

Pastor David Kuss
0474 229 959
david.kuss@lca.org.au

Holy Cross Office
Closed Monday
Tues/Wed 9.30am -1.30pm
Thurs/Fri 9am – 2pm
Ph 8532 4577

Pastor Paul Calnan
0417 466 611
paul.calnan@lca.org.au

Christ Church Office
Mon - Fri 9 am -12noon
Ph 8532 6553
www.cclutheranmb.org.au

Email Addresses:

holycross.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au
christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au

*After hours please contact MVLC Council Chairperson:
Joanne Pfeiffer 0417 802 052 or
Pastoral Assistant Janelle Traeger: 8535 4290*

SERVICES

Yvonne is on leave 1st July ~ 26th July

Sunday 30th June ~ 6th Sunday after Pentecost

9.30am Welcome Sunday Service (DJK) with HC & Installation of Church Council & Pastoral Assistants @ The Steeple; Unity College. **NO other services.**

Bring and share finger food for Brunch following service

Sunday 7th July ~ 7th Sunday after Pentecost

9am Monarto HC (PC) - morning tea after service

9am Christ Church LR - morning tea @ 10am

10.30am Christ Church LR (Hall)

10.30am Holy Cross HC (PC) - Memorial for Judy Brereton ~ Light lunch after service. Bring & share finger food.

Sunday 14th July ~ 8th Sunday after Pentecost

9am Holy Cross HC (PC) - morning tea after service

10.30am Christ Church HC (PC) (Hall) - morning tea at 10am

10.30am Monarto LR

2pm Baptism of Harvey Oliver Wilson @ Holy Cross

Myanmar Mission Month ~ July 2024

There will be Retiring Offerings at each site throughout July in support of the Myanmar Lutheran Church



Murray Valley Lutheran Community

Friday 28th June 2024

Christ Church

31 Swanport Rd
Murray Bridge

Holy Cross

31 Florence St
Murray Bridge

Zion Monarto

427 Schenscher Rd
Monarto

Welcome to all worshipping with us today

Welcome to our Church family – Not!

A family has unwritten, unspoken, rules. Family members are related. A family has in jokes, dad jokes. Families' have the right name, and the best Lutheran families have a printed "family book". A member of the family has rights and privileges, an inheritance. Families have a common story.

Being the member of a family is great if your born into it. Does an outsider have a place in the family? Is it wise to call our congregation the "Church Family"? What message are we saying to outsiders by calling ourselves "members" and "family". Have you been to someone else's family function – it's one way to experience what a "fish out of water" really means.

Today we welcome people into our "community of strangers" who have only baptism into Jesus' death and resurrection in common. We are going to resist the word family, ie church family. A healthy congregation is a company of strangers who depend on God's hospitality, who all hold out their unconnected hands for a Holy Communion.

Could it be that a warm family mentality is uninviting and unhelpful for our church growth? DJK

PRAYER: Thank you Lord that we are able to welcome the new members of the Murray Valley Lutheran Community today and thank you for growing the MVLC in Murray Bridge. May we offer support to all members in times of trouble and rejoice with them always. Lord help us to welcome everyone as if we were welcoming you, delighting in their presence and sharing the good news of Christ with them. Amen

All Welcome – come along to events organised by the MVLC and form a close relationship with fellow members.

Cut off for notices sent to either Office is Wednesday 10am for the Newsletter and midday on Thursdays for the Bulletin.

Readings

Galatians 3:23-29 John 13:12-17,34

Name Badges: There are lots of new faces and some not so new at services. If you have a name badge (of any kind) could you please wear them so we can get to know you. If you wish to order a Murray Valley Lutheran Community name badge please let either office know. Magnetic badges \$13.50. Pin Badges \$11.

Thankyou to the ladies who made biscuits this week for our 'New Member Packs'. We had a lovely response and your baking was appreciated, thankyou!

'The Blessing' Wine Available: after service at Unity College and from the offices ~ Lake Breeze Shiraz, Adelaide Hills White Bubbly, Special Blended Tawny Port. \$15 per bottle or \$85 half dozen (can be a mixed half dozen) cash or bank transfer.

Guest Speaker at Women's Guild meeting on July 10th
at Concordia Hall @ 1.15pm

Heather Rosenzweig will be speaking on 'Life in the Army'.
Everyone welcome.

APPEALS

Retiring offerings for Myanmar Mission: throughout the month of July there will be retiring offerings at each worship site and service to support the work of Myanmar Mission.

ALC Annual Appeal ~ helping support people for service in the church ~ more information is available from the offices.

Lutheran Care Winter Appeal ~ information is available from the offices

REG:

Murray Valley Lutheran Community
BSB 704942
ACC# 101026587

MUSIC MINISTRY

MVLC Mission & Outreach
BSB 704942
ACC#101028369
Reference: Music Ministry

If you would like to be included in our Prayers or have your Birthday, Anniversary, Bereavement or any other special occasion announced in the monthly Newsletter, please email or call either church office.

Diary Dates:

Sat 29 8am Prayer Time at The Lookout
Sun 30 9.30am Welcome Sunday service @ The Steeple Unity College followed by bring and share brunch
2-4pm Youth @ The Cave

July

Mon 1st 2.30pm Lorna Peltz's funeral @ Holy Cross
Tue 2nd 10am Holy Cross and Monarto Care Group meet at HC
Thurs 4th 10.30am Lerwin Ecumenical Service with HC
1.30pm Concordia Kindy Graduation @ Holy Cross
Fri 5th Time Out at 10 ~ Ed Centre
10.45am Prayer Time @ Christ Church
1.30pm Concordia Kindy Graduation @ Holy Cross
6pm Youth at The Cave JD Hall
Sat 6th 8am Men's Bible Study @ Holy Cross SS rooms
6.30pm SMG Quiz Night at JD Hall
Tues 9th 2pm Romani Ecumenical Service
Wed 10th 1.15pm Women's Guild @ Concordia Hall
Thurs 11th 1.30pm Romani HC Service

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations

| | | | |
|-----|-------------------|-----|-----------------|
| 1st | Andy Gierus | 4th | Aaron Hancock |
| | Merrilyn Smith | | Trevor Mann |
| | Isla White | | Andy Nicholls |
| 3rd | Lynette Hameister | | Scott Rowland |
| | | 6th | William Walding |

Pray for:

- ✠ Pray for Stan Peltz, family and friends as they mourn of loss of Lorna, her funeral is at Holy Cross on Monday 1st July @ 2.30pm. Private burial beforehand.
- ✠ Pray for Pat Arthur, Pastor Andy Gierus, Joyce & James Stiller, Faye Stephens and those who are unwell, in hospital or struggling with health issues. Be will all doctors, specialists, nurses and those caring for the sick, aged and infirm.
- ✠ Pray for Asia Focus as they mourn the loss of their founder and Patron Pastor August Fricke on 19th June.