

**All Church Activities are
Dependent on Restrictions**

Coming Events (please advise the office of any changes)

Sun 14th		AGM Reports Due!
Mon 15th	7pm	Worship Meet, Ed Cen
	7:30pm	Leadership Meet, Ed Cen
Mon 15th - Thurs 18th		Red Cross visit JDH
Tues 16th	10am	Bible Study Friendship Group, Ed Cen
Wed 17th	7 pm	Ash Wednesday, Christ Church
Thurs 18th	11:45am	Ladies Fellowship, COC 327 Coffee Shop
Sat 20th	8am	Men's Breakfast, JDH
Sun 21st	9:30am	Christ Church
	10:30am	Monarto
Tues 23rd	11am	Resthaven Ecumenical Service (by HC)
	10am	Bible Study Friendship Group, Ed Cen
Wed 24th	7pm	Lent 1, Holy Cross
Thurs 25th	10:30am	Lerwin Ecumenical Service (by HC)

Monarto Congregation Contacts

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

Christ Church Congregation Contacts

Christ Church Elders	Dawn Hampel	8532 4138
	Denise Lohmeyer	8531 0935
	David Pech	0420 849 344
	Janelle Traeger	8535 4290
	Ian Kluge	0427 313 537, 8531 3449
Chairman	Warren Doecke	0417 804 663, 8572 6019
Cong. Secretary	Cheryl Doecke	0427 804 663, 8572 6019
Treasurer	Cynthia Frahn	0419 826 707
Church Secretary	Yvonne Stiller	8532 3445
Prop. & Maint.	Trent Mueller	0424 311 124

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



Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd, Murray Bridge

Zion Lutheran
427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



Last Sunday after Epiphany
14th February 2021

Thank You Lord
for all the blessings.

Transfiguration Sunday & Harvest Thanksgiving

Dear Heavenly Father I thank You will all my heart for the blessings that I receive every day. I thank You for everything You have done for me. I thank You for the beauty that surrounds me, I thank You for Your provisions each day, I thank You for my family and friends, for my health, But most of all...

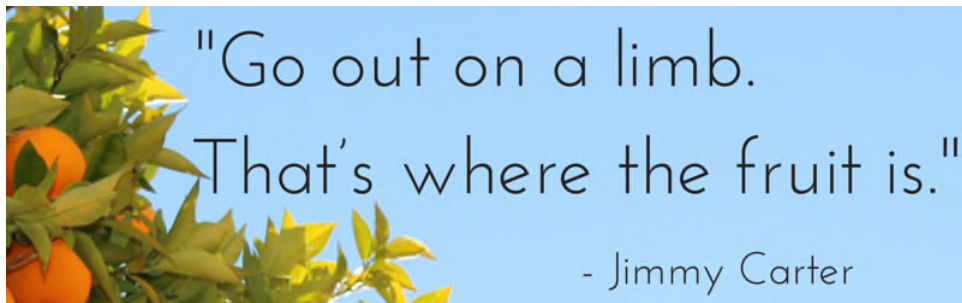
I thank You for the gift of Your son, Jesus Christ.

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

OFFICE HOURS 9am-12noon Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
CLOSED WEDNESDAYS

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FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastoral Call Process - important update

A group from Christ Church (*Trent Mueller, Yvonne Stiller & Warren Doecke-Ian Kluge proxy if needed*), Holy Cross & Monarto, facilitated by Pastor Stephen Schultz are meeting to discuss how we can work together and what is needed for Pastoral requirements here in Murray Bridge/Monarto. [Please see insert.](#)

Christ Church Call process will be on hold waiting the outcomes of these meetings.

2021 AGM

The AGM for 2021 will be held on **Sun 14th March**. Could everyone who provides a report for the AGM please have them into the office by **Sun 14th Feb**, thankyou.



Emergency Contact Details

Now that we are in Pastoral vacancy can you please note that Warren Doecke (Chairperson) will be the after hours emergency contact person. If you wish to speak to someone in regards to any Urgent Pastoral needs you can contact him on 0417 804 663

Nominations for 2021

The nominations committee are seeking nominations for vacant positions for 2021. Please pray about the future leadership direction of our congregation. Please be prepared to nominate yourself or someone who is willing to stand **NOW**. Please speak to Janelle Traeger or David Miegel.

We require 2 more people to join them on the nomination committee please consider, thanks.



Christ Church Rosters

Grounds

February - ???

14th Feb Hall ♥

COVID-Marshal	Bob Martin, Janelle Traeger
Elder Assist	Rod Zanker & Graham Schubert
Wardens	Peter & Valerie Jaensch
Greeters	Margaret Warnest, Inez Schulte, Shirley Lutze
Tea & Coffee	Doreen Borchardt, David & Joy Lienert
PA	Allan Hampel Video Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Counter Gary Beauglehall
Water & Care	Harry & Inez Schulte

7pm

17th Feb ♥ **Ash Wednesday - Church/Hall**

COVID-Marshal	Kathy Franklin
Elder Assist	Ian Kluge
Wardens	Dawn Hampel, David Lienert
Greeters	Ross & Merle Herrmann, Dianne Kluge
PA	Allan Hampel Video Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Coralie Mattner Counter Basil Schubert

21st Feb Hall

COVID-Marshal	Yvonne Stiller, Gary Beauglehall
Elder Assist	Warren Doecke
Wardens	Yvonne Stiller, Carl Beauglehall
Greeters	Gordon & Marilyn Schultz, Cheryl Doecke
Tea & Coffee	Sabine Jericho, Janelle Traeger
PA	Gary Beauglehall Video Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Counter Yvonne Stiller
Water & Care	Phil Hammond

28th Feb Hall ♥

COVID-Marshal	Kathy Franklin, Ian Kluge
Elder Assist	John Pohl, Denise Lohmeyer
Wardens	Gloria Pohl, Yvonne Stiller
Greeters	Coralie Mattner, Kathy Franklin, Sue Kuchel, Annette Korzeba
Tea & Coffee	Margaret Warnest, Lorna Penhall
PA	David Pech Video Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Bruno Lablack Counter Gerry Korzeba
Water & Care	John Schirmer Grounds ???????????

Urgent help required with grounds roster. Get a group together and contact the office to advise when YOU can assist.

Rosters are out up to the 10th March

Please check when you are rostered. If you haven't been rostered and would like to be please let me know. Due to the changes in requirements that we have been encountering with COVID you may have been accidentally left off the list, if that is the case I apologize, please let me know!

Thank you all for your willingness to serve one another

Yvonne Stiller, Office Secretary.

LCA/NZ 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.

For Christ Church Service times please see Coming Events

Check our Facebook Page
for the latest Take Away



Christ Church Lutheran Church

YouTube channel (*subscribe for easy access*)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckuwYNguhb8UFafjU7bFtKA>

Christ Church Web page:

<http://www.cclutheranmb.org.au/>

Music Ministry Online

(*second Sunday of the month*)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDoA2JRIV7vHNT0oceDkibg>

*Holy Cross hold a traditional service on the
1st & 3rd Sundays of the Month*

Please book in via their office 8532 4577

***For TV Options and Radio and Internet
options please contact the office for details***

Confirmation

Wednesday 17th Feb,
4pm @ HC Meeting Room

Sharing the News

The latest Sharing The News
is out now. Pick up a copy from
the Church, office or view
online on our website.

Barnabas Friendship Group

Resumes Mon 22nd Feb,
2pm @ Schubert's

Monarto Rosters

21st Feb 10:30am

Wardens: Colin & Raelene
Reader: Trevor Hilton

28th Feb 9am

AGM following Service

Wardens: Maxine Paech
Reader: Haydn Hein
Cuppa: Penne & Haydn

7th Mar 10:30am

Wardens: Robert Thiele
Reader: Pam Hilton




CAN YOU HELP?

**THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE ARE
SEEKING ASSISTANCE AT THE
WORKING BEE ON SAT 20TH FEB
STARTING AT 9AM**

+ being church without
barriers. 2021

**Music Ministry will be online
this weekend. Search YouTube
for Music Ministry Online**


Music Ministry Online



BLOOD BANK
We are visiting:
February 15th—February 18th

John Dohler Hall
31 Swanport Road, Murray Bridge.

Mon 15th	12.00pm – 6.00pm	Wed 17th	10.30am – 6:30pm
Tue 16th	10.00am – 6.30pm	Thurs 18th	8.30am—3.00pm



Concordia Kindergarten are inviting members of our Lutheran congregations to consider donating a bible to a child at Concordia Kindergarten.

All of the Kindy children will be presented with a bible in March. Bibles have been purchased for \$15 each. Any donations would be gratefully received. Donors will be invited to participate in giving out the bibles to the children.

Paper Shed helpers needed


We are in need of more helpers to assist during the week with sorting and packing papers etc in the paper shed. If you can help please contact the office. Basil Schubert & Malcolm Thiel will be happy to show you what to do. Many thanks



Thank you to everyone for bringing produce, goods, groceries and craft/hobby items in for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service, groceries etc will be taken to Teen Challenge & Food Bank.

And a big Thank you to ALL who helped out, your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Giving ALL TTHANKS to God!



The Lutheran World Federation (LWF), of which the LCA is an associate member, is conducting a global survey on 'being Lutheran'. Any member of the LCA/NZ is welcome to complete the online questionnaire, which can be accessed [here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MCXJG5H), <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MCXJG5H>. LWF has also produced a companion [discussion guide](#). Submissions to the survey will be received until 31 March 2021.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 20th February 2021
8am
John Dohler Hall
Swanport Road Murray Bridge

Ian Kluge tells his story and experiences from his recent trip to Africa
"God's provision and blessings"



RSVP 16th February
 Matt Woitd 0419 033 859
 Christ Church Office 85326553

COVID rules apply
 Donation appreciated

Friends of Lutheran Archives

Imagine leaving Germany expecting to settle in New Zealand, but ending up in South Australia instead! Come along to the first FoLA gathering for 2021 on Monday 22nd February, 7.30 pm in Bethlehem House in the city to hear Debra Bourke as she shares this fascinating story with us. Gold coin donation. All welcome. To comply with COVID regulations, all attendees need to pre-book by Fri 19/2/21. Please contact Helen Schubert on: hschubert@internode.on.net, or phone/text 0447740711. Don't forget to leave your name & phone number.

Myanmar Mission Update – Political Unrest.

On Monday 1st Feb 2021 the military seized power in the capital of Napidaw, Myanmar. The countries democratically elected de facto leader Aung San Suu Kyi and President Win Myint and many other government officials were detained by the military and placed under arrest. The military junta used the excuse that there were voting irregularities in the November 2020 which the party led by Aung San Suu Kyi, the National League for Democracy won over 80% of the available seats in a landslide victory. The military has declared a 12 month state of emergency. Urgent prayers that the democratically elected government will be allowed to govern and all political prisoners to be released. Please also pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Myanmar Lutheran churches and for the people of Myanmar who have suffered many years of hardship under military rule up until 2011.

Ian & Dianne Kluge



Lutheran Men of Australia

Feb 2021
NEWSLETTER
is available. Please
contact the office if
you want a copy.

Ink Cartridges

don't forget to bring in your
Used ink cartridges so they can
be recycled!

6.3 kgs sent from July-Sep



**RECYCLE
INK CARTRIDGES**

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Join us for our
first meeting for 2021

Thursday, Feb 18th
at 11.45am

at Church of Christ
327 Coffee Shop

Welcome to all

Ladies'
FELLOWSHIP



**Ash Wednesday
Service @ Christ Church**
17th February @ 7pm
A combined service

Mid Week Lenten Services @7pm

24th Feb	Lenten 1	Holy Cross
3rd Mar	Lenten 2	Christ Church
10th Mar	Lenten 3	Holy Cross
17th Mar	Lenten 4	Christ Church
24th Mar	Lenten 5	Holy Cross

(All Mid week Lenten services offerings
will be going towards Schools Ministry)

Maundy Thursday Service

Christ Church 7pm / Holy Cross 7pm / Monarto TBA

40 DAYS
a Lenten devotion and prayer guide

Download the prayer guide at
www.lca.org.au/international-mission

Or contact the church office for a printed copy

Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Please Pray for... (Please note, before visiting check with family for any visitation allowances and/or restrictions)

Christ Church: Martha Aartsen, Lores Frahn, Audrey Jaensch, Noleen Kluge, Irene Kuchel, Margaret Kuchel, Bryan Lees, Joy Lienert, Andy & Colleen Nicholls, Peter Paech, David Pech, Joyce Pope, Leo Schulz, Sandra Thiele, June Walker, Lesley Zadow, & also for their Carers. And for Oscar Noye and Amelia & Josh Noye.

Holy Cross: Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Lila Grocke, Bert & Nita Hyam, Pat Jenke, Leila Koehler, Phyllis & Glen Koop, Matt Kruschel, Joy Leighton, Margaret Pfeiffer, Jim & Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Felicity Woods & also for their Carers.

Resthaven: Joyce Ahrns (CC), Norm Bensch (HC), Ray Box (HC), Lorna Burrett (HC), Doris Hein (Mon), Dot Noller (CC), Helen Paech (Mon), Murray Piltz (CC)

Lerwin: Glad Hausler (CC), Stewart Jaensch (CC), Dorothy Klitscher (HC), Alice Kowald (HC), Betty Paech (HC)

Aminya Village, Mannum: Val Stevens (CC)

Golden Grove Helping Hand: Joyleen Rosenzweig (CC)
(209 The Golden Way, Golden Grove 5125)

Warner Close, Murray Bridge: Colleen Fawcett (CC)

Jallarah Homes Meningie: Noleen Kluge (CC)

Meningie Hosp Aged Care: Kurt Unger (HC)

Tailem Bend Hospital: Pat Gogel, Bevan Schulz, Phyllis Koop (All HC)



Prayer of the Day:

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.**

Also Pray...

- ✦ For all children as they begin their educational journey and for those who are just beginning their relationship with God. Also pray the following children at Kindy; Luca, Arda, Barbolo, Asnaf & Hudson. Pray also for the Year 2&3 students at Unity and surrounding schools.
- ✦ Merciful Father, you have protected the fruits of the earth and crowned the year with your blessing. Bless and protect the living seed of your word which has been sown in our hearts, so that we may produce the fruit of your word and always offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice of thanks.

Pray Continually

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

14th	Audrey Jaensch (CC)	..16th	Matthew Richards (CC)
	Ben Traeger (CC)	19th	Heather Schirmer (CC)
15th	Luke Frahn (Mon)	21st	Maria Crook (CC)
	Claire Richards (CC)		Grant Klenke (CC)
16th	Raelene Barolo (Mon)		Murray Nitschke (HC)
	Kym Richards (CC)		



Please pray for everyone celebrating their
Baptismal Birthday

If you would like to be included in our Prayers or have your Birthday or Anniversary announced, please contact Yvonne in the office on 8532 6553 .

Noleen Kluge recently moved to Jallarah Homes, Meningie and is settling in to her new home well. She is enjoying Jallarah, the good food and other residents and staff. She thanks all the people who have supported her at Swanport Village the past few years since Hedley's passing and welcomes people to call or visit her; Room 5 - Mob 0429 883 534.

Noleen would like to thank the people from Christ Church Lutheran who have supported her and will remain a member of Christ Church Lutheran Murray Bridge. *Ian Kluge*

Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer needed for 2021

Please be aware that we will need to fill the Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer positions in 2021. Cynthia Frahn is no longer able to continue as our Treasurer after the AGM. She will however be able to continue as the bookkeeper. Please prayerfully consider if you are able fill these positions or can suggest anyone, even in a shared capacity.

Murray Bridge-Monarto shared ministry

On the 18th January a meeting was held at Christ Church with 18 representatives from the leadership of Christ Church and Holy Cross (no representative from Monarto was at this meeting). The meeting was facilitated by the Assistant Bishop for Mission in the SA-NT District of the LCA, Pastor Stephen Schultz.

The meeting was convened because both parishes are in a time of transition and need to make decisions about issuing calls. It is an opportune time to consider a coordinated approach that makes the best use of the resources available.

Purpose of the meeting

To consider as a matter of urgency the working relationship between the two parishes in relation to: governance structures, worship service options, use of the pastor resource, use of physical/financial resources, ministry-mission opportunities, relationship with other entities (Kindergarten, Unity College, Lutheran Homes).

It was unanimous among all 18 leaders present that there was a desire to pursue a closer working relationship. In order to work through the details a task group was established. This task group has 3 representatives from Christ Church (Warren, Yvonne and Trent), 3 from Holy Cross (Joanne, Greg and Daniel) and 1 from Monarto (Colin). The task group is being facilitated by Pastor Stephen. This task group has met twice (27th January & 10th February) and is scheduled to meet again on the 16th February.

Task Group

So far this group has focussed on two key things:

1. A worship schedule for a shared entity (that is, what services would be held in which locations, at what times, with what style of service and with what pastor or lay leader). This has generated a great deal of conversation as we try and create a balanced and equitable schedule of services.

2. The second issue is around what full-time equivalent is required in the pastor position or positions. The early consensus is that two pastor positions are required to manage the existing workload of services, pastoral care and discipleship training. Potentially there would be a full-time (1.0FTE) Lead Pastor position and a part-time Associate Pastor position. The full-time equivalent for this part-time position would be determined by the role and the available finances among the congregations (possibly 0.6FTE).

The next steps for the task group are to finalise a draft worship program and a suggested role description for each pastor position. Discussions will also include the suggested financial contribution required from each location and how the administrative support positions can be coordinated across the entity.

The task group will then report back to the broader leadership group with their recommendations for discussion and refining. These recommendations will then be communicated back to the membership of all congregations. It is likely this will occur initially in a forum style meeting where people can ask questions and raise issues without the pressure of having to make a decision. Depending on the feedback from the forum any recommendations will be brought to duly convened meetings of the congregations for decision.

Please keep this process and the leaders involved in your prayers so that God's will can be done in this community.

Pastor Stephen Schultz



14 February 2021

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 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



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	Psalm 51:1-17	Have mercy on me, God
S	Mark 1:9-15	The temptation of Jesus

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

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

BLESSING

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. 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 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.

mealtime 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.