

Myanmar

Please pray for the Lutheran church in Myanmar as there is civil unrest in their area and they are under threat. They need our prayers now!

BE *still* AND *listen*

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



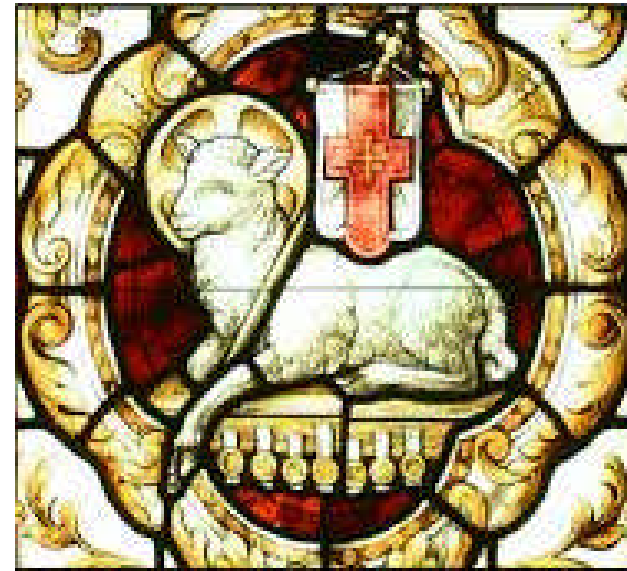
Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge

Zion Lutheran

427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



First Sunday after Epiphany
8th January 2017



Behold,
the Lamb
of God!

John 1:29

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.

Welcome

We welcome all visitors & pray you are made to feel at home here in our congregation.

Resthaven

Christ Church is organising the **Resthaven** Communion service on **Thursday 12th Jan at 3.30pm**. Please come along and join in worship with our family at Resthaven.

2017 DEVOTION BOOK

NOW AVAILABLE

“Time Out- Food for each day”
Contact Dennis Pfeiffer
ph 8531 1188 Cost \$23

Theological Books For Myanmar Lutheran Church - Pastor James San Aung

If people have any theological books they would like to donate to the Myanmar Lutheran Church training school the team of six people going can take them over.

Please take any books to the church office bearing in mind we have a 30 kg bag limit.

We are interested in Luther's small Catechism and similar. Alternatively give them to Kluge's to distribute.

We are looking for old pairs of glasses and crosses to give away also.



Rosters

♥ "COMMUNION"

		15-Jan	22-Jan	29-Jan	
Monarto	Service Time	10:30am ♥	9am	No service	
	Wardens	Max & Maxine	Tyson/Trevor/Joy		
	Readers	Rollo Hein	Haydn Hein		
	Tea Coffee		Doris Hein		
Christ Church	9am	Elder/Assist	I Kluge ♥	G Beauglehall	R Zanker
		Wardens	B&L Doecke I Pumpa	A & D Hampel	M & D Schopp
		Readers	A Grieger	B Traeger	P Hammond
		Greeters	B&Y Lablack	C Coulter J Herrmann	J Bahr/H Visser
		Organist	Coralie	Joyce	June
		Flowers	Y Lablack	A Leske	D Hampel
		Tea/coffee/milk	R&M Herrmann	D&J Lienert Y Koch	J&J Stiller
		PA	David	David	David
	Data Projector	D Hampel	C Beauglehall	B Lablack	
	10:45am	Elder/Assist	J Emmins	G Schubert ♥	G Schubert
		Wardens	P & V Jaensch		D Doecke P O'Connor
		Readers	T Piltz	M Schubert	D Doecke
		Greeters	G & M Schubert	D & H Pfeiffer	D&L Schiller
		Music			
Prayers		Pastor Tim	D Pfeiffer	G Schubert	
PA		Roger	Roger	Roger	
Data Projector		Piltz family	Y Stiller	B Hein	
Counter	D Schiller	J Brodde	V Jaensch		
Grounds Roster					
Water & Care		M Kleemann	Y Koch	J Schirmer	

Coming Week ...

Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7 1 Cor. 1:1-9 John 1:29-42

Mon	9th Jan	9.30am	Cards and Coffe
		7.30pm	Elders & Property Ed Centre
Tues	10th Jan		
Wed	11th Jan		No Confirmation
Thurs	12th Jan	9.30pm	Bible Study
		10am	Bulletin Notices due
		3.30pm	Resthaven Service (HC)
Fri	13th Jan	10.30am	Lerwin Service (HC)
Sun	13th Jan		Christ Church
		9am	Holy Communion
		10.45	Worship
			Monarto
		9am	Worship Today Holy Communion

COMING EVENTS

January	10-14th	Spin Camp Kedron - Barmera
	20-22nd	Lutheran Women's SANT retreat
February	4th	Professional Standards Workshop at Spring Head Lutheran Church
	10-13th	Simplify Renew Young Adults Camp, Walkr/Flt
	25th	Invorgor8 Conference
March	4-5th	Hobby Expo - JDH
	6th	AGM: 5:30-6pm pooled tea followed 7pm AGM



MONDAY 6TH MARCH

5:30-6pm pooled tea
7pm AGM meeting

NOMINATIONS

Where can you help.
Please pray about how you can help your church family in 2017

AGM REPORTS

Are you the leader of a group?
Its time you started to think about what you will put in your AGM report. They will be due around February next year



Christ Church is organising the
Lerwin

Communion service
on **Friday**
13th Jan 10:30am.
Please come along and join in worship with our family at Lerwin.

Trading Table

There will be a trading table
next **Sunday 15th January**

STAFF HOLIDAYS

Yvonne is on holidays from 4th January to 26th January inclusive.

Denise Lohmeyer will be **caretaking in the office.**



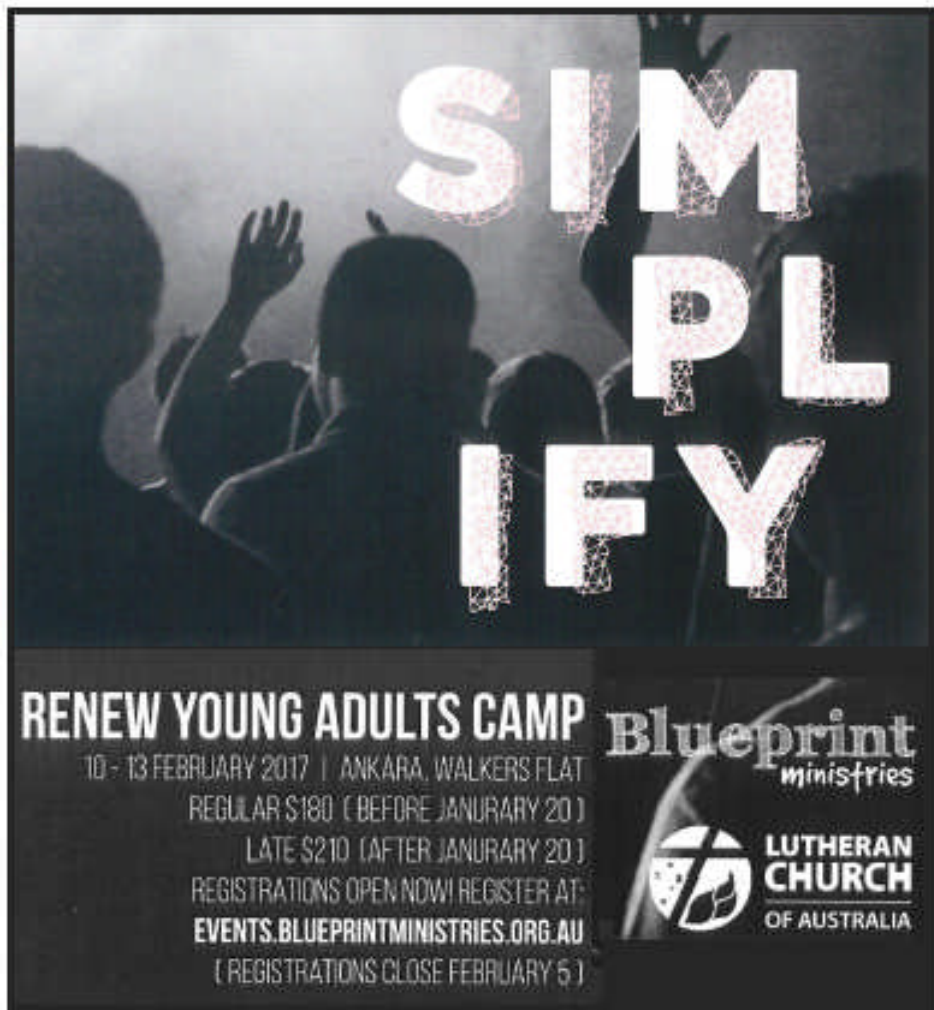
Please save your
Christmas Cards and
drop into the church
office for this years

Australia Day Celebrations

Port Adelaide Caledonian
Choir

Thursday 26th Jan 2017

Murray Bridge Lutheran
Homes
Owl Drive Village Centre
2pm start
\$5.00 /person



SIMPLIFY

RENEW YOUNG ADULTS CAMP
 10 - 13 FEBRUARY 2017 | ANKARA, WALKERS FLAT
 REGULAR \$180 (BEFORE JANUARY 20)
 LATE \$210 (AFTER JANUARY 20)
 REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW! REGISTER AT:
EVENTS.BLUEPRINTMINISTRIES.ORG.AU
 (REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FEBRUARY 5)

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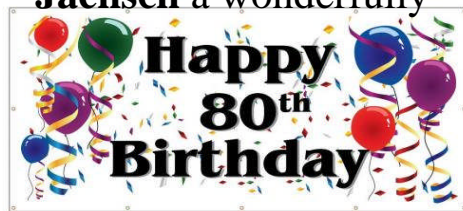


Children and Family Ministry Conference

Saturday 25th Feb 2017

Visit www.blueprintministries.org.au for more details.

Wishing Audrey Jaensch a wonderfully



for 12th January!

~ **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.

- Lord Jesus, you have commanded that we should take up our cross & follow you. Give us humble and obedient hearts that we may carry your yoke willingly, trust in you, and follow you in all suffering.
- Ask Jesus, the Light of the world, to come into your life today and dispel all the darkness of sin. Ask for help to walk in the light of his presence and to spread that light into the community of Murray Bridge.
- Pray for the building of healthy relationships within our church community— as we continue the journey of investing in fellowship.
- Lord God, We ask for God’s blessings for Gordon Schultz, Dawn Jaensch, Joyleen Stiller, Roy Traeger, & also for their carers.

If you have any prayer requests or would like to be included in this list please contact Yvonne in the office

Pray for those Celebrating their Baptismal Birthdays

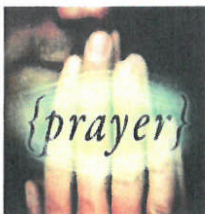
- 8/1 Rita Faehrmann
- 8/1 Trent Mueller
- 10/1 James Bissett
- 10/1 Callum Mann
- 10/1 Colin Schenscher
- 12/1 Maurice Wegener
- 13/1 Melissa Schultz
- 14/1 Beverley Paech



LUTHERAN WOMEN SAINT RETREAT

Friday 20TH – Sunday 22nd January, 2017
at Australian Lutheran College, North Adelaide

Pastor Dan Rooney
RETREAT CHAPLAIN / BIBLE STUDY LEADER
will help us explore



“LORD TEACH US TO PRAY”

Take a break, rest and recharge as together with other faithful women we enjoy fellowship and prayer support.

ALL ENROLMENTS and FULL PAYMENT must be received by 9th January 2017 for catering purposes.

Enrolment form available on LWSA/NT website:
<http://www.sa.lca.org.au/?q=mission/women>
For further information

email Ruth Kaesler - kaeslerrj@bigpond.com or (08) 8388 7784
or Val Schild - dschild@internode.on.net or (08) 8391 2004



2017 Offering Envelopes are now available in the Church foyer or office

Broken Hill Lutheran Congregation will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of its Church building on 26th February 2017. In order to prepare the building for this event, they would like to appeal to members of the LCA that if anyone with trade or handyman skills might be available to offer their services and ‘tidy’ the building for a period of time prior to 26th Feb. Any offers of assistance or further queries should be directed to the congregation Chairperson, Ann Hohnberg (08) 8087 6492. Accommodation is available in the Church flat.

Professional Standards Workshop

Bringing God’s love to life in the LCA
... *creating a safe and caring environment for all*

Workshop Hosts:
Spring Head Lutheran Church
280 Springhead Rd, Mount Torrens

Date:
Saturday 4 February

Time:
9.30am - 3.30pm
Sign-in from 9am

Cost:
\$40.00 per person

Registration is essential!

Register online...

www.sa.lca.org.au
RSVP: 31/1/17

This workshop will cover...

LCA Standards of Ethical Behaviour

- ♥ Unpacking the core principles
- ♥ complaints handling

This is required for Church leadership and
Desirable for all adult members

Child and Youth Ministries

- ♥ ChildSafe Team Member

Required for Church Leadership and those involved in children and youth ministry. Desirable for parents of young children.

Further information: Holly Koning 08 8267 5211 holly.koning@lca.org.au

*Ladies Fellowship
and
Christmas Tree Festival*

Planning Meeting

Ladies of the Parish -
Ladies Fellowship Planning Day
**Monday 23rd January 2017 from 11:30
am at Heather and Jims , 57 Mc Quarrie
Street Murray Bridge**

**Come along and share your ideas for the
programme for 2017 Ladies Fellowship .**

Bring a plate of lunch to share .

**Stay on after the programme planning
for Christmas Tree Festival planning or
join us around 2:30pm.**

**For further details contact Heather on
0400 333 422 or Coralie on 85 32 3064.
Everyone welcome. New ladies and ideas
greatly appreciated.**

Women's Guild Committee Meeting

Meeting is to be on **Monday 16th January**
at **9.30am** at Holy Cross Meeting Room



**Put God's SMILE
on your Dial**



Women's Guild

HELP NEEDED.

**The Women's Guild are seeking assistance in manag-
ing the Thrift Shop in the future
as it is becoming difficult manually for members to
set up and dismantle equipment.**

**It is felt this activity is a worthwhile exercise to sup-
port Welfare financially within the Church and com-
munity. If you feel moved to assist with this project
approximately 3 times per year and require further
information please contact.**

Margaret Warnest. Ph 8532 1334

Or

Velma Zerk. Ph 85325611.

8 January 2017

As we celebrate
Jesus' baptism,
we remember
our own.



Growing FAITH at home

First Sunday after Epiphany
WHITE is the colour of purity, light and completeness.

FAITH 5

creative response

White is used in all festivals of our Lord, (The Baptism of Jesus, Epiphany, Trinity etc) and this represents the purity, majesty and splendor of God.



share

Your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following question:

How were you drawn to God today? Through a friend, an event, a book, the beauty of nature?



read

Daily Bible Readings

S	Matthew 3:13-17	The baptism of Jesus
M	Matthew 28:16-20	Baptism in the Triune name
T	Ezekiel 36:22-28	A new heart and a new spirit
W	Acts 8:26-40	An Ethiopian is baptised
T	Romans 6:1-11	Baptised into Christ Jesus
F	Colossians 2:8-15	Made alive with Christ
S	Psalms 89:1-4, 19-29	God anoints David to be a son
S	John 1:29-42	Jesus, the Lamb of God



talk

- Share baptism memories. What do you know or remember about your own baptism?
- What took place at Jesus' baptism? How do you think he felt?
- How do you feel about your baptism? What does it mean to you?



pray

The prayer for the week

Spirit of God, come upon us. Help us to hear God's voice and to know his love. Amen. (Matthew 3:16-17)

And for your highs and lows, for your family and for the world.



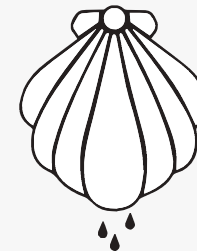
bless

Share this week's blessing (below) or make up your own.

Baptised child of God, may the Holy Spirit come and rest on you. May the Spirit make you strong and bless you with peace. Amen.

Ask your pastor or church office for the names of those baptised in your church in the past year. Prepare bookmarks, cards or notes of encouragement to give to these people (or their households). Express your thankfulness for their membership in God's family through holy baptism.

Share in a ritual of baptismal remembrance when you gather for meals this week. Place a bowl of water in the centre of your meal table. Have each person dip a finger in the water and sign the mark of the cross on another's forehead. Say these words to one another in turn: **"Remember and be thankful – you are a baptised child of God, marked with the cross of Christ forever."**



verse for the week

A voice from
heaven said,
"This is my son,
whom I love;
with him I am
well pleased."

MATTHEW 3:17

epiphany

mealt ime prayer

Lord, you give good
gifts from above. May
we eat with thanks, and
live with love. Amen.