

## **CHRIST CHURCH CONGREGATION UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2012**

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

**DEC 24th—Christmas Eve —7pm at Unity Stadium  
— 7pm at Monarto**

**25th Christmas Day - 9am—Christ Church  
- 9am at Monarto**

**There are no services at Christ Church or Monarto on  
New Year's Eve or New Year's Day.**

**You are welcome to join with Holy Cross  
at their New Year's Eve Service 7pm.**

**2013**

**February 8th—Annual Reports Due**

**March 10th—AGM**



*Christ Church Lutheran*  
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

*Zion Lutheran*  
427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



Fourth Sunday of Advent  
23rd December 2012



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.

A Happy  
and Blessed  
Christmas  
to all .

DECORATE

CHRISTMAS TREE

TODAY at 4:30pm in  
the church. Your help  
much appreciated  
by the  
Service Guild.

Rosters

MONARTO  
Wardens  
Reader

Christmas Eve 7pm  
Hein Family  
Trevor Hilton

Wardens  
Reader

Christmas Day 9am  
Frahn Family  
Rollo Hein

Wardens  
Reader  
Tea/Coffee

30th Dec 9am  
Nathan & Jodie Wegener  
Nathan Wegener  
Raelene & Colin Wegener

CHRIST CHURCH

Christmas Day

9am

Elders  
Wardens  
Music  
Reader  
Greeters  
Flowers  
Data Projector  
PA

Gary Beaughell  
John & Irene Kuchel  
Alison Grieger  
Bruno Lablack  
Grace Hill, June Walker  
Tania Walding  
Ramona Slow  
David Pech

Dec 30th

9am

10:45am

Elders  
Wardens  
Music  
Reader  
Greeters  
Flowers  
Data Projector  
PA  
Tea/Coffee

Dawn Hampel  
Merv & Dawn Schopp  
Coralie Mattner  
Ramona Slow  
Joan Bahr, Barbara Noble  
Heather Schirmer  
Bruno Lablack  
David Pech  
Brenton & Lorraine Doecke, Joan Bahr  
Dennis Pfeiffer  
D Doecke, G Kuchel  
Lyn Zadow  
Delton & Lynette Schiller  
Miegel Family  
Lees Family

RETIRING OFFERING  
FOR CHRISTMAS  
ACTION APPEAL

Christmas Day, & Sunday the  
30th December.

STAFF HOLIDAYS

Pastor Tim will be on holidays  
from 26th December until  
January 16th inclusive.

Jan will be on holidays from  
24th December until 23rd  
January inclusive.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED  
DURING THE WEEK BETWEEN  
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.

HOLIDAY OFFICE STAFF

**Jessica Jaensch** will be  
caretaking between January  
2nd and January 10th  
AND **Deb Colley** between  
January 11th and January  
23rd.

F.Y.I.

## ~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. 5:16-1.*

- ♥ Pray for the Christmas services that they bring about a sense of peace and reflection of what this Season is really all about.
- ♥ Give thanks to a wonderful God who gave such an awesome gift.. His Son Jesus. Pray that we never take His blessings, love and forgiveness for granted and that we place Him at the centre of all we do, say and think.
- ♥ Give thanks for the year that has been and for every day that is yet to come.
- ♥ Pray for people who are searching for real meaning in their lives—that they may find Jesus this Christmas.
- Heavenly Father, we pray for those in Resthaven—Dot Noller, Dorrie Materne, Rita Bretag, Keith & Joan Neumann, Jenny Mueller, Stella Grose & for Harold Miegel, Monica Eckermann, Bob Appleby, Maureen Kuchel, Gert Fiegert & Irene Wicks in Lerwin, also for Vera Appleby (Victor Harbor) & Rita Schiller (Mannum).
- 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 Les Ahrns, Judy Franklin, Bryan Lees, John Lohmeyer, Edgar Gerhardy, Les Jericho, Gordon Schultz, Wes Herrmann, Ivy Roennfeldt, Alex Warnest, Gwen Traeger, Bob Eckermann, Adut Chol & Nola Reed and pray also for their carers.

### Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

25/12 Bev Frahn  
26/12 Roxanne Rowland  
27/12 Jackson Koch  
28/12 Dennis Pfeiffer  
29/12 Carl Pfeiffer  
30/12 Perry Sickerdick  
31/12 Murray Pope, Marlene Schubert  
1/13 Graeme Mann  
2/13 Harold Miegel, Amelia Schiller  
3/13 Tamra Lees  
5/13 Noleen Kluge

## HELP!! HELP!! HELP!!

We are desperately in need of wardens for the 10:45am service as we are losing some families. Please prayerfully consider if you can assist even if it is every 2nd month.

### AGM DATE

Sunday March 10th at 1:30pm.

Reports need to be in to the Church Office by Friday February 8th.

### 2013 DEVOTION BOOK

Now available "Time Out-Come Holy Spirit" Cost \$22  
Contact Dennis Pfeiffer 8531 1188



A very BIG thank you to all who have helped out with Messy Church this last year through donations of food, money and especially your prayers. Please continue to pray for this great ministry as it becomes a monthly event in 2013. From Jodie, Deb & Gloria.

## HELP WANTED TO SET UP FOR CHRISTMAS EVE!!!

**TODAY** at 1:30pm to help set up at Unity Stadium.

- ♥ shift chairs from the JDHall to Unity
- ♥ set up the stage
- ♥ roll out the carpet

and then to pack up after Christmas on **Friday 28th December.**

**Your help much appreciated**



### 2013 OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS

Please note that all 2013 have been taken so we are using up unused offering envelopes from previous years. You will therefore find the date slightly out of sync for each month and for Easter etc. Thank you for your understanding. May God bless you for your Thanksgiving Offering.

### COFFEE, CARDS AND CHAT

will resume on Monday 7th January at 9:30am

# This Week

**Carols**— Christmas Day—34, 624, 634, 633, 632, 627  
Dec 30th— 625, 630, 2, 888

**Readings**—Christmas Day—John 1:1-5,10-14  
Dec 30th—1 Samuel 2:18-20,26; Col 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

**Mon Christmas Eve OFFICE CLOSED**

**MONARTO 7pm**  
**CHRIST CHURCH 7pm**—Unity Stadium

**Tue Christmas Day MONARTO 9am Communion**  
**CHRIST CHURCH 9am Communion**

**Wed 27th—1st Jan OFFICE CLOSED**

**Sun 30th Dec MONARTO 9am Worship**  
**CHRIST 9am Worship**  
**CHURCH 10:45am Communion**

**Mon 31st Dec OFFICE CLOSED**  
**Tue 1st Jan Public Holiday—OFFICE CLOSED**

**Wed 2nd Jan**

**Thurs 3rd Jan 10am Bulletin Notice Deadline**

**Fri 4th Jan**  
**Sat 5th Jan**

**Sun 6th Jan MONARTO 10:30am Worship Today HC**  
**CHRIST 9am Worship Today HC**  
**CHURCH 10:45am Worship**

## LUTHERAN MEDIA MINISTRY

Download or listen online at [www.facetoface.org.au](http://www.facetoface.org.au)



### 25<sup>th</sup> Dec A Christmas Celebration

- Christmas – a time to celebrate - a time when families get together - a time for peace and goodwill. But above all it's a time to remember the birth of the baby in the manger at Bethlehem almost 2000 years ago. Join us on Christmas day for a Face To Face Special. It's titled A Christmas Celebration.

### RENEW SUMMER

CAMP for 18 years and over.

15 - 18 February.

Victor Harbor.

Regos are open <http://renew.2013.eventzilla.net>

### NEW JDHALL CHAIRS

12 new arm chairs for the JD Hall have arrived. We have had an excellent response from donors of \$1305, however the revised cost amounted to nearly \$2300. Further donations would be gratefully received.

### 175 STORIES

As part of our 175th anniversary celebrations next year, we're compiling a collection of 175 stories that will together reflect the history of Lutherans in Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and South-East Asia.

These stories will be about ordinary Lutheran men and women who exemplified service or who figured in significant events in our Lutheran narrative. The stories, which will be about people now deceased, will tell not only what they did but also something of their personality and faith. Lay people will feature prominently in the collection.

**We are inviting every congregation to contribute a story.**

We do stress, however, that not every story received will be published in the collection. All of them will, however, be passed on to Lutheran Archives to take their place in the story of the LCA.

We realise that not everyone can write confidently, so suggestions and ideas for stories are also invited. Examples of stories can be found on the LCA website: <http://www.lca.org.au/175-stories.html>

Please send stories (around 500 words), with a photo if possible, and suggestions for stories to Dr John Koch: [John.Koch@lca.org.au](mailto:John.Koch@lca.org.au) or 34 Gallery Road, Highbury SA 5089 **by 28 February**. Also include the author's name and contact details.

# ***Privacy Statement***

***Christ Church Lutheran, Murray Bridge***, as are all Congregations, are bound and governed by the Privacy (Private Sector) Act 2000.

We also come under the various compliances in regard to Safe Place, Child Safe and all members involved in caring and visiting also require a Police Check for such clearance to be involved.

Further, in order to comply with the privacy of members when video and photos are shown, written permission is required.

It is planned to have an updated Members and Friends Directory available early next year to members. This directory will be similar to that printed in 2009 showing Family names and addresses, phone and mobile numbers and also email addresses.

As it is not practical to obtain permission in writing from all our members listed in the Directory at this stage, we ask that you read the Privacy Statement that was adopted by the Administration Team on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

**It reads as follows:**

***Christ Church Lutheran, Murray Bridge*** is bound and governed by the Privacy (Private Sector) Act 2000 and the 10 National Privacy Principles that form part of the Act.

*We collect this information about you before, during and after your membership with us. We do this for efficiency in making contact with you, to offer spiritual guidance and support when requested.*

*This information is kept in secure Data Storage and can only be accessed by persons involved in Ministry of the Church.*

*You do not have to give this information to us, but, not doing so may compromise our ability to care for you.*

*We may include your Name and, where applicable, contact details on membership lists, prayer lists, bulletins, newsletters, rosters, Directory and similar Church publications.*

*I understand that this information will not be forwarded to other organisations without my consent, and will be only used for pastoral care and programmes within the Lutheran Church of Australia. I give my consent that contact details (minus details marked 'Private') may be published in the Congregation Directory and other church publications. I also understand that unless indicated above, my image may be used for promotional purposes, in print and electronic media by the local church.*

In the latter part of January 2013, you will be able to ask to view your personal information that is already on file, and ask for it to be corrected or up-dated if need be or if some details are to remain private. Contact the Church Office at: 5 Marchand St. Murray Bridge, 5253. By Telephone: 85326553 (Mon-Fri 9-12) or Email: [christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au](mailto:christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au)

Records are being maintained by Pastor Tim Koch, Jan Brodde, Graham and Marlene Schubert and Ron Jericho.

Thanks for your co-operation.

Adrian Puust,  
Chairman Christ Church Lutheran Administration Team.