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SERVICES

Sunday 18th August ~ 13th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9am Monarto HC (DJK) ~ morning tea after service
- 9am Christ Church HC (Church) (PC) ~ morning tea & trading table @ 10am
- 10.30am Christ Church LR (Hall)
- 10.30am Holy Cross HC (DJK)

Sunday 25th August ~ 14th Sunday after Pentecost. Bishop Andrew Brooks is preaching at Holy Cross & Monarto

- 9am Holy Cross HC (PC) ~ morning tea & trading table after Service
- 10.30am Christ Church (Hall) Family Service ~ morning tea @ 10am 10.30am Monarto HC (PC)
- 12pm Bring & share lunch @ JD Hall before
- 2pm Way Forward Seminar @ Unity College ~ presented by Bishop Andrew Brooks and Angela Rogers

Sunday 1st September ~ 15th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9am Monarto HC (PC) morning tea after service
- 9am Christ Church HC (DJK) (Church) ~ morning tea @ 10am
- 10.30am Christ Church HC (DJK) (Hall)
- 10.30am Holy Cross HC (PC)



Murray Valley Lutheran Community

Friday 16th August 2024

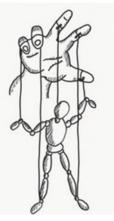
Monarto

Christ Church 31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge Holy Cross 31 Florence St Murray Bridge

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Welcome to all worshipping with us today

Are you Just a puppet on a string?



Today we touch on that tricky subject of Divine Election, aka Predestination. These few words may help us. Whether belief secures election (Human action), or election causes belief (Divine action) is the debate for most.

What all church doctrines avoid is Double Predestination, ie. that if God alone is responsible for salvation, election, therefore he must be responsible for the damnation of those he does not elect.

Lutherans hold that (1) God desires everyone to be saved, (2) we cannot save ourselves, nor can we decide "for" Christ or

contribute in any amount, (3) when God chooses to save us, it is a certainty (we are elected), (4) but that doesn't mean we will not reject salvation. If we are saved, God is fully credited but if we are condemned, we are fully blamed.

John 6:44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day."

Father, we thank you that your draw all people to Jesus so that we can receive the gift of eternal life. Amen. DJK

All Welcome – come along to events organised by the MVLC and form a close relationship with fellow members.
Cut off time for notices sent to either Office is Wednesday 10am for the Newsletter and midday on Thursdays for the Bulletin.

<u>Readings</u>

Monarto & Holy Cross: Proverb 9:9,10; 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58 Christ Church: Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6: 51-58

<u>Sunday 25th August: Bishop Andrew Brooks</u> will be preaching at the Holy Cross and Monarto services, he and Angela Rogers will join us for a bring and share lunch at 12noon at JD Hall before we go to Unity College for the "Way Forward" seminar. Please bring a plate of savoury and/or sweets to share.

Thank You: Alan Packer and family sincerely thank everyone for their condolences and prayers on the recent passing of Rhonda, they have been greatly appreciated.

Thank You: A huge thank You to the many folk who have prayed for, thought of, and supported me in my health journey these last few months. It was so helpful and comforting. I am really humble and grateful to you, and to God, who was always in my boat with me. Coralie Mattner.

MEN WANTED! : Some volunteers to set up table and chairs for the Lutheran Women of Australia Convention – Tuesday Morning Oct 1st @ Unity College for 1 – 2 hours. **A LEADER:** to lead the husbands of LWA on an outing – to Tailem Town and lunch – Just lead the group – bus, venue, lunch all done. All MVLC men are welcome to join this.

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:

Fri 16th	ri 16th 6pm ~ Youth @ the Cave JD Hall	
	6.30pm ~ Men's Shed Night 'Thiele Vale' Callington	
Sat 17th	6.30pm ~ Chaplaincy Dinner at Church of Christ	
Mon 19th ~ 22nd Life Blood at JDHall		
Wed 21st	7pm MVLC Church Council meeting	
Thurs 22nd	1.30pm Monthly Communion Service ~ Concordia Hall	
Sat 24th	BluePrint Ministries Dinner @ Mawson Lakes	
Sun 25th	12 noon ~ BYO Share Lunch @ JD Hall	
	2pm ~ "Way Forward" Seminar @ Unity College	
	4pm ~ Youth at the 'Cave'	
Sat 31st	8am ~ Prayer @ the Frank Jackman Memorial Lookout	
	9am ~ 5.30pm Creative Word Fellowship Seminar	
	See offices for details \$30 registration. All welcome	
September		
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Tues 3rd10am ~ Holy Cross & Monarto Care Group meetThurs 5th10.30am ~ Lerwin Ecumenical @ HC Service

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations

19th Lance Andriske 21st Elsie Andriske Jamie Andriske Heidi Jaensch	21st Darryl Klose22nd Coralie Mattner24th Mavis GoedeckeNeville Pietsch
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Pray for:

- V Pray for all in hospital especially Joan Bahr in Murray Bridge hospital, those waiting on specialist/doctor's diagnosis and treatment options, for those undertaking treatment, those recovering at home, for all doctors, specialist's, nurses and carer's.
- V Prayer for Eileen Steinert as she settles into Lerwin
- V Pray for our Bishops and Pastors as they prepare for Pastors Conference and Synod. Be with our Synod Rep Tanya Hanckel, guide her in all decision she makes.
- V Pray for rain and sunshine, a good growing season, plenty of feed for stock, a good harvest, and for all those working and living on the land.