

CHRIST CHURCH CONGREGATION UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2011

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

MARCH

30th- Lenten Service 7pm at Christ Church

APRIL

1st—Fellowship Tea with Bridge Kidz—Unity College

3rd—Trading Table & Sausage Sizzle

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

1st—Trading Table & Sausage Sizzle

28 & 29th - **LCA SA Dist Conference—Unity College**

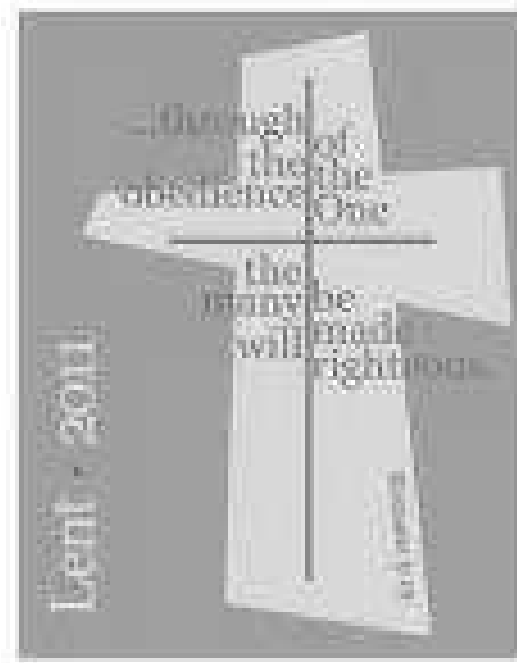
31st—3rd—Thrift Shop



Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge



Zion Lutheran
Monarto



Third
Sunday in
Lent
27th March 2011

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

OFFICE HOURS

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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.

LENTEN SERVICES

30th March *“Judas and the Conspirators”*
Christ Church Lutheran with Pastor Tim Koch

6th April *“Pilate, Herod and the Soldiers”*
Holy Cross Lutheran Church with Pastor John Thiel

13th April *“Caiphus and the Crowd”*
Christ Church Lutheran with Pastor Andy Gierus

EASTER SUNDAY

Christ Church

Services as other years

6:30am - Traditional

7:30am—JDHall for Easter breakfast

followed by 9am service—

Contemporary.

Monarto

The Easter service is at 7am followed

by morning tea with hot cross buns.

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

MONARTO

April 3rd

Wardens

Reader

Cuppa

Nathan & Jodie Wegener

Joy Paech

Rosters

CHRIST CHURCH

Lenten Service Wed March 30th

Wardens

Music

Reader

Greeters

PA

Jim & Heather Courtney

Alison Grieger

Heather Courtney

Jan Brodde

Andrew Grocke

April 3rd

Sunday

Elders

Wardens

9am

Dawn Hampel

J & G Pohl

A & D Hampel

Music

Reader

Greeters

Flowers

Tea, Coffee

General Prayer

Data Projector

PA

Ed Cen Clean

Joyce Stiller

Merle Herrmann

Ross & Merle Herrmann

Audrey Leske

Alex & Margaret Warnest, Margaret Jenke

Kate Frahn

David Pech

Annette Korzeba

10:45am

Dennis Pfeiffer

P & V Jaensch

Josh Rance

Dennis Pfeiffer

Delton & Lynette Schiller

Dennis Pfeiffer

Brenton Mann Family

Marcus Jaensch

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Address

Activity Leader

Helpers

Tamra Lees

Tamra Lees

Deb Colley, Simone Lees

STAMPS FOR MISSION

Thank you to the congregation for the stamps received recently. They are much appreciated. Funds raised in 2010 were just over \$10,500. This brings the total since 1938 when the programme began. To more than \$331,000. Praise the Lord! Thanks to all who have contributed over the many years. The projects for 2011 utilize \$10,000 in five different mission areas in South east Asia, PNG, and for scholarship recipients studying at Australian Lutheran College. Thanks again for your efforts.

Peter Nitschke.

~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"

- Thank God for the additional opportunities to grow in faith during Lent.
- Pray for those who have taken up positions following the AGM last Sunday—ask God to give them wisdom and discernment as they carry out their work.
- ♥ Thank & praise God for His blessings and His constant love and forgiveness.
- Thank God for the people he has placed in your life who have helped you to grow in your relationship with Jesus.
- ♥ 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

28/03 Brian Gogel
 29/03 Jack Jericho, Liam Wegener
 30/03 Keith Faerhmann, Roy Traeger, Kaitlyn Jaensch
 31/03 Damien Brown, Clem Wachtel, Laurie Walding
 1/04 Val Stevens, Jan Brodde
 2/04 Zoe Koch, Debra Colley, Monique Colley, Rob Grieger



The LCA is looking for a Professional Standards Director

The Lutheran Church is presented to the Australian community in many different ways. Some see us as schools, others as aged care services and still others see us in our many congregational activities. The community trusts us to care for their loved ones. Our Lord instructed us to take care of them. That's what we do, we interact with people of all ages and ilks. We need to make sure that when people are in our care, they are not hurt and if they are we need to make sure they are properly cared for spiritually, emotionally and physically. General Church Council (GCC), after carefully considering the situation, have decided the best way for us to do this is to implement a Professional Standards Unit. So that we can organize this properly and efficiently, a Professional Standards Director is to be appointed. We are looking for a person who has significant experience as a senior manager in Professional Standards of a diverse organization. The Director will be required to implement the draft policies and recommendations that have been approved by GCC. For a copy of the Job Description and Selection Criteria please contact Trevor Ruthenberg on (08) 8267 7300. Please send all applications to trevor.ruthenberg@lca.org.au no later than Monday 4th of April.

Congratulations & God's Blessings

To Ray & Melva Jackson who are celebrated their 60 wedding anniversary yesterday 26th March. We hope it was a great day for you.
AND To Les & Joyce Ahrns who also celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary tomorrow 28th March. They were married at Lameroo and will celebrate with a happy close family get together at Encounter Bay over this weekend.
ALSO belated congratulations and God's blessings to Gordon Kuchel who celebrated his 70th birthday on Saturday 19th March. We hope you had a great day as well.

VISION & STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd April at Lutheran Laymen's League.
 Cost \$100 includes lunch.
Speakers: Shannon Hood VET Director ALC
Peter Graves—Director Strategon Consulting Services
See JDHall Notice Board.



Basil Schubert would like thank members for their best wishes, cards, phone calls and visits for his recent special 80th birthday.

SUNDAY APRIL 3rd RETIRING OFFERING

for the Gideon's will be speaking at ALL services on this day. .



IS ANYONE GOING TO ADELAIDE?

There is 127 Birthing Kits (12) boxes to be delivered to World Mission Office, Nth Adelaide. Contact Joan Kluge ph 8531 0568. A Big Thank you to Joan and her helpers who organised the kits,

RAG CUTTING MORNING

WEDNESDAY 30TH March at 9:30am in JDHall. Come and join us for some fun/fellowship and a bit of hard work. Please BYO scissors and a Small Plate of morning tea.

NEXT SUNDAY 3RD APRIL SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND TRADING TABLE

A great opportunity for fellowship, good food and great bargains.

Bring your fresh veggies, fruit, eggs, jam, pickles, plants, cakes & yummy food

Come & Support the Trading Table again in 2011 and join us for a lunch and fellowship.



This Week

Mon	28th Mar	9:30am 7:30pm	Cards, Coffee & Chat—Ed Cen Leadership Team—Ed Cen
Tue	29th Mar		
Wed	30th Mar	9:30am 7pm 7pm 8pm	Rag Cutting Day —JDHall Lenten Service—Christ Church Confirmation Choir Practice
Thurs	31st Mar	9.30 am 10am 11:30am	Bible Study Group—Ed Cen Bulletin notice deadline Staff Devotion
Fri	1st Apr	5:30pm	Community Tea with Bridge Kidz at Unity College Junior Campus
Sat	2nd Apr		
Sun	3rd Apr	MONARTO CHRIST CHURCH	10:30am Communion In Lent 9am Communion in Lent 9:30am <i>Singles - Ed Cen</i> 10am Trading Table—JDHall CHRIST CHURCH 10:45 am Worship 12noon Sausage Sizzle—JDHall

SINGLES/SINGLE AGAIN

Sunday April 3rd—meet at Christ Church
Ed Cen at 9:30am.

We will be attending the Meningie
Lutheran Church for service at 11am.

Lunch at Meningie Hotel
followed by sightseeing.

Contact Judy Chandler
ph 8532 1764 for bookings.

PERSON WANTED TO SHARE HOUSE

\$100 pw—buy own food & share cost of utilities.
The house is near IGA . Ph Polly 0432 662 150

POSITIONS AVAILABLE AT WARRAMBU

Retreat and Conference
Centre:

**Office and Operations
Manager**

Cook/Catering Assistant

**Grounds and Maintenance
Manager**

for further details go to:
<http://www.lca.org.au/action/layworkers/> and
click on Job Vacancies

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.

Christ Church Connections

Invites you have Lunch at Victoria Hotel, Strathalbyn at your cost (\$7.50 - \$10.00), view a 119 year old wine press at Langhorne Creek and on the way home to sample some horseradish and other delights

WHEN: Tuesday 12th April

meet at the Church Office
at 11.20 am

Please advise Val or John Spencer if you wish to attend
by *Sunday 10th April*
so catering numbers can be confirmed ph 8531 3237

FRIENDS OF LUTHERAN ARCHIVES.

Topic: The Latvian Church in
South Australia.

Speaker: Valdis Andersons.

At Bethlehem House,
Sudholz Place, Adelaide,
on Monday 11 April at 7.30 pm.

Supper. Gold coin donation.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Adrian Miegel on his Silver
Medal win at the 2011 National Aus-
tralian Rowing Championships, in the
Men's U/23 Lightweight Double
Scul on Saturday 19th March in
Adelaide.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Ladies Fellowship plan to hold this festival late November. We would like to reach out to the community of Murray Bridge with a Christian message.



We are looking for your participation and support of a tree/s and we also hope to have gifts/decorations available for sale.

Can you assist in making these gifts or by supplying the materials or by providing finance towards purchase of glue, beads etc.

Please contact Heather Courtney, Jan Brodde or Coralie Mattner if you can help.

SA/NT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The LCA SA/NT District is pleased to invite you to attend the district conference to be held at Unity Lutheran College, Owl Crescent, Murray Bridge on 28 – 29 May 2011. Registration begins at 8am, with the program commencing 9am sharp on the Saturday. It will conclude with afternoon tea at 3.30pm on the Sunday. While this conference takes the place of Synod this year and we are encouraging all congregations to be represented, attendance is open to all and not restricted to the number of synod delegates you usually have.

The major speakers include:

Pastor David Altus—President of the SA/NT District

Dr Steve Taylor—Mission Shaped Ministry

Pastor Rich Melheim—founder of Faith Inkubators—Reenginerring the Institutionalised church for the Postmodern World

Further information including registration forms etc will be forthcoming.

A G M REPORT 2011

Our AGM was held on Sunday 20th March, whilst we did have a quorum it was extremely disappointing that less than 40 people took the time and showed the interest to come along and have their say in the decision making for our congregation.

Major changes in the elections were -

Adrian Puust elected as Chairman

Val Sickerdick as Assistant Secretary

Cheryl Doecke as Treasurer all for a two year term,
with Cheryl Miegel as Assistant Treasurer for a one year term.

The positions of Discipleship team leader and hall caretaker still remain vacant and will be appointed by the Leadership Team.

The proposed budget was passed as presented and includes - replacing the storage shed in the corner of the manse block with the creation of an easement \$17000 - replacing the section of concrete between the Church and the lawn \$16000 - lease of a new photocopier \$1968 per year for 5 years. Permission was also given to employ a Kindy Liaison Person \$5000 for the first year and an administrator / coordinator for Bridge Kidz a \$1000 honorarium. This presents us with the challenge of a budget deficit of \$36000, however this deficit can be covered by accumulated surpluses from previous years if required. Money raised from catering will be placed in a separate non GST account and used for mission & outreach. This will not be part of the budget.

I ask that you continue to pray for and encourage Pastor Tim And the Leaders of our congregation that we focus on reaching out to others with the message of Gods Love and salvation.

Yours in Christ
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Sharing

Share your highs and lows for the week.
What are some of the causes of divisions between people?

Reading:

John 4:5-42

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

Why is Jesus going through Samaria? What is important about this detail?

Jews couldn't stand Samaritans, but in Samaria who are you going to meet? What is Jesus indicating here?

Jesus shouldn't have spoken to a Samaritan and certainly not a woman in public, but he does; why? What risks was he taking?

Jesus used what the woman was doing to teach her about God's kingdom. Can you think of an everyday example that could be used to teach about God's kingdom? Share your thoughts.

The woman talks about worship and the right place. What's the right place for worship? Share your thoughts.

The Samaritan woman told others, who can to see Jesus and what eventually happens? What is Jesus point?

Where do you see fields ripe for harvest?

Praying

Invite Jesus to flood you with the Holy Spirit. Invite Jesus to remove the blockages to his spring within you.

Invite Jesus to bring across your path this week people ready to be introduced to him, and to give you the right words and action. Pray for each other.

Verse for the Week

"...but those who drink the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." Jn 4:13,14

Character Conversation Questions

How have you been a role-model for Jesus?

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 made time to listen to the Holy Spirit and be lead by him?

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

What addictive behaviour 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 27 March

Exodus 17:1-7

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

Monday Lk. 1-4

Tuesday Lk. 5-8

Wednesday Lk. 9-12

Thursday Lk. 13-16

Friday Lk. 17-20

Saturday Lk. 21-24

Sunday 3 April

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

