



Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd,
Murray Bridge



Zion Lutheran
427 Schenscher Rd,
Monarto



LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF AUSTRALIA
where love comes to life

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday 8th August 2021

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

All Services and Events subject to COVID restrictions

THE OFFICE MAY BE OPEN. If you come in you will need to wear a mask. – all pending on COVID restrictions.

Due to the COVID 19 situation, the rules, restrictions and guidelines for our safety are changing. Sometimes this is very quick and late, so there is not enough notice to let everyone know.

Please follow the directions of the people in charge at our services.

*****Masks are required until further notice*****

Christ Church Worship Today, 8th August:

Thank you to Pastor Tim and Delton Schiller for leading our Worship Service today

Bible Readings Ephesians 3:1-10; 4:1-6; 4:25-5:2

Songs Here I am to worship, One body, Casting Crowns - Jesus, Friend of Sinners, Walking Down the Road, Remembrance, Ten Thousand Reasons

Worship services 15th August:

Monarto 10:30am – lay reader – Wardens: Robert T / Reader: Rollo H

Christ Church **BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL (UNTIL ADVISED)**

PLEASE CALL/EMAIL OFFICE WITH YOUR NAME & CONTACT NUMBER.

OFFERINGS WILL BE COLLECTED AT SIGN IN

Join us for 9am cuppa (must be seated) and fellowship in the hall before Worship.

9.30am Family Service in the Hall with Jeanette Mann leading.

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11.00am Traditional Service in Church with Pastor Paul Calnan with Holy Communion

Upcoming Christ Church Worship Services

On **Sunday 15th August** at 9:30am in the hall there will be a **Family Service** (there is also a traditional service in the church at 11am). It will be an interactive time for any age (not just families) giving opportunities to build connections with each other and grow in faith. So invite family and friends and join us on Sunday 15th.

Upcoming Worship Services cont.....

On **Sunday 29th August** in the Hall the Blueprint Ministries Team (the LCA SA-NT children, Family, Youth & Young Adults Ministries Team) will be leading the 9:30am service. A Christian Life Week band will be leading the music and young leaders involved with the Riverland & Lower Murray / South East Christian Life Weeks will be attending. (They will be holding the Leaders Training event over the weekend at Christ Church). Come along to support and encourage them in their ministry to other young people in South-Eastern SA.

A Soup & Sausage sizzle lunch will be held and open to all on that day.

Other Notices

Call Committee:

Christ Church: Graham Schubert, Tamra Lees, Sabine Jericho & Trent Mueller.

Monarto: Colin Wegener and Raelene Barolo.

Holy Cross: Joanne Pfeiffer, Annette Pearce, Jeff Hentschke & Daniel Altmann.

General Synod 2021 - This year will be held in two parts – an online meeting in October 2021 and an in-person meeting in 2022. More info go to

<https://www.lca.org.au/change-in-format-for-general-synod/>

Next Youth: Friday 13th August, The Cave , From 6pm to 8:30pm, Please bring tea to share – All Welcome

Shoe Boxes of Love: Have you started to get items ready for your shoebox ? This is a project to reach out to children with gift filled shoeboxes and also bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ run by Samaritans Purse. Christ Church will be collecting shoe boxes this year. They need **to be returned in October** to receive a blessing at a Service. *If you need ideas please contact the church office or information is available at church services.*

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH MONARTO - 150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday 19th September 2021 - Thanksgiving Service 10.30am

Guest Preacher Bishop David Altus. Lunch provided. *RSVP by September 1st 2021.*

REGISTER by EMAIL to janbrodde@outlook.com or telephone (08) 8532 5050

SMG – Chaplaincy Dinner: Supporting Ministry in Schools, Proceeds to support young people in our school community. Sat 28th Aug, 6:30pm, Church of Christ, Seventh St Murray Bridge. Guest Speaker: Mr David Bland, Regional Coordinator of the Schools Ministry Group. Tickets: \$25 - Available from Christ Church Lutheran Church Office. Includes a three course meal

FRIENDS OF LUTHERAN ARCHIVES — Handing back land to families:

Hermannsburg land titles 1972–1982, the government was granting Aborigines in Central Australia freehold titles to their traditional lands. Leaders each wanted their family group to have a separate title, instead of having one collective title. The government eventually agreed to this, and so the original Hermannsburg Mission Lease of almost 3,800 square kms was divided up. Ps Paul Albrecht, Superintendent Garry Stoll and Research Officer Rex Ziersch will tell that story on Sun 22 Aug, 2.30pm at Bethlehem House (upstairs), Sudholz Pl, Adelaide. **Bookings essential.** Please book from Mon 16 to 3pm on Sat 21 Aug so you can be advised of any change in COVID restrictions. Ph or text (no voicemail) to Helen Schubert 0447 740 711. Please bring a face mask in case it is required, and sign in by QR code or attendance sheet. Donations welcome.

Vision Christian Media – Murray Bridge Relay Station – Appeal

The MB Inter-Church Council are working with Vision Christian Media to establish a 24 hour repeater radio transmitter in the Murray Bridge area. Vision Christian Media operate 24 hours per day and broadcast from Queensland and via satellite through a low powered repeater we can receive the Christian content in Murray Bridge. This is an opportunity to bless people who for whatever reason are house bound or in care to receive a Christian message at anytime. To set up the radio transmitter a one off cost of \$5000 is needed.

Christ Church Leadership has supports this endeavour as it reaches out to all people in Murray Bridge. Retiring offerings will be taken on Sunday's 8th and 15th August for this very worthwhile project. A minimum of \$700 has been committed by the Leadership team to this appeal. God has blest us all so richly and so this enables us to bless others with what he has given us.

Ian Kluge, Chairperson MB Inter-Church Council/Elder

Lutheran Men of Australia - The August LMA newsletter as well as the LMV Men led by God Camp flyer and registration forms are available from services or the office.

Murray Bridge Christian Community Mens Group Friday 20th August, 6:30pm
Pizza Tea and Popcorn – JDH. Comedy Movie Night – by Ray 'Walt Disney'
Emmins. BYO snacks and drinks **RSVP: 18th Aug Matt Woidt 0419 033 859**

Ladies Fellowship Thursday 19th August, 7pm, Ed Centre
Come and share your INSPIRATIONAL EXPERIENCES – read, heard, seen or done!
Offering: Lutheran Church Cambodia & LWA Convention. ALL ladies welcome

Tuesday Bible Study Group – will recommence Tuesday, 10th August, 10am in the Ed Centre

Barnabas Group – Monday 9th Aug, 2pm @ Lablacks

Thrift Shop – please note the thrift shop has been cancelled for September

Concordia Kindergarten presentation of Bibles has been postponed until further notice

Elders & Elder Assistants: Elder Assistants are invited to join Elders at their next meeting on Mon Aug 9th at 7:30pm in the Ed Centre. We will start the meeting by going through the requirements for setting up the elements for a Communion Service. COVID has changed the way we go about this.

2021 Australian Census As many of you will know, the Australian Census will be taken again on 10th August. Years ago, when the census had been taken, you had the option of ticking a box to indicate your religion was 'Lutheran'. This year there does not appear to be a box to tick for this so we encourage you to please enter 'Lutheran' as your religion in the spaces provided. This will help us gather important information which can assist the church with identifying and planning future mission and ministry opportunities.

Red Cross Blood Bank: Got a bit of time this August? Time to give blood and change lives? 1 in 3 people in Murray Bridge will need blood, and they need people like you to give it. We're rolling into town from 16th August to 19th August. Don't forget to pre-book your spot at donateblood.com.au, on our app or on 13 14 95.

MB Rotary Art Show: July to 15 Aug, open 10am to 4pm. Murray Bridge Regional Gallery, 27 Sixth Street Murray Bridge

Prayers:

Prayer of the day: Merciful Father, your Son Jesus Christ gave up his life so that we might die to self and live in him. Give us such close fellowship with him that in all doubts and dangers our faith may not fail. 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....

- ✠ Continue to pray for the teachers, children & families at Concordia Kindy and also for the Yrs 10&11 students at Unity and surrounding schools.
- ✠ Pray for the confirmation class, their parents and families and Pastor Paul as he prepares them to be confirmed later this year: Bethany Calnan, Holly Elliott, Layla Hearne, Cooper & Brady Lienert, Harry & Edward Rigney, Archer Stephens, & Marni Woidt

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

- 8th Bradley Kirpensteyn (CC), Robert Kirpensteyn (CC), Gil Latz (HC)
- 9th Trudy Gogel (HC)
- 10th Halen Lienert (HC)
- 11th Colleen Biar (CC), Karl Doecke (CC), Dianne Kluge (CC), Harper Roocke (CC)
- 12th Troy Patrilli (CC)
- 14th Greg Traeger (CC)

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, Irene Kuchel, Margaret Kuchel, Bryan Lees, Joy Lienert, Andy & Colleen Nicholls, Oscar, Amelia & Josh Noye, Peter Paech, Joyce Pope, Leo Schulz, Dirk Stegmeyer, Sandra Thiele, June Walker & also for their Carers.

Holy Cross: Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Olga Burgemeister, Lila Grocke, Bert & Nita Hyam, Leila Koehler, Glen Koop, Matt Kruschel, Joy Leighton, Jim & Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Clarita Venn, Matt Woidt, Felicity Woods & also for their Carers.

Resthaven: Joyce Ahrns (CC), Norm Bensch (HC), Lorna Burrett (HC), Doris Hein (Mon), Margaret Koop (CC), Dot Noller (CC), Murray Piltz (CC)

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

Aminya Village, Mannum: Val Stevens (CC)

Craigmore Resthaven: Ivy Roennfeldt (CC)

Golden Grove Helping Hand: Joyleen Rosenzweig (CC)

Jallarah Homes Meningie: Noleen Kluge (CC)

Warner Close, Murray Bridge: Colleen Fawcett (CC)

Meningie Hosp Aged Care: Kurt Unger (HC)

St Paul's Aged Care, Hahndorf: Margaret Pfeiffer (HC)

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

Eric Kuss is now permanently in Lerwin. He would enjoy your visits. Please check for any restrictions.

If you would like to be included in our Prayers or have your Birthday or Anniversary announced, please email the office or when the office is open phone 8532 6553 .

CHRIST CHURCH ROSTERS

	<i>JDH</i> 8-Aug	<i>JDH</i> 15-Aug	<i>CHURCH</i> 15_Aug	<i>JDH</i> 22-Aug	<i>JDH</i> 29_Aug
COVID Marshal	Kathy Franklin	Dawn Hampel	Gary & Chris Beaughlehall	Carl Beaughlehall	Dawne Schmerl
Elder/Assist	Warren Doecke Graham Schubert	Delton Schiller	Janelle Traeger Ian Kluge	Delton Schiller Dawn Hampel	Graham Schubert
Wardens	Sue Kuchel	Yvonne Stiller	Gordon &Merylyn Schulz	Kathy Franklin	Yvonne Stiller
Greeters	Joyce Hermann Dawne Schmerl	Graham Schubert Marlene Schubert	Margaret Warnest Doreen Borchardt	Lynette Schiller Coralie Mattner	Ross & Merle Herrmann
Tea/Coffee	Doreen Borchardt Lorna Penhall	Sabine Jericho Joyce Hermann		Janelle Traeger Margaret W	David Lienert Chris Beaughlehall
PA	Roger Hampel	Nathanael Mann	Tamra Lees	Allan Hampel	Gary Beaughlehall
Video	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	Ron Jericho	
Data Projector	Cheryl Doecke	Chris Beaughlehall	Bruno Lablack	Jasamine Irvine	Dawn Hampel
Counter	Delton Schiller	Gerry Korzeba	Basil Schubert Greg Traeger	Gary Beaughlehall	Gerry Korzeba
Grounds Roster					
Water & Care	Yolette Koch	Harry & Inez		John Schirmer	Tim Koch

Coming Events – Subject to COVID restrictions

(please advise the office of any changes)

Every Monday 9:30am Cards, Ed Cen

Every Tuesday 10am Bible Study Friendship Group, Ed Cen

Every Wednesday Office Closed & Confirmation 3:45pm, Holy Cross

Mon 9th	2pm	Barnabas Group meet at Lablack's
	7:30pm	Elders meet, Ed Cen (Elder Assists invited)
Tues 10 th	10am	Bible Study, Ed Cen
Wed 11th	1:15pm	Women's Guild, Concordia Hall
Fri 13th	6pm	Youth, The Cave
Sun 15th	9:30am	Christ Church service in JDH
	10:30am	Coffee before/after services at Christ Church
	10:30am	Monarto Service
	11am	Christ Church Traditional service in the Church

Coming Events – Subject to COVID restrictions cont.....

Mon 16th-Thurs 19th		Red Cross Blood Bank, JDH
Mon 16th	7:30pm	Leadership Team, Ed Cen
Thurs 19th	3pm 7pm	Resthaven Communion (by HC) Ladies Fellowship Ed Centre
Fri 20th	6:30pm	Men's Group, Comedy Movie Night, JDH
Sun 22nd	9am 9:30am	Monarto Service Christ Church Service in JDH
Thurs 26th	11am	Ecumenical Service Lerwin, Holy Cross
Fri 27th	6pm	Youth, The Cave
Sat 28th	6:30pm	SMG Chaplaincy Dinner, Church Of Christ
Sun 29th	9:30am	Christ Church Service in JDH LMSE and Riverland CLW leaders – soup/sausage sizzle lunch No Service At Monarto
Tue 31st	11am	Ecumenical Service Resthaven, Christ Church

Due to the widespread lockdowns in many parts of Australia, the LCA has reactivated the Church@Home resources.

For Sunday 8th August Go to:

<https://www.lca.org.au/worship/wpp/service-order/?order-type=church-at-home&post-id=16821>

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(Dependant on COVID restrictions) MASKS REQUIRED TO BE WORN

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"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



WHY NOT A SQUARE WORLD?

Some time ago, a friend who had been through a family sadness told me she had decided to read the Bible and learn more about this God that her sister and other people she knew talked about. A couple of days ago, I asked, "How's the Bible reading going?" Understanding the question came from a friendly interest, and with a knowing smile, she said, "It comes and goes. But I am talking to God. The other day I was talking to Him, and I asked, 'God! You can do anything. So why did you make the world round and not square?' My expression must have said something, because before I could comment, she went on, "Well, I think He could have made it square, and I just wondered why he chose to make it round. I haven't got an answer yet, but I know one day I'll understand why".

My logical mind could immediately visualize all sorts of problems. Then the light bulb went on, "Oh for such an uncomplicated faith!"

God himself tells us in His Word he made everything. He then looks at all he had made and makes a comment, "That is very good!" So, there is no Godly reason why He could not have made a square world. I know; it does your head in a bit.

However, more important than having the power/ability to make the world, whatever the shape, is his powerful love for the world and all on it, including you, me and all our friends and families. His Word tells us, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Surprisingly, this love from a mighty God, who is so powerful, is more interested in building a two-way friendship of love and respect with all people, even though we often turn our back on Him. Check out his words, "But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." (Romans 5:8)

The God of love made the world, but He is more focused on you and helping you live a life of forgiven friendship with Him every day. That is why Jesus died, so you and His great, powerful, and loving Father can be friends. Do you have doubts? Sounds too easy? Talk to Him about it.

May God watch over you,

Kevin.

#References in (brackets) are where you can find the words in the Bible.



8 August 2021

ELEVENTH
SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

Jesus gives himself as the
living bread for eternal life.

verse for the week

"I tell you for
certain that
everyone who
has faith in me
has eternal life"

JOHN 6:47

Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

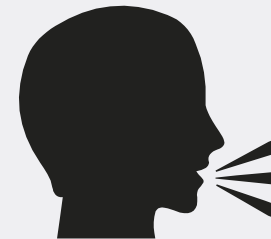
S	John 6:35, 41-51	Bread from heaven
M	1 Kings 19:4-8	Elijah flees from Jezebel
T	Ephesians 4:25-5:2	Rules for the new life
W	John 4:1-16	Jesus promises living water
T	Revelation 7:9-17	Never again will they hunger
F	Genesis 18:1-15	Abram and Sarai feed strangers
S	Psalm 34:1-8	Taste and see
S	John 6:51-58	Christ, the true food and drink

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

Creative Response

Ephesians 4:29 says, "Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear."

Set aside a time this week to give family and friends compliments or words of encouragement. Pray that God will help you be more encouraging to one another.



mealt ime prayer

o taste and see that the Lord is good, we thank you now for this daily food. Amen.

Service



St Paul reminds us that, as Christians, we work not only to provide for ourselves but so that we 'have something to share with those in need' (Ephesians 4:28).

Collect a household offering to support an organisation helping those in need. One suggestion is ALWS Gifts of Grace. See www.alws.org.au/index.php/gifts-of-grace

Caring Conversations

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

1

What do you hope to be doing in five, ten and twenty years from now?

2

Jesus promises eternal life to everyone who has faith in him – the verse of the week. How do you feel about Jesus' promise?

3

In the Gospel of John eternal life begins now by receiving and eating the living bread that is Jesus. What does it mean to you that eternal life begins now?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, help me to look to you and believe. Amen.



BLESSING

May God bless you with a strong faith in Jesus. May his promise of eternal life give you hope, peace and joy.