

## FREEWILL OFFERINGS and BUDGET POSITION

### AT END OF NOVEMBER:

#### Offerings you have made for the month of Nov, 2019

REG	\$4,320	Budget	\$4,550
Offering Plate	\$7,151	Budget	\$7,693
TOTAL	\$11,471	Budget	\$12,243

#### OFFERINGS January – November:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget to Date</u>
REG	\$45,245	\$50,450
Offering Plate	\$85,284	\$90,392
TOTALS	\$130,529	\$140,842

Average Sunday Church attendance for November: 9am: 68 ~ 10:45am: 53  
CHIL – was held at Edwards Park for the Lighting of the Christmas Tree – number HEAPS!

Thank you to all those who have generously donated food to Teen Challenge over the month,

**INCOME** at end of November: \$180,984

**EXPENSES** @ end of November: \$201,232 (*approx. \$20,000 deficit*)

### Monarto Congregation Contacts

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

### Christ Church Congregation Contacts

<b>Christ Church Elders</b>	Dawn Hampel	8532 4138
	Denise Lohmeyer	8531 0935
	David Pech	0420 849 344
	Janelle Traeger	8535 4290
	Ian Kluge	8531 3449
<b>Chairman</b>	Warren Doecke	0417 804 663, 8572 6019
<b>Cong. Secretary</b>	Cheryl Doecke	0427 804 663, 8572 6019
<b>Treasurer (Acting)</b>	Gary Beaglehall	0407 049 900
<b>Church Secretary</b>	Yvonne Stiller	8532 3445
<b>Prop. &amp; Maint.</b>	Trent Mueller	0424 311 124

**Holy Cross Office Phone: 8532 4577**



*Christ Church Lutheran*  
31 Swanport Rd, Murray Bridge

*Zion Lutheran*

427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



**Christmas 2019**

22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> Dec & 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020

FOR BY *Grace*

YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED

THROUGH FAITH.

AND THIS IS NOT OF

YOUR OWN DOING;

IT IS THE

*Gift of God.*

*Ephesians 2:8*



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

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**Jesus is here  
to serve you!**



# WELCOME

Dear visitor, It is great that you are worshipping with us today, and we pray that it will be uplifting to you and I am sure we will all be blessed by your being here.

Once a fortnight at our services we celebrate "**Holy Communion**", or as some people call it "**The Lord's Supper**". Jesus had this special time with his disciples just before he suffered and died for all who believe in him. At this time, as he blessed the bread and the wine he said "This is my body given for you. He also said "This is my blood shed for you for the forgiveness of your sins" No one can understand how this happens. Jesus said it, and we believe Him. That is what faith is about.

If you can accept what he said about him being here in a special way, then we would love to have you join us at this wonderful meal. If you are not sure but would still like to come up for a blessing with everyone else, please do. So, the helpers are not confused, please stand with your hands folded across your chest. Thank you for being understanding. If you would like to talk about this wonderful act of God's love, please feel free to see the Pastor or one of our leaders.

**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.

## Welcome

We welcome all visitors & pray you are made to feel at home with us.



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> at the 10:45am service**

we celebrate God's presence through the baptism of

**Caitlin Mueller**

Please pray for her parents **Trent & Emily** & thank God for His gift of

**MISSING**

1 big oven tray from JDH kitchen

## Retiring Offering for

**ALWS Christmas Appeal**  
**Gifts of Grace**

24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>  
December  
and 5<sup>th</sup> January

The Cave door was found wide open on Sunday!

Please ensure that when you leave any buildings that all doors are securely locked.  
*Many thanks*

# Rosters

♥ "COMMUNION"

Combined service starting with coffee 10am

2020

29-Dec

5-Jan

12-Jan

		29-Dec	5-Jan	12-Jan
<b>Monarto</b>	<b>Service Time</b>		10:30am ♥	9am
	<b>Wardens</b>		Colin/Raelene	Maxine
	<b>Readers</b>		R Wegener	T Franklin
	<b>Tea Coffee</b>			
<b>Christ Church</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Elder/Assist</b>	D Hampel ♥	J&G Pohl
		<b>Wardens</b>	M&D Schopp	B&L Doecke
		<b>Readers</b>	M Herrmann	B Lablack
		<b>Greeters</b>	M Warnest J Pope	J Bahr H Visser
		<b>Organist</b>	Glynniss	June
		<b>Flowers</b>	J Stiller	L Doecke
		<b>Tea/coffee/milk</b>	B&L Doecke	M Warnest J Pope
		<b>PA</b>	Wes	A Hampel
		<b>Data Projector</b>	C Mattner	C Beauglehall
	<b>10:45am</b>	<b>Elder/Assist</b>	R Martin	G Korzeba ♥
		<b>Wardens</b>	D&J Lienert Y Koch	P&V Jaensch
		<b>Readers</b>	G&M Schubert	L Zadow
		<b>Greeters</b>	G&M Schubert	A Korzeba
		<b>Prayers</b>	R Martin	G Korzeba
<b>PA</b>		Nathanael	Nathanael	
<b>Data Projector</b>		J Martin	J Brodde	
	<b>Counter</b>	V Jaensch	B Joppich	J Brodde
	<b>Grounds Roster</b>	A Nicolle		
	<b>Water &amp; Care</b>	J Schirmer	R Herrmann	Y Koch

**Combined service at Christ Church**

**Elder/Assist**  
R Zanker

**Wardens**  
A&D Hampel

**Tea & Coffee**  
D Borchardt  
Y Koch

**Flowers**  
E Mueller

**Organist**  
Joyce

**Readers**  
C Coulter

**Greeters**  
C Coulter  
C Mattner

**Prayers**  
Pastor Tim

**PA**  
Lees

**Data Projector**  
Y Stiller



# Rosters

♥ "COMMUNION"

## Christmas

		Christmas Eve 24-Dec	Christmas Day 25-Dec		
<b>Monarto</b>	Service Time	7pm	9am ♥		
	Wardens	Barolo's	Haydn & Penne		
	Readers	<b>Monarto</b>	P Hilton		
	Tea Coffee				
<b>Christ Church</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 7pm The Steeple</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 8:30pm Christ Church</b>		
				Elder/Assist	<b>Christ Church 10:30am</b>
				Wardens	
				Readers	
				Greeters	
				Organist	
				Flowers	
				Tea/coffee/milk	
				PA	
	Data Projector				
	<b>10:45am</b>	Elder/Assist	<b>Elder/Assist D Pfeiffer</b>	<b>Elder/Assist J Pohl</b>	
		Wardens			
		Readers			
		Greeters			
		Prayers			
		PA			
		Data Projector			
		Counter			
		Grounds Roster			
Water & Care					

Thank you letter received from **Schools Ministry Group** displayed on JDH notice board

A thankyou letter has been received - please see notice board in JDH **Teen Challenge** are closed: Mon 23rd Dec to Fri 10th Jan

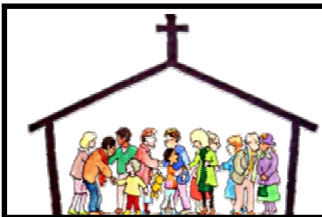
**HELP WANTED for 2020 Grounds Roster**  
 We still require people for **January, April, June, July, August & December**. Please contact the office if you can assist with these months. Thank you

**From the Leadership Team...**  
 The Leadership Team is calling a Special General Meeting to put forward motions to change the Constitution in line with current & future Government requirements

**Currently Constitution reads as:**  
**8.1** An Annual General Meeting of the Congregation shall normally be held in February or March, but must be held within five (5) months after the expiration of the Financial Year, to transact the following business  
**8.1.3** to receive the audited financial statements of the Congregation for the previous year;  
**9.7** The Congregation shall elect an auditor annually, in accordance with the Act, who shall examine thoroughly the financial records of the Treasurer and vouch for their correctness or otherwise and advise in writing, on aspects of the Congregations finances.

**Proposed changes:**  
**8.1** An Annual General Meeting of the Congregation shall normally be held in February or March, but must be held within three (3) months after the expiration of the Financial Year, to transact the following business  
**8.1.3** to receive the audited or checked financial statements of the Congregation for the previous year, inline with current government legislation  
**9.7** The Congregation shall elect an auditor or financial checker annually, in accordance with the Act, who shall examine thoroughly the financial records of the Treasurer and vouch for their correctness or otherwise and advise in writing, on aspects of the Congregations finances.





A Community of Faith is also  
a Community of Helping Hands.  
Thankyou to the Monarto members for  
the working bee at my place.  
*Pastor Andy*

**Christmas Office Hours** - The office is closed over Christmas from Wed 25th Dec to Fri 3rd Jan. There will be no bulletins for 29th Dec & 5th Jan

**2020 Office Hours** - The Church office will be closed on Wednesdays beginning in January 2020. If you have any questions please speak to Warren

**LET'S DO LUNCH**

**Sunday 29th Dec**  
**One combined service**  
**from 10am**

*Come and enjoy a shared lunch*  
*after worship to*



**Celebrate the New Year!**

*Please bring a savoury*  
*and a sweet to share.*



## COMING EVENTS


- Jan 19th** 3C CONNECT Service ~ 10:30am Christ Church  
**26th** Australia Day Combined Service ~ Christ Church  
 Breakfast 8am, service 9am
- Feb 9th** Music Ministry ~ The Steeple  
**16th** 3C CONNECT Service ~ 10:30am Christ Church  
**21st** CHIL ~ 5:30pm JDH
- Mar 13th** Music Ministry (Friday Night)  
**15th** Christ Church AGM ~ 1:30pm JDH  
**20th** CHIL ~ 5:30pm JDH

### **LCANZ PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

Reflecting God's Love ~ **KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE**

If you think a child is at risk of harm ... In an emergency, call 000 - If it is not an emergency, call your local police and child protection authority.

## **Diary Dates: 22 Dec ~ 12th Jan**

<b>Sun, 22nd</b> 	<b>Christ Church</b>  <b>Monarto</b> <b>Holy Cross</b>	<b>9am</b> Worship <b>10:30am</b> Communion - Baptism Caitlin Mueller <b>10:30am</b> Worship <b>7pm</b> ~ Children's Christmas Service
<b>Tues, 24th</b> <b>Christmas</b> <b>Eve</b>	<b>7pm</b> <b>7pm</b> <b>8:30pm</b>	Monarto ~ 6pm tea followed by service Music Ministry, The Steeple Christ Church
<b>Wed, 25th</b>	<b>9am</b> <b>10:30am</b>	Monarto Christ Church <i>Christmas Day</i>
<b>Office Closed ~ Wed 25th Dec to Fri 3rd Jan</b>		
<b>Sun, 29th</b>	<b>Christ Church</b> <b>&amp; Monarto</b>	Combined Service 10am ~ at Christ Church with Monarto followed by shared lunch to celebrate the New Year
<b>Tues, 31st</b>	<b>7pm</b>	NYE's Ecumenical Service ~ Holy Cross
<b>New Year's Day ~ Office Closed</b>		
<b>Sun, 5th</b> <b>January</b> <b>2020</b>	<b>Christ Church</b>  <b>Monarto</b>	<b>9am</b> Communion <b>10:30am</b> Worship <b>10:30am</b> Communion
<b>Mon, 6th</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	Cards & Coffee ~ Ed Cen
<b>7-10th January ~ SPIN Camp Kedron, Barmera</b>		
<b>Tues, 7th</b>	<b>11am</b>	Resthaven Ecumenical Service by Christ Church
<b>Thus, 9th</b>	<b>10am</b> <b>10am</b> <b>10:30am</b> <b>3pm</b>	<b>Bulletin Notices Due</b> Bible Study Lerwin Ecumenical Service by Christ Church Resthaven Communion ~ led by Christ Church
<b>Fri, 10th</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Lerwin Communion ~ led by Christ Church
<b>Sun, 5th</b> <b>January</b> <b>2020</b>	<b>Christ Church</b>  <b>Monarto</b>	<b>9am</b> Communion <b>10:30am</b> Worship <b>10:30am</b> Communion

For anybody experiencing domestic and/or family violence please call Centacare 8531 8888

# Combined Lutheran Churches News

**YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR  
BRIGHT COLOURS TO CHRISTMAS  
EVE SERVICE AT THE STEEPLE**



**JESUS**  
is still the *bestest*  
gift of all!

**Lutheran Community  
of Murray Bridge**

## 2019 CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES

<b>Children's Service 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Holy Cross, 31 Florence St</b>	<b>7pm</b>
<b>Christmas Eve 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Steeple, Unity College</b>	<b>7pm Family Service</b>
	<b>Zion Monarto, 427 Schenscher Rd</b>	<b>7pm Tea from 6pm</b>
	<b>Christ Church, 31 Swanport Rd</b>	<b>8:30pm</b>
<b>Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Zion Monarto 9am</b>	
	<b>Holy Cross 9:30am</b>	
	<b>Christ Church 10:30am</b>	
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Holy Cross 9:30am</b>	
	<b>Christ Church 10am</b>	<i>Combined service with Monarto</i>
<b>New Year's Eve 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Holy Cross 7pm</b>	<i>Ecumenical Service followed by supper in the hall, please bring a plate of food to share</i>



# Combined Lutheran Churches News

**Schools Ministry Group** are seeking to fill 4 PCW positions in our schools for next year.

- \* **Murray Bridge High School**
- \* **MB South Primary School**
- \* **Coomandook Area School**
- \* **Meningie Area School**

Application details can be obtained from SMG at [smg.asn.au](http://smg.asn.au)

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 \* May you be filled with  
 \* the wonder of *Mary,*  
 \* the obedience of *Joseph,*  
 \* the joy of the *angels,*  
 \* the eagerness of the  
 \* *shepherds,*  
 \* the determination of the *magi,*  
 \* and the peace of the  
 \* *Christ child.*  
 \* *Almighty God, Father,*  
 \* *Son and Holy Spirit*  
 \* *bless you now and forever.*  
 \* *Carla & Yvonne, Office Secretaries*  
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*Have you missed the  
'Leslie St' STAR?  
Its now shining brightly  
at 4 Charles St*



**Murray Bridge Lutheran  
Women's Guild**  
Committee Meeting  
January 14th at 9.30am  
Sunday School Rooms at Holy Cross



**Ladies Fellowship Planning  
Program for 2020**  
Lunch at Ed Centre at 12.30pm  
Tuesday 14th January.  
Bring a small plate of food to share.  
New faces welcomed.

**GUEST  
PREACHER**



### Guest Pastors at Holy Cross

**Pastor Vernon Kleinig ~ 29th Dec 9.30am**  
**Pastor Neville Kriewald ~ 5th Jan 9.30am**  
**Pastor David Christian ~ 12th Jan 9.30am**

### Guest Pastors at Christ Church

**Pastor David Preuss ~ 19th Jan 9am**

### Guest Pastors at Monarto

**Pastor David Preuss ~ 19th Jan 10:30am**

## Combined Lutheran Churches News

### Pray Continually

#### Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

December 2019

22nd Cheryl Doecke (CC)

Felix Patritti (CC)

23rd David Altmann (CC)

25th Beverly Frahn (CC)

Erwin Rohrlach (HC)

Glenda Schirmer (HC)

Rosa Waltrovitz (HC)

26th Norman Bensch (HC)



27th Jackson Koch (CC)

28th Dennis Pfeiffer (CC)

29th Roxanne Rowland (CC)

31st Sarah Doecke (CC)

Estelle Lees (CC)

Lynette Little (HC)

Marlene Schubert (CC)

#### January 2020

1st Barry Stoddart (HC)

2nd Amelia Noye (CC)

3rd Tamra Lees (CC)

5th Noleen Kluge (CC)

6th Bryan Lees (CC)

7th Marleen Dunthorne (CC)

Tania Klemm

8th Trent Mueller (CC)

9th Greg Herrmann (HC)

10th Tyson Beitz (CC)

James Bissett (CC)

Colin Schenscher (CC)

11th Kurt Unger (HC)

14th Bev Paech (CC)

15th Kaysen Archer (CC)

17th Ruby Eckermann (HC)

18th Myrna Gerlach (HC)

Ross Thiele (CC)

Please pray for everyone celebrating their  
Baptismal Birthday

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

Christ Church Lutheran and Monarto's Pastor Tim Koch has announced his retirement, his last day will be 22nd November 2020.

Pastor Paul Calnan has accepted the position of Pastor at Holy Cross, he will be working part time. His installation is on Sunday 23rd February 2020 by Bishop David Altus.

Please pray for Pastor Tim as he prepares for his retirement and for Pastor Paul as he prepares for his new role.



## Combined Lutheran Churches News

### Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Please Pray for...

**Christ Church Members:** Lores Frahn, Jasmine and Daniel Irvine, Darryl Klose, Noleen Kluge, Irene Kuchel, Margaret Kuchel, Peter Paech, David Pech, Murray Piltz, Sandra Thiele, June Walker & also for their Carers.

**Holy Cross Members:** Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Maxine Gogler, Lila Grocke, Trevor Hueppauff, Bert & Nita Hyam, Pat Jenke, Leila Koehler, Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Rosa Waltrovitz, Felicity Woods & also for their Carers.

**Resthaven:** Joyce Ahrns (CC), Ray Box (HC), Lorna Burrett (HC), Doris Hein (Mon), Gordon Jenke (HC), Dot Noller (CC), Helen Paech (Mon)

**Lerwin:** Colleen Fawcett (CC), Glad Hausler (CC), Enid Heidrich (CC), Chris Herbig (CC), Stewart Jaensch (CC), Dorothy Klitscher (HC), Alice Kowald (HC), Betty Paech (HC), Lorna Schulz (CC)

**Aminya Village, Mannum:** Val Stevens (CC)

**Bupa Aged Care:** Ruth Neindorf (HC)

**Meningie Hosp Aged Care:** Kurt Unger (HC)

**Estia Health Strathalbyn:** Leon Klitscher (HC)

**Tailem Bend Hosp:** Paul Fiegert (HC), Pat Gogel (HC), Bevan Schulz (HC).



Also Pray...

**Prayer of the Day:** Thank you, loving Father, for filling the world with the new light of your Word who became a human being. Keep the flame of faith and love burning in our hearts and shining in our lives. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

✠ Give thanks for the year that has been and for every day that is yet to come. Spend time reflecting on what direction we need to take to be more like Jesus and how we can help spread the Good News He brings to all. Pray for the people who are searching for real meaning in their lives—that they may find Jesus this Christmas.

✠ Pray for those travelling in the holidays that they are kept safe. Give thanks to God for this time of rest.

✠ Pray that all emergency workers, hospital staff and counsellors are kept safe as they take risks and make sacrifices for others in their daily work especially over the holiday period.