

## **CHRIST CHURCH CONGREGATION UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2011**

*If you are aware of an event missing on this list, please let the Office know*

### **MARCH**

14th—Adelaide Cup Public Holiday  
16th Lent Service 7pm at Christ Church  
16th, 17th, 18th—**Thrift Shop—JDHall**  
20th - **AGM in Church Building at 1:30pm**  
23rd—Lenten Service 7pm at Holy Cross  
26th - SA District Chairperson's & Treasurer's Day  
30th- Lenten Service 7pm at Christ Church

### **APRIL**

1st—Fellowship Tea with Bridge Kidz—Unity College  
6th—Lenten Service 7pm at Holy Cross  
13th—Lenten Service 7pm at Christ Church  
17th—**PALM SUNDAY & CONFIRMATION**  
21st—**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
22nd - **GOOD FRIDAY**  
24th—**EASTER SUNDAY**  
26th—Anzac Day Public Holiday

### **MAY**

28 & 29th - LCA SA District Conference—Unity College

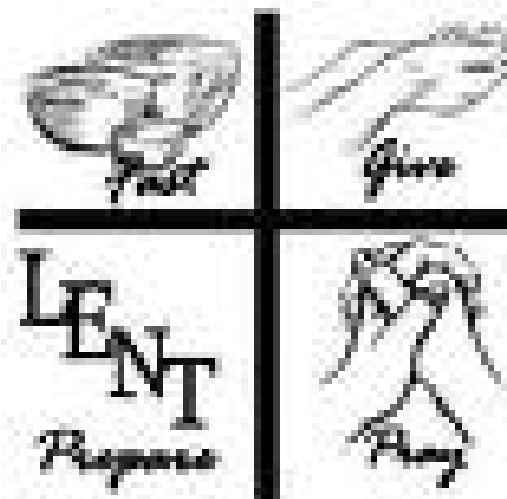


*Christ Church Lutheran*  
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

*Zion Lutheran*  
Monarto



First Sunday in Lent  
13th March 2011



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

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## WELCOME

*“Communion Invitation” - Dear Friends in Christ, if you are a visitor who is a baptised believer and not a member of the Lutheran Church but believe that you will be receiving the body and blood of our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, then an open invitation is extended to you.*

Non-communing adults & children are encouraged to come for a blessing and are asked to keep their hands by their sides.

*Please join us for a cuppa and a biscuit between services.*

**Visitors Cards** You will find these cards on the ends of the pews.

We would like you to fill in the details and place in the offering bag or give to an usher or the pastor as you leave the church.

### A Season of Prayer.

This Lenten season you're again invited to join in a fast (This year we have a choice; 1: not eating between breakfast and tea, or 2: not watching the news, or both!). **The theme over lent is: Who is this man; Jesus?** I want to spend time with Jesus getting to know him better. I'd encourage you to follow the 'Living It' readings, asking yourself these four questions:

- 1: *What does this say to you about people?*
- 2: *What does this say to you about Jesus?*
- 3: *What does this say about you?*
- 4: *Who needs to hear this story?*

Why not use your lunch time, or news time to read, pray and be open to Jesus, so that your relationship with him is focused on.

And don't forget to share what Jesus says to you with one another. Jesus loves sharing life with one another. It's his passion. It's what he blesses. Please don't forget to share what you believe Jesus is revealing to you. Share the blessing.

For those who want to you can join me at the Ed Centre from 12.30-1.30pm. Better still get together with two friends and share around your kitchen table.

## MONARTO

**On the 4th Sunday of each month the congregation meets for discussion in the Hall at 9am.** For Sunday 27th March please read John 4:5-42. Jot down your first impressions during the week and be prepared to discuss the following questions as well.

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- 2: *What does this say to you about Jesus?*
- 3: *What does this say about you?*
- 4: *Who needs to hear this story?*

## MONARTO

March 20th

**Wardens**

Barolo Family

**Reader**

Barolo Family

**Cuppa**

**Rosters**

## CHRIST CHURCH

**MARCH 16th—Lenten Service at 7pm**

**Wardens**

Allan & Dawn Hampel

**Music**

Joyce Stiller

**Reader**

Rodney Zanker

**Greeters**

Ramona Slow, Flo Kerkham

**PA**

Andrew Grocke

**MARCH 20th**

**Sunday**

**9am**

**10:45am**

**Elders**

Warren Doecke

Janet Vogt

**Wardens**

Brenton & Lorraine Doecke

Graeme & Jeanette

Ian Pumpa

Mann & Family

**Music**

Alison Grieger

**Reader**

Merle Herrmann

Sue Kuchel

**Greeters**

Bruce & Maureen Kuchel

Audrey Jaensch & Yvette Koch

**Flowers**

Emily Lewis

**Tea, Coffee**

Ross & Merle Herrmann

**General Prayer**

Gerry Korzeba

**Data Projector**

Daphne Young

Schiller Family

**PA**

David Pech

Nathaneal Mann

**Ed Cen Clean**

Betty Zadow

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Children's Address**

Jeanette Mann

**Activity Leader**

Jeanette Mann

**Helpers**

Belinda, Sophie & Danielle Stiller

## SCHOOLS MINISTRY NEWS

We have received the following updates from the Schools Ministry Group in Adelaide with regard to the continuation of Federal Funding for the Chaplaincy Program (Christian Pastoral Support Workers) in Schools.

The Federal Government has made a commitment at this stage to continue funding for another three years and to make some extra funding available so that schools who currently do not have a CPSW will be able to apply for funding.

**For Further highlights please see the Notice Board in the JDHall**

## ~Prayer Corner~

For use by friendship groups, study groups, other groups, & individuals.  
*"Always be joyful and never stop praying. Whatever happens, keep thanking God because of Jesus Christ. This is what God wants you to do — 1 Thess. 5:16-18"*

- During this Lenten season pray for people to focus on their growing relationship with Jesus—reflecting on how they can reach others with the message of salvation.
- With the AGM next week pray for the direction of our congregation—that the will of Jesus is done—not our own.
- ♥ Thank God for the additional opportunities to grow in faith during Lent.
- ♥ Pray for those of our congregation who need special care & help at this time; the sick; the grieving; the lonely. Ask God to surround them with His loving, comforting arms and to give them help, healing and encouragement. We think particularly of Raelene Barolo, Maurice & Evelyn Wegener and Robert Eckermann (QEH)

### Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

14/02 Ramona Slow, Sarah Cocks  
 15/02 Adrian Miegel, Edgar Gerhardy, Troy Hampel,  
 Cameron Eckermann, Danielle & Darrin Lovegrove  
 16/02 Vern Graetz, Susan Linke  
 17/02 Trevor Hilton, Chris Thomson, Jason Thiele  
 18/02 Paul Zadow, Bruce Pfeiffer  
 20/02 Malcolm Thiel, Christie Schopp, Nicole Zerna



### SERVICE GUILD—What is it? What do they do?

**We meet four times a year, the first Wednesday morning of February, March, August & November.**

*We set up the Harvest Thanksgiving display  
 Organise the Easter Breakfast  
 Light luncheons and afternoon teas for funerals  
 Provide the palms for Palm Sunday  
 Prepare the Advent Wreath & Christmas Tree with decorations  
 See to Altar Linens, Church Paramounts & Silverware  
 Flowers for Worship Services and Funerals  
 Do a JDHall kitchen stock-take  
 Care for the interior of the JDHall and maintain soft furnishings*

We are looking for more people to help us continue doing this work and to be on our committee.

**Contact Joyce Stiller (President) ph 8532 1116 if you can help.**

### **CONGRATULATIONS & GOD'S BLESSINGS**

to **Rowan Pfeiffer & Kate Fielden** who were married yesterday at Christ Church. We wish you many happy years together.

AND to **Amanda Rowland & Simon Franke** who will be married this Saturday 19th March at Christ Church. We also wish you many happy years together.

### **SUNDAY APRIL 3rd**

The Gideon's will be speaking at ALL services on this day. There will be an opportunity to support this ministry through a Retiring Offering.

### **LADIES FELLOWSHIP**

Thur. March 17th at 7:30pm in Ed Cen Guest Speaker: Karen Ahrens  
Dev & Supper: Heather Courtney  
 Everybody welcome

### **THRIFT SHOP JDHALL**

Set up Tues. 15th March  
 Helpers please.

Wed 16th 9am-4pm  
 Thurs 17th 9am-4pm  
 Fri 18th 9am—3pm sharp.



To all who supported the Trading Table last Sunday either by providing produce & other goodies, or by buying the goodies. We raised \$190 65.

ALSO a big thank you to Neville and Marie Mueller for generously presenting their beautiful garden and the use of the back verandah for the Christ Church Connections get together last Tuesday. Even though it was showering, this did not deter 30 people from having great fellowship.

AND to Adele Doecke & Shane Thompson from the Confirmation group for cooking the pancakes on Ash Wed. And also thanks to their mums who I'm sure helped as well.

### **NEEDED**

The congregation is looking for another pianist/keyboardsist to play once a month at the 10:45 service. Please prayerfully consider if you are called to this ministry. Contact Jan at the church office.

### **FOR SALE**

Table Tops & 3 sets of legs (Trestles) 3.6 mts long Cost \$40 a set. Available at the end of March Contact Ken Zadow ph 8532 2048

# This Week

<b>Mon</b>	<b>14th Mar</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY—OFFICE CLOSED</b>	
		9:30am	<b>NO</b> Cards, Coffee & Chat—Ed Cen
		<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Admin Team (10:45am) - Ed Cen</b>
		<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Elders—meet Ed Cen</b>
		<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Property Comm—meet Ed Cen</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>15th Mar</b>	2pm	Set Up for Thrift Shop—JDHall
<b>Wed</b>	<b>16th Mar</b>	9am	<i>Thrift Shop—JDHall</i>
		<b>10am</b>	<b>Lenten Service—Mannum Luth Church</b>
		<b>7pm</b>	<b>Lenten Service—Christ Church</b>
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>17th Mar</b>	9am	<i>Thrift Shop—JDHall</i>
		9.30 am	Bible Study Group—Ed Cen
		<b>10am</b>	<b>Bulletin notice deadline</b>
		11:30am	Staff Devotion
		<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Ladies F/Ship—meet at the Ed Cen</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>18th Mar</b>	9am	<i>Thrift Shop—JDHall</i>
		9:30am	Worship Team (9am) - Ed Cen
<b>Sat</b>	<b>19th Mar</b>	2:30pm	<i>Wedding—Amanda Rowland &amp; Simon Franke</i>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>20th Mar</b>	<b>MONARTO</b>	10:30am Communion In Lent
		<b>CHRIST CHURCH</b>	9am Communion in Lent
		<b>CHRIST CHURCH</b>	10:45 am Worship
			<b>1:30pm AGM - Church Building</b>

## Can You Assist?

Simon Benstead (CPSW at the High School) has organised for a group - one50Dance - to present a Christian Options seminar to local schools in the last week of Term 1. It is also hoped that they will be able to do a community presentation on the Friday night (more details on this later). The group consists of 40 young women who will be needing accommodation on the nights of April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> and an evening meal on one of the nights. If you can assist with billeting two or three women please contact Simon on 8531 3431 (evenings).

# An Invitation



Is extended to the congregation to support Bridge Kidz by sharing a meal and fellowship with the children and their families at 5:30pm on Friday April 1st at the Junior School Campus of Unity College.

**For Catering purposes please indicate attendance** (you will be given the opportunity for a show of hands at the Sunday service when this invitation is spoken about.)

This is an outreach opportunity for the congregation to support Bridge Kidz.

## LENTEN SERVICES

*The theme for the Lenten season is Characters of the Passion.*

*Peter & the Disciples, Mother Mary 7 the women, Judas & the conspirators, Pilate, Herod & the soldiers and Caiphus and the crowd.*

This year these services will be happening at Christ Church and at Mannum Lutheran Church. The two pastors from Mannum Pastor Mike Steicke and Pastor Alwin Schirmer will be assisting Pastor Tim, Pastor John Thiel and Pastor Andy Gierus.

**PLEASE NOTE** The Mannum services are at 10am and the Murray Bridge ones at 7pm each Wednesday. The pastor who is scheduled will lead the service at both Mannum and Murray Bridge on the day.

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**EASTER SUNDAY**

|| **Christ Church** ||

The congregation is encouraged to join with  
	the other churches in Murray Bridge for the	
	Dawn Service at Sturt Reserve at 7am. We	
	would then meet back at the JDHall for	
	Easter breakfast at 8am followed by our	
	**combined service at 9:30am**	

|| **Monarto** ||

|| The Easter service is at 7am followed by ||  
|| morning tea with hot cross buns. ||

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## **MONARTO** **Easter week**

The congregation meets on Wednesday 20th April for a Passover Meal at 6pm.

No Service on Maundy Thurs

9am service on Good Friday



### Sharing

Share your highs and lows for the week.  
What are some common temptations? What makes something into a temptation?

### Reading:

Matthew 4:1-11

Read through using three symbols:

? = question.

☼ = sun for when the light comes on.

→ = arrow where Jesus is hitting the mark in your heart calling you to action.

### Talking it Over

What is common between Adam & Eve's temptation and Jesus temptation?

What is the heart of the first temptation?

Where are you tempted similarly?

What did Jesus use to not get sucked in by this temptation?

What is the heart of the second tempt.?

Where are you tempted similarly?

What's significant about the Devil using a bible quote?

What is the heart of the third tempt.?

Where are you tempted similarly?

What's the subtle trap in every dare?

Jesus was tempted in the wilderness. Have you ever had a time where you felt like you were in the wilderness?

Why did the Holy Spirit lead Jesus out into the wilderness?

Where do you feel tempted most?

### Praying

Share with Jesus those areas of life where you are being tempted. Tempted to simply act on a felt need. Tempted to doubt him. Tempted to find security, life in other than Jesus.

Pray for each other; for the wisdom to see through the Devil's traps, for the love to support each other.

Enjoy being in Jesus' company.

### Verse for the Week

"Jesus said to him, 'Away from me, Satan! For it is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only".'" Matt 4:10

### Character Conversation Questions

How have you been a witness to Jesus and not simply a reflection of your felt needs?

Have you been tempted sexually?

Have you been tempted financially?

Have you been tempted to treat people poorly to get what you want, or because you've been feeling grumpy?

Have you been tempted to neglect people in favour of things?

What addictive temptation do you face?

Did you finish your reading and hear from God? What are you going to do?

Have you been honest with yourself?

### Readings

#### Sunday 13 March

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

**Monday** Matt. 1-5

**Tuesday** Matt. 6-10

**Wednesday** Matt. 11-15

**Thursday** Matt. 16-20

**Friday** Matt. 21-25

**Saturday** Matt. 26-28

#### Sunday 20 March

Genesis 12:1-4a

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

