



Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd,
Murray Bridge



Zion Lutheran
427 Schenscher Rd,
Monarto



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday 19th September 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 may need to
wear a mask. – This depends on COVID restrictions on the day.

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, 19th September

9:30am: Thank you to Jeanette Mann for leading the service

Reading: Mark 9:30-37

Songs: Way Maker; The Servant Song; Give Me Oil in My Lamp; Build Your Kingdom Here

11:00am: Thank you to Pastor Paul Calnan for leading the service

Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

Hymns: Shine Jesus Shine; In You is Gladness; When the Earth Was Created; What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Worship Services: 26th September

Monarto 9:00am: Lay Reading

Wardens – Colin & Raelene Wegener; Reader – Barolo; Morning Cuppa: Joy & Trevor Paech

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 Worship in the Hall with Communion – Pastor Robert Wiebusch

Other Notices

Car Park

On the Sundays where there are 2 services can we all be considerate and leave space for the older members of the congregations who may be coming to the later service, so they do not have to walk a long way.

Call Committee Update:

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

Monarto: Colin Wegener and Raelene Barolo.

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

The Call Committee has with the guidance of Pastor Stephen Schultz, continued the process of selecting a Pastor to call to the full-time lead Pastor role in the Shared Ministry of Christ Church, Holy Cross and Monarto. The Pastor recommended to be called is Pastor David Kuss – members are asked not to contact Pastor David Kuss. **There will be a Combined Call meeting (Holy Cross, Christ Church and Monarto) chaired by Pastor Stephen Schultz on Sunday 26th September at 4pm at The Steeple at Unity College.** A quorum from each congregation is required for the call process. Please remember to wear your mask (COVID requirement) and bring a pen for voting. The call committee will provide Pastor David Kuss' profile to the congregations after services on 19th and 26th September, by email or you can collect from either Church office during opening times.

Next Youth: Friday 24th September - 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 the October 24th Service. *If you need ideas please contact the church office or information is available at church services.*

Volunteer Opportunity – Driver Supervisor

Assisting and supporting young people to achieve their driver's licence. (See noticeboard for details)

Wheelchair

Do you have a wheelchair that is not in use? The one in the Hall is in need of replacing. Please contact either the office or the Property committee.

Accommodation available in Adelaide

A female has a townhouse in Norwood with a furnished spare room for rent. It would ideally suit a Lutheran female student or young professional, or at the very least, a practising Christian. The rental period is from September 2021 to February 2022 inclusive.

Please contact Pastor Peter Miller at:

- Email: peter.miller@lca.org.au
- Mob. 0409 725 573
- 08 8267 5211 (SA-NT District Office)

Mission and Outreach

A reminder to members and friends to keep collecting all your used stamps and bread tags. Bring to service or leave at the office. Also continue to support Teen Challenge – so many are doing it tough and we can support where we can.

Friends of Lutheran Archives

SIASSI STORIES – Rosemary Winderlich & her pastor husband, Robert, spent 9 years on Siassi Island, Papua New Guinea. Rosemary will share some of their experiences with PowerPoint, music, photos, poetry & stories at the next Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA) gathering on Monday 20th September, 7.30 pm at Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place in the City. All welcome, donations of \$4/\$5 appreciated.

Andre Rieu Afternoon of Music



Sunday 3rd October at 2:00pm in the Hall
Neville and Marie Mueller will present the DVD of the concert they attended in the Netherlands. Proceeds will support Myanmar Mission.
Contact Dianne Kluge 0408 807 008

Book of Reports for 2021-2022 LCA Convention of General Synod

General synod will be held as online sessions on October 1-2 with a worship service on October 3. The Office has a copy of the reports but they are also available at www.generalsynod.lca.org.au/agenda

Rescheduled Confirmation camp

Application forms for the rescheduled Confirmation Camp to be held on Nov 5-7, 2021 are available from the Office. There is a Camper form as well as an application for leaders form.

We thank the generous sponsors who have contributed to the subsidized cost of camp – Blueprint Ministries, grants, congregational donations and private donations.

Employment Opportunity

Property Maintenance and Co-ordinator at Murray Bridge Lutheran Villages. Please see noticeboard for details or contact the Office. Closes –Tuesday 28th September.

Barnabas Friendship Group

Next meeting – Wednesday 22nd September 2021 at 2pm at Schubert's.

Next Newsletter

Now is the time to forward all articles for the next newsletter to Janelle or the Office. We want to know what has been happening in your life.

For Your Diary

Reformation (October 31) and Confirmation (November 14) are to be held at The Steeple at Unity College. More details to follow.

Prayers:

Prayer of the day: Lord, grant your people grace to avoid the contamination of the devil, and to follow you, the only Lord, with pure hearts and minds; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Also pray....

- ✠ Almighty Father, We thank You for Your great salvation plan for mankind and Your beloved Son, Lord Jesus Christ, who came into this world as a living sacrifice. In all His time on earth, He laid His life upon Your will, and loved and served the world.
- ✠ Lord, thank you for letting us work with you to share your joy with the world. Help us not take for granted the gift it is to share your gospel to the nations, and to our neighbors. Help us have eyes to see the needs around us and to respond to those needs in joy and hope. Thank you so much Lord for your love and care over us.
- ✠ Where there is grief O Lord, where sadness overwhelms in the face of dying in this COVID season; bring your mercy and love. Comfort people with your promises and presence. Use your faithful people as your living and loving presence with those who grieve.

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

Christ Church: Martha Aartsen, Jasmine & Winston Dance, 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, Vena Shinnick, Sandra Thiele, June Walker & their Carers.

Holy Cross: Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Olga Burgemeister, Lila Grocke, Bert & Nita Hyam, Leila Koehler, Glen Koop, Matt Kruschel, Joy Leighton, Erin, Travis, Cooper & Brady Lienert, Jim & Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Clarita Venn, Felicity Woods & 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: Phylis Courtney (HC), Glad Hausler (CC), Stewart Jaensch (CC), Dorothy Klitscher (HC), Eric Kuss (CC), Alice Kowald (HC), Betty Paech (HC)

Craigmore Resthaven: Ivy Roennfeldt (CC)

Golden Grove Helping Hand: Joyleen Rosenzweig (CC)

Gumeracha Hospital: Margaret Warnest

Jallahomes Meningie: Noleen Kluge (CC)

Warner Close, Murray Bridge: Colleen Fawcett (CC)

Meningie Hosp Aged Care: Kurt Unger (HC), Felicity Woods (HC)

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

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

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

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

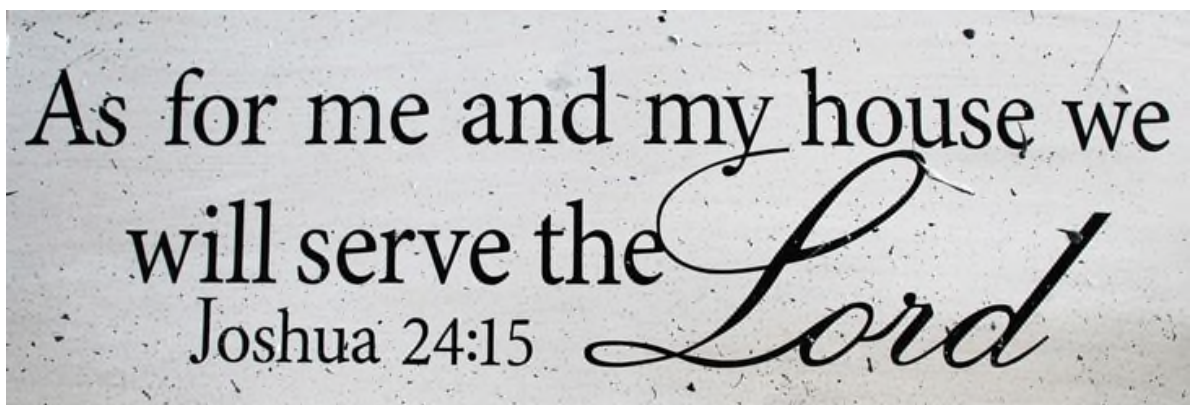
- 23rd Jeanette Zanker (CC)
 24th Logan Frahn (CC); Brian Traeger (CC)
 25th Michael Jaensch (CC); Maxine Gogler (HC)

Member Update

Margaret Warnest has been in the Murray Bridge Hospital for several weeks. On Monday 13th September Margaret will be transferred to Gumeracha Hospital as part of a Care Program for approximately 3 months. Margaret would like to thank everyone for their prayers, telephone calls and visits.

CHRIST CHURCH ROSTERS

	<i>JDH</i> 19-Sep	<i>CHURCH</i> 19-Sep	<i>JDH</i> 26-Sep	<i>JDH</i> 3-Oct
COVID Marshal		Janelle Traeger	Lynette Schiller	Dawne Schmerl
Elder/Assist	Gary Beauglehall	Ian Kluge Graham Schubert	Delton Schiller Dawn Hampel	Garry Beauglehall
Wardens	Kathy Franklin	Peter & Valerie Jaensch	Gloria Pohl	David Doecke
Greeters	Doreen Borchardt Sue Kuchel	Joan Bahr Coral Coulter	Ruth Schrapel Shirley Lutze	Joan Martin Bob Martin
Tea/Coffee	Yollette Koch Dianne Kluge		Janelle Traeger David Lienert	Chris Beauglehall Joyce Herrmann
PA	Nathanael Mann	Roger Hampel	Tamra Lees	Allan Hampel
Video				
Data Projector	Tamra Lees	Dawn Hampel	Chris Beauglehall	Justin Hage
Counter	Gerry Korzeba	Basil Schubert	Yvonne Stiller	Gerry Korzeba
Grounds Roster				
Water & Care	John Schirmer			



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

SEPTEMBER

Sun 19th 10:30am Monarto Zion Church 150th Anniversary – Bishop David Altus
Mon 20th 7:30pm Leadership Team, Ed Cen
Fri 24th 6pm Youth, The Cave
Sun 26th 9am Monarto Service – Lay Reading
9:30am Christ Church Service in JDH
4pm Call Meeting, Unity College Steeple

OCTOBER

Sun 3rd 9:30am Christ Church Service in JDH
10:30am Monarto Service – Pastor Peter Kriewaldt
11:00am Christ Church Service in Church
Mon 4th 7pm Worship Team meets, Ed Cen
7:30pm Property meets, Ed Cen
Thurs 7th 11am Ecumenical Service Lerwin, Holy Cross
Fri 8th 6pm Youth, The Cave
Sun 10th 9:00am Monarto Service – Lay Reading
9.30am Christ Church Service in JDH with Baptism – Pastor Tim Koch

Monarto Congregation Contacts

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Monarto Treasurer Colin Wegener 0407 030 241

Monarto Secretary Jan Brodde 8532 5050

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Church Secretary Yvonne Stiller 8532 3445

Prop. & Maint. Nathanael Mann 0439 506 826

OFFICE HOURS 9am-12noon Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri CLOSED WEDNESDAYS
(Dependant on COVID restrictions) **MASKS REQUIRED TO BE WORN**

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"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



FOCUS!

What is the focus of your life?

Interestingly, our focus seems to have moved from people, family, friends to "self" in more recent times. This "self-interest" is demonstrated in the rise of the "Selfie" photograph, which we then forwarded to "Friends" and others through Facebook and other electronic media. Often the "selfie" appears to say, "Look at me!" followed by "look at where I am and who I am with!"

It's interesting that the man who in all of History has had the most significant impact of all on how people think and act, a man who could have justifiably said, "I am the greatest! You need to take a selfie with me!" Instead, this man Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." (You can read his words yourself in the Bible in Mark 12:30,31)

His focus was on recognising and putting His Father God in the limelight, followed by encouraging us to also focus on God the Father and not on "self" but on those who we know need our help and support." Where we place, our focus shines a light on many aspects of life. Is my life about me?

When we allow our focus to be "in focus" with God's will, then we can say, just as Jesus did, "God's Spirit is on me; he's chosen me to preach the Message of good news to the poor, Sent me to announce pardon to prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, To set the burdened and battered free and to announce, This is God's time to shine!"

We need to all accept that the "Focus" of God's love, shining through the selfless acts of Jesus, is on all who want to live in that love, that "focus".

Talk to Him about refocusing your life with His helping care and love.

God bless,

Kevin



19 September 2021

SEVENTEENTH
SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

Following Jesus involves
serving others

verse for the week
"Whoever wants
to be first must
be last of all and
servant of all."

MARK 9:35

Caring Conversations

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

1

Talk about a time when you wanted to be first in something.

2

What does it mean to you when Jesus said that following him involves putting the needs of others ahead of our own wants?

3

In what ways do you serve others in Jesus' name? How has serving others made a difference in your life?

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Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 9:30-37	The servant of all is greatest
M	Jeremiah 11:18-20	Plot to kill Jeremiah
T	James 3:13-4:8a	Wisdom from above
W	2 Kings 5:1-14	A girl saves her master
T	Luke 14:7-14	Humility and hospitality
F	Isaiah 42:1-9	A servant song
S	Psalm 54	A cry to God for help
S	Mark 9:38-50	Avoiding sin

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, please teach us to put others before ourselves and to know the joy of serving you. Amen

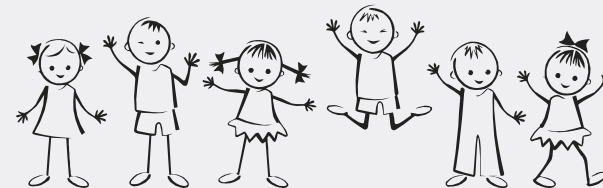
BLESSING

May the Lord give you a pure heart; may God make you peaceful, gentle, and willing to care for others with mercy.

Creative Response

Jesus said 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me' (Mark 9:36).

In your home this week, make a special point of praying by name for children in your church, school and neighbourhood. Ask for God's help to welcome them with the heart and spirit of Jesus.



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You nourish us with food, O God, for body and for soul. May love and kindness be our thanks and service be our goal. Amen.

Service



Jesus said to his disciples 'Whoever wants to be first must take last place and be the servant of everyone else'.

Make a list of ways you can be servants to one another in your home this week or as a family how you can serve together another family who could use your help.