

CHRIST CHURCH CONGREGATION UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2011

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

SEPTEMBER 30th—Church Camp at Mannum

OCTOBER 1-3rd - Church Camp at Mannum
9th—Trading Table and Sausage Sizzle
9th - Safe Place Refresher Course
15th - Men's Fellowship Breakfast - JDHall @ 8am
16th—Sturt Reserve for BBQ—outreach to community
22nd - Church Dinner
29th— Garage Sale—JDHall
30th— Reformation Service at Unity College at 10am
Followed by lunch together

NOVEMBER 4th,5th,6th—"Little Women"
17th,18th,19th— Christmas Tree Festival

DECEMBER 4th Monarto Christmas Carols



Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

Zion Lutheran
Monarto



Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
18th September 2011



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

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A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL - Toll Free Number 1800 644 628

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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

**Sunday October 16th—
Walking with God.
please note revised date**

Come with your walking shoes on. After the second service we will be walking down to Sturt Reserve. There we'll have a BBQ ready to go, but no-one invited! Like the King's Feast in our Gospel reading for that day. As the King's servants you'll be able to take vouchers for sausages and go and invite people to the King's Feast (BBQ).

Yes it costs us and is free to those who are invited, which is how our new loving nature in Jesus works.

I'm excited about not just talking the talk but learning together to walk the walk.

**Remember to be there -
16th October.**

Pastor Tim

NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY

Every 5 years we are asked to complete a survey that looks at the life of the churches throughout Australia. **Next Sunday September 25th we will be taking time to fill out the survey forms.** If you will not be present on this day we encourage you to come and collect a form from the office beforehand. *We will be given an outcome of the survey later in the year.*

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Sunday Oct 30th
Combined Service at 10am at
Unity College Steeple.

Followed by the "Longest
Lutheran Lunch"
BYO Picnic food to share and
card table and chairs or a
picnic rug to sit on. (tea &
coffee supplied)

**We will then move to the
oval for old fashioned
picnic games.**

MONARTO

Wardens

Reader

Morning Cuppa

Sunday 25th Sep 9am

Nathan & Jodie Wegener

Penne Lewis-Brown

Terry Franklin

Rosters

CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday 25th Sep

9am

10:45am

Elders

Warren Doecke

Mark Stiller

Wardens

Allan & Dawn Hampel

Peter & Valerie Jaensch

Music

Alison Grieger

Reader

Merle Herrmann

Debra Colley

Greeters

Joan Bahr, Barbara Noble

Lance & Elsie Andriske

Flowers

Joyce Ahrens

General Prayer

Peter Jaensch

Tea/Coffee

E Steinert, David & Joy Lienert

Data Projector

Bruno Lablack

Brenton Mann Family

PA

David Pech

Roger Hampel

Ed Cen Clean

John & Gloria Pohl

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Address

Pastor Tim

Activity Leader

Annette Thomson

Helpers

Brianna, Shane & Jayden Thomson

LCA SAFE PLACE REFRESHER COURSE

Sunday October 9th 2011 at 1:30pm in the JDHall,

This update is for those who previously attended the LCA Safe Place Seminars. If you have not previously attended a Safe Place Seminar there will be an opportunity at another time.

Volunteers who work with vulnerable groups **need to attend** (this is a legal obligation that we as a church have to do)—i.e. Elders, Leadership & Admin Teams, those visiting on behalf of the congregation, babysitters, youth leaders, Sunday school teachers, sports coaches etc. You also need to have a **POLICE CHECK** prior to attending if you have not had one in the last 3 years.

If you have a police check which has been done in the last three years, please take it into the office and have it sighted by Jan. If not, forms are available from the office or you can download from the LCA website..

www.police.sa.gov.au then follow the links to do a police check.

Please let Jan know at the church office that you will be attending.

~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

- ♥ *Pray for people to fill a "Shoebox of Love" for children overseas—a gift of joy with a message of love. Pray for the girl or boy who receives the shoebox that they may come to know Jesus in their lives.*
- Ask for people to be moved to help out with the Christmas Tree Festival by offering to put together a tree with a Christian message as an outreach to the Murray Bridge community.
- Pray for God's plan for marriage to be upheld by our nation. Pray for the leaders in politics who are having discussions regarding changes to marriage laws— that they will be guided by the Holy Spirit.
- 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 Julie Mueller (Wakefield St Hosp from Thurs), Vern Graetz, David Lienert, Judy Franklin, John Mattner, Audrey Leske, Betty Rowland (home), John Lohmeyer, Bryan Lees, Keith May & Edgar Gerhardy .



Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

20/09 Reagan Jaensch,
 21/09 Alan Jaensch, Amber Buick, Helen Trestrail
 23/09 Daniel Vogt, Jeanette Zanker
 24/09 Logan Frahn, Judy Kuchel, Jared Kuchel, Norma Liebelt
 25/09 Michael Jaensch

REFORMATION SUNDAY CHOIR

practice at Christ Church on
 Wed September 20th at 7pm.



Thankyou to those who either provided goods or purchased from the trading table last Sunday. Your help was very much appreciated. We realised \$235—a great effort.

WOMEN'S GUILD REMINDER

Invitation from Mannum Adult Fellowship to Annual Luncheon at 12noon on September 22nd in their church hall Greening St, Mannum. Cost \$10

WATERFORD FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Our next gathering will be on Monday, 19th September @ 7.00 pm at the home of June Walker. We will be listening and discuss a CD by Greg Laurie called 'Sign of the times' based on Mark 13. Hope to see you there!

PARISH MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday Oct 15th at 8am. \$5 pp.

Note change of time

Guest Speaker: Dr Tony Rathjen - wheat breeder at the Waite Institute for many years. Also very involved with Aboriginal Mission work in SA

For catering purposes—names to Alex Warnest ph 8532 1334 OR Alan Gogel ph 8532 2847 by **October 8th**
 Everyone Welcome.

Time out on Tuesday

Time for reflection
 Time for worship
 Time for prayer
 Time with the Lord
 Time with others
 Time to hear new songs
 Time to sing new songs
 Time to play new songs
 Time for whatever is needed
 From 6pm – 8pm each Tuesday the church building will be open.
 Come, stay for a time and be blessed.

HOPE Study Group

Tuesday 20th September at 7.00 pm
 meet at John and Val Spencer's home to continue the study "One Minute After You Die - What Changes and What Remains The Same After We Die?" You are welcome to come and discuss this issue.



CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX GIFT

(Share the love of Jesus with children all over the world)

Decorate and fill a shoebox with little gifts
 (shoebox size within 18 x30x13cms)

We have been given a number of different items that you might like to fill your shoebox with. Come and visit the office.

There are some boxes available . Cost \$1

Bring your box to church on Sunday October 23rd to be sent on with a blessing.

Contact the church office if you need to know more.

BROCHURES AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

This Week

8th Sept 9am – Hymns 856, 806, 217, 317, 331, 219
Readings– Exodus 16:2-15; Philipians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

Mon 19th Sep 9:30am Cards, Coffee & Chat– Ed Cen
 12 –8pm Red Cross Blood Bank
 7pm Waterford F/Ship Gp– June Walker's
 7:30pm Admin Team—Ed Cen

Tue 20th Sep 7:30-4:30 Red Cross Blood Bank
 6-8pm Time Out on Tuesday—Church
 7pm HOPE Study Gp—John & Val's

Wed 21st Sep 11 –8pm Red Cross Blood Bank
 7pm Choir practice—church building
 7pm Confirmation

Thurs 22nd Sep 8 –4pm Red Cross Blood Bank
 9.30 am Bible Study Group—Ed Cen
 10am Bulletin Notice Deadline
 11:30am Staff Devotion
 1:30pm Koinos F/Gp—21 Francis St

Fri 23rd Sep
Sat 24th Sep

Sun 25th Sep **MONARTO** 9am Morning Praise
CHRIST 9am Worship
CHURCH 10:45am Communion

Funeral of Maurice Wilhelm.

The large attendance at Maurice Wilhelm's funeral last Monday heard the fitting address given by Pastor David Christian and the many tributes made by organisations that Maurice was involved in.

For those unable to attend, a copy of the Service Order, including the Obituary is available from both Holy Cross and Christ Church Office. A video was made of the Service and this DVD is also available for viewing. Contact Jan at the Church Office.

A Big thank you to Ron Jericho for his many, many hours of work to ensure the new audio and multimedia connection worked in Concordia Hall for Maurice's funeral.



BRIDGE KIDZ AND THE BIBLE SOCIETY

This term we are concentrating on spreading God's word and will culminate on the 23rd September with a session about The Bible Society. This year their Kids project is providing Bibles to Suriname, this is a small country in South America between Guyana & French Guiana. About half of the population are Christian, but not everyone has access to the Bible and the Bible still needs to be translated into some of the languages. If you would like to donate money to the Bible Society through Bridge Kidz please pass on your donation to one of the Bridge Kidz Leaders or drop off at Christ Church office in a clearly marked envelope.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO BRIDGE KIDZ TEA THIS TERM

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS ONLY ONE SERVICE ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 2ND BECASUE OF THE CHURCH CAMP THAT WEEKEND

MANGOES 2011

Here is another opportunity for mango lovers.



Orders need to be in by Monday 26th September.

Please contact Jan at the church office if you wish to place an order ph 8532 6553.

Cost \$30 per box.

Delivery date to be confirmed.—co-ordinated by Unity College.

You must be available on the day of delivery with cash in hand (no cheques) to collect your order.

Part of the proceeds will be directed to a mission initiative.

Christmas Tree Festival

We still need your trees or a display for this outreach opportunity to be successful.

We are also looking for offers of honey biscuits, biscuits/Christmas cakes and puddings, white Christmas, apricot or chocolate balls or similar.

Finished articles for the gift table can be brought to the church office now.



Please contact Coralie, Heather or Jan to confirm that you will support us with the message of the real meaning of Christmas (Christ's coming for all people)



Sharing

Share your highs and lows for the week.
Share how you feel when people Lord it over you? How do you like to be treated?

Reading:

Matthew 20

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 do you feel is the main point of the parable of the workers in the vineyard?

When are you tempted to be envious?

Do you enjoy working in the vineyard—that's Jesus' kingdom? Living a life of incredible worth as we walk together with Jesus as the Father has sent us.

What is significant about Jesus predicting his death—again?

What was James and John's mother thinking? What was she hoping for? Discuss.

Read verses 25-28 Three times. Quietly ask Jesus to reveal to you what he is saying. Where are you tempted to lord it over others. Where are we tempted to do this in Jesus community?

Reflect on what it means to be a servant, a slave. How does this match with our understanding of a CEO? Discuss.

Praying

Ask Jesus to send more workers out into the Harvest Field. This week at 10am join with someone in praying this. Pray for those you know who don't know Jesus yet. Ask Jesus to grow you as his servant, that you might give your life that others grow. Pray for each other.

Verse for the Week

"You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them... **Not so with you.**"
Matt. 20:25

Character Conversation Questions

Who's running the show; Jesus or me?

Am I listening or telling Jesus.

Have I taken regular time out.

Have I honoured my spouse, parents, family, friends?

How have I built up people?

What's driving my morality?

Have I told the truth?

Has the green monster of envy reared it's head this week?

Am I forgiving or hanging on?

Where did you encounter Jesus this week?

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

Have you been honest with yourself?

Readings

Sunday 18 September

Exodus 16:2-15

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

Monday Ezek 23-24

Tuesday Ezek 25-28

Wednesday Ezek 29-32

Thursday Ezek 33-35

Friday Ezek 36,37

Saturday Ezek 38,39

Sunday 25 September

Exodus 17:1-7

Philippians 2:1-13

Matthew 21:23-32