



FOOD DONATIONS

Teen Challenge Thanks you for your generous giving. They are always in need of main meals

eg: cans meat & veg, spag, baked beans etc. and plastic shopping bags. *Please check your items, they can't give out any food that is past the expiry date or is in rusty cans.*



Their clients also enjoy fresh fruit and Vegies too!

Food Collection

Please bring into the office or take to Teen Challenge direct

For anybody experiencing domestic and/or family violence please call Centacare 8531 8888

Monarto Congregation Contacts

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Zion Lutheran

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Sixth Sunday of Easter
17th May 2020



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

OFFICE HOURS Please see Update from Leadership inside

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Bushfire Assistance: Some bushfire-affected people in the Adelaide Hills require assistance with manual labour. If you are able to lend a hand removing burned trees etc, please contact Onkaparinga Lutheran Parish 8389 7357 or email onka.parish@internode.on.net.



Graham Schubert has made a coat rack for the Salvation Army to hang coats on for any who that do not have a warm coat for winter.

They are asking for coats of any size, but particularly larger sizes. Please bring into the church office or take them down to the Salvo's on fourth street and put the coats onto the rack.

The rack will be out Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. Thank You

Don't forget to bring in your plastic bottle tops, bread tags & ink cartridges for recycling. We are also reusing the Paper bags and DVD sleeves so please return them to the office too!



PLEASE NOTE

Please Note: Bulletin notices are now due by **10am on Wednesdays**

OFFERINGS

If you can't drop your offerings in please contact the office for assistance. A big thank you to everyone who has been adapting to continue their giving, at this stage offerings are keeping on track with our budget.

BSB and Account Number for Christ Church:

BSB 704 942 Acc # 100311504

Other News:

LLL Interest: Please note LLL interest rate has been reduced to 1% from May 1st, 2020. May is interest month, send off your LLL passbook to the LLL now so that your book can be updated and interest added.

Teen Challenge Please continue to support Teen Challenge with your food donations.

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

The Blood Service **Mobile Blood Donor Centre** will be visiting **JDH, Murray Bridge** Make an appointment today **131495** or donateblood.com.au

Mon 18 May
10:30am-6:30pm

Tues 19 May
10:30am-6:30pm

Wed 20 May
11:30am-6:30pm

Thurs 21 May
8:30am-3:00pm

Lutheran Men of Australia

MAY-JULY 2020 NEWSLETTER is available. Please contact the office if you want a copy.




THANK YOU
Concordia Kindergarten thanks everyone who has made a donation towards a bible for a child at Kindy. They have reached the targeted amount. The kindy staff will be in contact with the donors in the coming weeks.

Options for worship and praising

Check out Facebook Page for the latest Take Away

YouTube channels: (subscribe for easy access)

Christ Church Lutheran Church

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkuwYNGuuhb8UFafjU7bFtKA>

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1o3Cy-fGMCsEoTtn9kwkgQ>

Music Ministry Online

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDoA2JRIV7vHNT0oceDkibg>

TV Options

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Channel 44 Sat 12noon

Joyce Myer channel 44 weekday 9am

In Touch Ministries, Charles Stanley channel 92

Sundays 7.30am

David Jeremiah channel 72 Sundays 8am

Radio and Internet options include

Radio -Power FM – 107.9 - Sundays 7.00am & 8.00am

Andy Stanley podcasts <https://podcasts.apple.com/au/podcast/your-move-with-andy-stanley-podcast/id211872550>

Toowoomba Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

[Watch Online - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Toowoomba, Qld](#)

Worship with St Michael's Lutheran Church, Hahndorf

<https://livestream.com/luthworship/events/2472486>

Immanuel Lutheran Church Buderim, 10:30am Sundays

<https://ichurch.net.au/immanuel-livestream/>

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, Rochedale Qld

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC41T_5K_sK0s_PIyc9uK4Cw

If you know of something else let us know and we will share it with everyone.



First Communion

Pastor Tim and Pastor Paul are planning to conduct a First Communion course for those who wish to be admitted to the Sacrament of the Altar.

Please either email or call the office. More details to follow.

From the Leadership Team

Access to the Church Office: For everyone's safety during the COVID-19 self-isolation & social distancing restrictions, the Church office will be closed to all non-essential access. The office will be open to take phone calls & will communicate through the door from 9am to 12noon Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday. Pastor Tim is still contactable via phone & is happy to talk to anyone who needs to speak to him.

17th May ~ District Convention of Synod

The Synod has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. SA-NT Bishop David Altus will be preaching what would have been his Synod message at St Michael's, Hahndorf, this Sunday 9:30am. To watch go to <https://livestream.com/luthworship/events/2472486>



Pastor Tim invites you to try your hand at a poem or some prose to describe how Jesus has impacted your life. Please send in your thoughts; maybe even as a video clip that might share your faith. Let God's creative spirit flow through you to be a blessing to others. I look forward in expectation to what you share. Go to our Web Page and click on the above picture to see what is being shared.

Printer Ink Cartridges

The office has the following ink cartridges available:

Epson: 2373XL ans Canon: 671

Please contact the office if you are interested

Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Please Pray for...

Christ Church: Martha Aartsen, Lores Frahn, Audrey & Marcus Jaensch, Noleen Kluge, Irene Kuchel, Margaret Kuchel, Bob Martin, Peter Paech, David Pech, Murray Piltz, Sandra Thiele, June Walker & also for their Carers.

And for Oscar Noye and his parents/Grandparents - Amelia & Josh Noye and Delton & Lynette Schiller

Holy Cross: Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Lila Grocke, Trevor Hueppauff, Bert & Nita Hyam, Pat Jenke, Leila Koehler, Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Felicity Woods & also for their Carers.

Resthaven: Joyce Ahrns (CC), Ray Box (HC), Lorna Burrett (HC), Doris Hein (Mon), Leon Klitscher (HC), Dot Noller (CC), Helen Paech (Mon)

Lerwin: Colleen Fawcett (CC), Glad Hausler (CC), Enid Heidrich (CC), Stewart Jaensch (CC), Dorothy Klitscher (HC), Alice Kowald (HC), Betty Paech (HC), Lorna Schulz (CC)

Aminya Village, Mannum: Val Stevens (CC)

Bupa Aged Care: Ruth Neindorf (HC)

Infin8 Care, Hahndorf: Geoff Pfeiffer (CC)

Meningie Hosp Aged Care: Kurt Unger (HC)

Tailem Bend Hosp: Paul Fiegert (HC), Pat Gogel (HC), Bevan Schulz (HC)



Prayer of the Day: Jesus, our loving friend and Saviour, you have promised to give us your Spirit to be with us forever. Stay within our hearts, so that we love one another as you have loved us. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Also Pray...

Continue to pray for the teachers, children and their families at Kindy including Mandy, Max B, Jiajie L, Malachi F, Tilly R & Natasha F and also for Year 4 classes at Unity and surrounding schools.

We pray for all parents, grandparents and guardians. Move them to care for their children properly, and help them bring up their children to know, love and serve you. Comfort couples who would like to have children, and those who desire to be mothers but whose prayer has not been answered. Give hope to parents who have lost their children, or been denied access to them.

We pray for the church, the bride of Christ, that it may be like a mother to all who seek God's help. Help us to grow in confidence as we witness to others so that we will draw many to you.

Grant us your spirit of love and self-discipline so that we may come together, working to control and eliminate the coronavirus. Sustain all workers and business owners who suffer loss of livelihood due to shut-downs, quarantines, closed borders, and other restrictions.

Pray Continually

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

17th	Skyler Summer (HC)	20th	Marcus Konitzka (CC)
18th	Amy Martin (CC)		Travis Roocke (CC)
19th	Joyce Ahrns (CC)		Lynette Schiller (CC)
	Donna Carroll (HC)	22nd	Leon Klitscher (HC)
	Samantha Lubcke (CC)	23rd	Kevin Schrapel (CC)
	Stephanie Lubcke (CC)		



Please pray for everyone celebrating their
Baptismal Birthday

If you would like to be included in our Prayers or have your Birthdays or Anniversary announced, please contact Yvonne in the office on 8532 6553 .



Thank you

To my Church Family & friends, many thanks for cards, phone calls and visits on the occasion of my 90th birthday. May God Bless you all as He has Blessed me.

Gladys Jaeschke

Congratulations to **Marcus & Audrey Jaensch**

who celebrated their
th Anniversary on 12th May.

*They were married in the Pilgrim
Lutheran Church, Neukirk in the Barossa.*

*Pastor Carl Dohler conducted
the wedding on a wet & windy day.*



LCA/NZ PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Reflecting God's Love ~ **KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE**

If you think a child is at risk of harm ... In an emergency, call 000 - If it is not an emergency, call your local police and child protection authority.



Growing
FAITH
at home

17 May 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Holy Spirit is our helper.

Devotions

Daily Bible Readings

S	John 14:15-21	The promise of the Holy Spirit
M	John 14:23-27	The Spirit will teach you
T	John 16:5-16	The work of the Holy Spirit
W	1 Peter 3:13-22	You are blessed
T	Acts 1:1-11	The ascension of Jesus
F	Acts 17:22-31	God commands people to repent
S	Psalms 66:8-20	Praise be to God
S	John 17:1-11	Jesus prays for his disciples

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions

PRAYER

Jesus you are Lord of our hearts, help us to be gentle and respectful of others so they see you alive in us.
Amen.

BLESSING

May God give you the Holy Spirit as a helper and guide.

Caring Conversations

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

Who has been helpful to you this past week? In what ways have you helped others?

2

Jesus called the Holy Spirit our helper or counsellor. What does the Holy Spirit help us to do?



Easter

In the season of Easter we celebrate how Jesus appeared to many after his resurrection. **WHITE** or **GOLD** are the colours of Easter and represent victory, resurrection and eternal life.

Creative Response

This Thursday is Ascension Day.

This marks the last appearance of Jesus to the disciples after his resurrection at Easter, and his bodily ascension into heaven. It is the fortieth day after Easter Sunday and always falls on a Thursday.

The book of Acts (1:12) suggests that Jesus' ascension took place from Mt. Olivet, located northeast of the town of Bethany.

Plan a trip (by car or foot) to a 'high place' in your area. While there, discuss what it might have been like to see Jesus ascend into heaven, and what you think his return at the end of time might be like.

Take time to notice the clouds and see what shapes you can find (there is an old tradition that the clouds on Ascension Day take the form of lambs, in honour of the Lamb of God).

mealtime prayer

Come Holy Spirit, be our guest and let this food to us be blessed. Amen.

verse for the week

Then I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you. The Spirit will show you what is true.

JOHN 14:16-17A

Service

The Holy Spirit is our helper. How can we show ways to help others this week? Make a list and put it on the fridge to remind you.



Myanmar Mission Appeal

May is Myanmar month – at our AGM we moved to once again donate to Myanmar Mission. During May donate via the office in marked envelopes. At the end of May we will round up the amount donated to \$5000 and send to Asia Focus Australia, specifically marked for Myanmar.

This week's story is about St Gabriel's church at Thar Sum Block, Shwe Pyi Thar township Yangon.

25th Sept 2019 Ian attended with Bishop Andrew and James to visit St Gabriel's Lutheran Church. This is a mission project Asia Focus currently supports. The Thar Sum Block area is a mainly Buddhist area with a huge potential for Kingdom/church growth with young families working in the many factories in the area and have no church to attend. The overall population is growing in the area. Pastor Joseph Shin Lone, his wife and 5 children faithfully serve there. To say Ian was taken aback by the housing/church standard is an understatement. It was little more than a shed with a tin roof, concrete floor, raised concrete foundations and panelled wall. The ceiling consisted of a bamboo structure with cardboard used as insulation from the heat from the tin roof. Plus shade cloth inside under cardboard with an air gap to help stop the heat. In the wet season the house is flooded out and Pastor Joseph and family have to move out to the MLC Insein church complex and close the church. 20 to 30 people worship there Sunday mornings in a small space, followed by Bible studies after a shared lunch. At present many of the members have been stood down from their factory jobs because of Covid 19 restrictions which makes it difficult to afford basic necessities like food. Joseph & family support people with the little they have. The vision of Bishop Andrew, Myanmar Lutheran Church is to build a permanent church after purchasing land. *Ian & Dianne Kluge*

Excerpts from Asia Focus April FIRE magazine

Myanmar - LCM

Day by Day the Sufferings are increasing.

The COVID-19 pandemic is destroying the physical and spiritual life of everyone around the world. This is not just a problem of one single ethnic group, society, community, or a country problem but it is worldwide. The most disturbing thing is not being able to gather with our fellow church members and worship God together on a Sunday as usual. Even though we've preached sermons through live streaming and prayed through mobile phones and other means, something important is missing: it is called "socializing" which Covid-19 needs for conquering the world.

What we need in our church at the moment is help for pastors, missionaries and church workers' families. Myanmar now only has 144 COVID-19 cases confirmed and 5 deaths. I believe this is only the beginning and the true numbers may be much higher right now.

Sadly, I just heard that there are more than 10 virus infected people in Tahan, LCM's home territory, and this number is expected to grow day by day. We don't know how long the virus will keep the people from working outside safely, so the survival of poor families in the villages are at stake.

Since we don't have sufficient medical equipment and capacity, the checking process is very inadequate. The government cannot cover wide areas for checking. Because of shortages all around, it seems that our country will suffer more day by day.



Rev. Martin Lalthangliana,
President Lutheran Church of Myanmar

Myanmar - MLC

The Khumi People in deadly combat on two fronts

In Paletwa, the heartland of MLC (MYANMAR LUTHERAN CHURCH), with its Khumi people, things are grim. Civil War is raging there every day, every week, every month. *Just yesterday four people were shot dead, in my home town, reports Pastor James San Aung, Reports of atrocities, bombings, my people being driven out of their villages come in all the time. Now A SECOND ENEMY has just arrived, an even worse one: the Covid -19 virus. I have no word to add to my unceasing tears that flow from my eyes except asking God please help our Khumi people in Paletwa, Chin State.*

Nearly as a sideline (because we can't do everything) AFA also runs a low level, associated appeal for the building of a CHURCH CENTRE COMPLEX in Paletwa that can accommodate IDPs (Internally Displaced Persons), that is refugees. This cause has the special support from Christ Lutheran Church, Murray Bridge SA, through the tireless work of Ian and Diane Kluge. We are just overwhelmed by so much suffering among some of our closest friends and partners. We have promised to help them with some thousands... won't say more. About 3,000 Khumis have already streamed into Paletwa township.