7pm in Concordia Hall
 (cnr Florence & Charles Sts)
 Entry gold coin donation

A young woman on her way to a new life in the 1800's suddenly finds herself a widow. Now she must live with a recently widowed young man and his daughter. Can any of them find love again?



**All
Welcome**

MURRAY BRIDGE LUTHERAN LADIES FELLOWSHIP VARIETY CONCERT

**In support of the
CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**

SAT 18TH AUGUST 7PM JDH

Admission \$10 ~ children under 13 FREE ~ supper included

**Tickets available from Coralie 8532 3064; Jan 8532 5050
and Sabine 8532 1041**

FAMILY DRUG SUPPORT

**Is someone in your family taking
drugs and/or alcohol?**

**Are you looking for practical down to
earth information and support?**

**See the noticeboard for details about
the 'Stepping
Forward' pro-
gram hosted by
Murray Bridge
Uniting church.**



SAVE THE DATE

August 25th 2018

**John Dohler Hall
Abundance workshop
with Peter Steicke
hosted by Christ Church**

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Coming Events:

See notice board for more details

- ♦ The Secret Garden - Weekend Retreat for Women Sept 7-9th, Victor Harbour

THE MURRAY BRIDGE FRIENDSHIP/HOME GROUPS STORY

Want to share an evening meal with others? Want to enjoy good company? Wondering why others attend friendship/home groups? Needing encouragement in your group, or wanting to encourage other groups? Thinking about joining a group? If so, read on.

You are invited to a combined **gathering for Christ Church and Holy Cross groups**, planned for **Friday 27th July at the Murray Heights Village Centre**. Commencing at **5.30pm with a chicken and salad meal**, the evening provides an opportunity to spend time getting to know others, to learn and to be encouraged as we hear the various friendship/home group stories.

Could those attending please provide a salad to share and **R.S.V.P. to Peter/Edna 8531 1020 by 22nd July**. This will assist with other catering arrangements. Contact Peter/Edna if you have any questions or need further information.

Looking forward to sharing your company.



Yvonne is on leave until 19th July, Pastor Tim, Gary Beauglehall and Cheryl Doecke will work together to have the office open for normal hours. If you need anything to go into the bulletin, please give plenty of notice as Carla at Holy Cross will be doing this while Yvonne is away.



**The Pacific war in New Guinea:
remembering the dead.**

Dr Christine Winter, a historian at Flinders University with a special interest in the German presence in PNG, reflects on the stories of those who lived and died next to each other during WWII - New Guinea villagers, missionaries, Australians, Germans and Japanese. Can 'we' share grief across former enemy nations and different cultures? And what do 'we' gain by doing this? You are invited to the next Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA) meeting on **Monday 23rd July, Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place in the City. 7.30 pm, gold coin donation, supper included. All welcome.**

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Professional Standards Workshop

Our requirements as a congregation:

1. **LCA Standards of Ethical Behaviour - Introductory Video:** for all members of the congregation.
2. **Standards of Ethical Behaviour Workshop:** for all who hold positions as per the nominations list. All Congregational members are invited to attend. *(required every 3 years - Workshop on 11th August)*
3. **SP3 (Working With Children) for all** who work with children .
Part 1 Team Member Workshop: *(required every 3 years - Workshop on 11th August)*
Part 2 Team Member On Line Webinar: *(required every 3 years - is completed online run at least once a month)*
4. **SP3 Team Leader:** for all who lead/plan programs with children
5. **SP3 Coordinator:** for Coordinators only

Professional Standards Workshop

Hosted by Holy Cross
in John Dohler Hall

Saturday 11th August
9am - 3pm

Cost \$40

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 or part of any group. 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). Parents of the children who will be in the care of the above are also welcome to attend.

Morning and afternoon tea and lunch will be provided for a minimal cost. (You may bring your own)

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://www.regonline.com/murraybridgeholycross11082018>

or

**Contact Carla at Holy Cross on 8532 4577
or Janise Fournier**

**Register with Carla at
Holy Cross by Tues 7th
August - limited places!**

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Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Melva Kowald who passed away on Friday 6th July. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

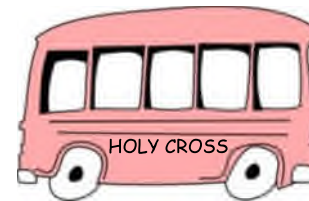
Melva's funeral service was held last Thursday 12th July at Holy Cross.

Jesus says: Don't be afraid! I am the first, the last, and the living one. I died, but now I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys to death and the world of the dead. (Revelation 1:17,18 CEV)

Holy Cross Bus Trip

Full Payment due by 22nd July.

See Terry Little



Murray Bridge Lutheran Ladies Fellowship

Thursday 19th July 7pm

(note change of time)

Owl Drive, Village Centre

Lesley Rosenzweig sharing about
Panama, Alaska, Bucharat Gardens
Vancouver and American Replica of
Noah's Ark.

Followed by bible study and supper.

All Welcome!

(Fellowship members please bring a small plate of supper)

Bordertown Pasties

Orders are being taken for
the Ladies Guild of
Bordertown for Pasties.

Please place orders,
by 1st August

Price: \$4.20ea.

Delivery will be mid August.

Contact Alan Packer
on 8532 2876

*Ingredients: flour, butter, water,
salt, pepper, beef mince, potato,
sweet potato, pumpkin, carrot,
onion and egg.*

**Vegetarian Pasties are
available at the same price.**

Men's Breakfast Saturday 21st July JDH, Swanport Road

8am



RSVP:
by 19th July
8532 6553

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Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

15th Bruce Kuchel
16th Eloise Hampel
Ken Zadow
17th Olivia Doecke
Bruce Hampel
Roger Hampel
John Schirmer
Caitlin Wiegold



18th Pat Pfeiffer
19th Helen Paech
20th Julie Frahn
Cody Jackson
Ian Pumpa
Beverly Schulz
21st David Pech



Please pray for everyone celebrating their Baptismal Birthday



Our prayers and deepest condolences to family and friends on the passing of Gladys Curtis. Gladys' funeral service was held on Thursday 12th July at Christ Church.

Our Lord says: I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. (John 11:25,26 NRSV)

Murray Bridge Fire Community Group

Donations are still desperately needed would be greatly appreciated.

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Bank details – BSB 105-012, Account No: 126016140.

Ref: Email your name to mbfcgroup@gmail.com for a receipt.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

~~Confirmation—Commencing in August~~

Christ Church and Holy Cross will be commencing the next Confirmation course on **Wed 15th August 6.30 - 8pm** with a casual pizza dinner in the office meeting room at Christ Church. This will be a time to get to know each other and to flesh out our hopes for this journey together. If you would like to be involved (*or even if you'd like just to come along to the first session to find out more*) please contact the church offices.

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Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Prayer of the Day

Almighty and merciful God, you have planted in us the seed of your word. Help us by your Holy Spirit to receive it with joy and live according to it, so that we may grow in faith, hope, and love. 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.**

Christ Church Members:

✠ Bob Traeger (RAH), Colleen (Hosp.) & Andy Nicholls, Darryl Klose, Shirley Fiegert, Murray Piltz, Noelene Kluge, Lores Frahn, Sandra Thiele, Irene Kuchel, Joyleen Stiller and also for their carers.

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

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

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

✠ **Oakfield Lodge**, Mt Barker - Lorraine Jacobs, Evelyn Kuchel.

Holy Cross Members:

✠ Fay Baxter (Ian), Olga Burgemeister (Colin), Paul Fiegert, Lila Grocke, Leila Koehler, Marion Poole (Jim), Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert (May), Reg Schwartz, Bob Steele, Doreen Steinborner, Ivan Taylor (Barbara), Kurt Unger (Walter), Colin Wandel (Mary), Felicity Woods.

✠ **Resthaven:** Ray Box, Lorna Burrett.

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

✠ **Tailem Bend Hospital:** Gordon Jenke (Pat), Bevan Schulz (Bev).

✠ **Bupa Aged Care** - Ruth Neindorf - , 104 Woodville Rd, Woodville 5011. Ph: 8211 1200.

Ruth's mobile: 0438 724 412

*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 ...

- ✠ Wise and all-knowing God, give us your gift of wisdom. When we don't know which way to go, open our eyes and hearts, so that we may see clearly the right path to take and do what pleases you.
- ✠ Pray against false deceptive spirits where people have been led astray - pray for people to see clearly and to repent and turn back to Christ.
- ✠ Pray for the Holy Spirit to give us all that we need to do the work that God calls us to do in the name of Jesus Christ.



Growing
FAITH
at home

15 July 2018

EIGHTH
SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

Chosen

verse for the week

We have been set
free because of
what Christ has
done. Through his
blood our sins have
been forgiven.

EPHESIANS 1:7

Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

| | | |
|---|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| S | Mark 6:14-29 | The death of John the Baptist |
| M | Amos 7:7-15 | Vision of the plumb line |
| T | Ephesians 1:3-14 | Thanksgiving for blessings |
| W | Leviticus 26:1-13 | Rewards for obedience |
| T | Romans 3:9-26 | God's judgment and mercy |
| F | Proverbs 11:23-30 | A generous person |
| S | Psalms 85:8-13 | God speaks peace to the people |
| S | Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 | Jesus teaches and heals the people |



TALK

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Heavenly Father,
thank you for
choosing to save
us. Continue to
give us the Holy
Spirit, so that the
way we live praises
you. Amen.



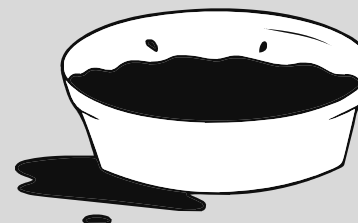
BLESS

Child of God, may
the Lord, who has
chosen you, bless
you generously
through our Lord
Jesus Christ.

Creative Response

Place a small bowl of water on your home altar or
mealtable. Each morning or evening this week,
invite each household member to make the
sign of the cross on someone else's forehead in
remembrance of their baptism – the day they were
sealed with the cross of Christ, given the Holy
Spirit, and made part of God's "forever family".
Join in saying the following prayer:

**Dear God, thank you for loving us and
choosing us to be part of your "forever family".
Help us to shine with your love in all we say
and do today. Amen.**



mealtime prayer

Receive our thanks for night and day, for food
and shelter, rest and play. Lord, be our guest and
with us stay. Amen.

Service

The Gospel reading for
Sunday tells how John
the Baptist was put in
prison and later killed.
Pray this week for
people who are unjustly
imprisoned.

Visit the website of
Amnesty International
to learn more about
situations of injustice
across the world
(www.amnesty.org).
Find out how you can
personally support
the work of Amnesty
International through
letter writing or with
a donation.



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Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Share about a time
when you were
especially chosen
for something.
How did you
respond?

2

The apostle Paul
tells us that God
had decided to
make you his child
even before the
world was made
(Ephesians 1:4).
How does this
make you feel?
Why?

