

FREEWILL OFFERINGS & BUDGET POSITION 13th JUNE – 16th JULY

Offerings for the month of 13th JUNE – 16th JULY, 2020;

REG	\$ 7,053	Budget \$ 4,167
Offering Plate	\$ 5,764	Budget \$ 7,385
TOTAL	\$12,817	Budget \$11,572

OFFERINGS Jan – 16th JULY, 2020:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget to Date</u>
REG	\$37,305	Budget \$29,165
Offering Plate	\$41,830	Budget \$55,385
TOTAL	\$79,135	Budget \$84,550

OTHER INCOME 13/5/2020 - 16/7/2020: \$5,567

EXPENSES 13/5/2020 - 16/7/2020: \$12,035 (\$3,723 less than budgeted)

Myanmar Donations - \$1,220

Once again it has been an overwhelming response from our members and we express a *HUGE* heartfelt **THANK YOU** to you all.

Thank you to all who continue to generously donate food to Teen Challenge.

Monarto Congregation Contacts

<u>Monarto Elders</u>	Haydn Hein	8532 3176
	Maurice Wegener	8531 1060
<u>Monarto Chairman</u>	Trevor Hilton	0439 839 022
<u>Monarto Secretary</u>	Raelene Wegener	8538 5444

Christ Church Congregation Contacts

<u>Christ Church Elders</u>	Dawn Hampel	8532 4138
	Denise Lohmeyer	8531 0935
	David Pech	0420 849 344
	Janelle Traeger	8535 4290
	Ian Kluge	8531 3449

<u>Chairman</u>	Warren Doecke	0417 804 663, 8572 6019
<u>Cong. Secretary</u>	Cheryl Doecke	0427 804 663, 8572 6019
<u>Treasurer</u>	Cynthia Frahn	0419 826 707
<u>Church Secretary</u>	Yvonne Stiller	8532 3445
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For anybody experiencing domestic and/or family violence please call Centacare 8531 8888



Christ Church Lutheran

31 Swanport Rd, Murray Bridge

Zion Lutheran

427 Schenscher Rd, Monarto



LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF AUSTRALIA
where love comes to life

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
26th July 2020



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

Together again! Sunday July 19th

OFFICE HOURS Please see Update from Leadership inside

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Pastor Tim invites you to write 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.



Access to the Church Office:

During the COVID-19 self-isolation & social distancing restrictions, the Church office will be closed to all non-essential access. The office will take phone calls & will communicate through the door from 9am to 12noon Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday.

CANCELLED!!

5th August Service Guild meeting has been cancelled



Asia Focus Australia June FIRE magazine is out now. If you would like a copy go to:

<http://www.asiafocus.org.au/newsletters>

Or contact the church office.

Men's Shed Night

~ Kick off after Covid! ~

Friday August 21st

From 6:30pm

@ Matt Woitd's place
61 Carter, Swanport

Tea provided (donation)

BYO chair



RSVP 18th August ~ 8532 6553

PAPER SHED NEWS

Please bring in your newspapers, magazines, papers, cardboard and shredded paper to our paper shed to help raise funds.

Leave on or near the table, please do not tie up papers but keep them loose.

Please remember to shred any items that show names and address. These can be shredded in the office if needed, bring them in and Yvonne will show you how to do it.



Many thanks

Barnabas Friendship Group is Returning

Tues 28th July - 2pm
@ Zanker's

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.

Contact the office for REG giving or use BSB and Account Number for Christ Church:

BSB 704 942

Acc # 100311504

Options for worship and praising

Check our Facebook Page for the latest Take Away

YouTube channels: (subscribe for easy access)

Christ Church Lutheran Church

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkuwYNguhb8UFafjU7bFtKA>

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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

Music Ministry Online

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

TV Options

Channel 44

Bethlehem Lutheran Church - Saturday 12noon

Joyce Myer - weekdays 9am

St John's Unley - Sunday 2:30pm

Channel 92 - In Touch Ministries, Sundays 7.30am

Channel 72 - David Jeremiah Sunday 8am

- Leading the Way Sunday 7:30am

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

Sunday 8:30am [Watch Online - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Toowoomba, Qld](#)

St Michael's Lutheran Church, Hahndorf Sunday

9:30am <https://livestream.com/luthworship/events/2472486>

Immanuel Lutheran Church Buderim, 10:30am Sundays

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

Our Saviour Lutheran, Rochedale Qld Sunday 8am

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC41T_5K_sK0s_P1yc9uK4Cw

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



Thurs 6th August 7:30pm

Ed Centre meeting room
via Zoom

An evening where you can get a "taste" of the four Prophetic Ministry workshops that Michael Dutschke runs.

Numbers are limited, please book with church office



Step Up To Communion

First Communion lessons will commence on Wednesday 29th July 7-8pm in the Holy Cross Office. (Will run for four weeks)

Confirmation

Confirmation Lessons will commence on 2nd September 7-8pm

Please contact Christ Church office, 8532 6553, to register your interest for either Step Up To Communion or Confirmation

REGIONAL DISADVANTAGE

MURRAY BRIDGE INTERCHURCH COUNCIL PRESENTS



Ross Womersley
CEO at South Australian Council of Social Service (SACOSS)
Together with **Jane Emmins** (Financial Counsellor Salvation Army)



Tuesday 18th August 2020
6:00pm for a 6:30pm start.
Murray Bridge Uniting Church
Naroomba Blvd, Murray Bridge



Bookings essential via
trybooking.com/BKAQD
by 4th August 2020
Entry: Gold Coin Donation
refreshments included

COVID-19 Safe Environment

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.

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, Joy Lienert, David Pech, Murray Piltz, Joyleen Rosenzweig, 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, Ivan Hein, Trevor Hueppauff, Bert & Nita Hyam, Pat Jenke, Leila Koehler, Matt Kruschel, Joy Leighton, Murray Nitschke, Jim & Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Brian Venn, 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)

Meningie Hosp Aged Care: Kurt Unger (HC)

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



Prayer of the Day:

Lead us, great and loving God, to desire, above everything, the gifts of your kingdom. Make us ready to renounce anything else, for the sake of your most precious gift, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you 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 Jess Ja, Isla A, Peyton, Jace, Aya L & Levi C and also for Year 1 classes at Unity and surrounding schools.

Please bless Pastor Tim and all church leaders making decisions on how we can worship in the best and in a sustainable way during these times. Please reveal your best plan for our ministry and mission. Help us to discern your will as we spend time in prayer with you.

We pray for our whole community as they re-adjust to easing of restrictions. We ask for God's peace for those troubled in mind, lonely, anxious and hurting. May they know God's new life for them. Lord, sustain those caught up in the return to hard lockdown in Victoria. We can only imagine the disappointment and worry they are experiencing, We pray that you will be with them all.

Pray Continually

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

July		30th.. Trish Rohrlach (CC)
27th	Oscar Blake (HC)	Rodney Zanker (CC)
	Anna Franzl (CC)	31st Jennifer Krueger (CC)
	John Pfeiffer (HC)	August
29th	Sabine Jericho (CC)	1st Bob Gerlach (HC)
30th	Sophia Barolo (Mon)	Ivy Roennfeldt (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 .



Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Geoff Pfeiffer who passed away on Saturday 18th July. Geoff's funeral service was held on Friday, 24th July at Christ Church Lutheran, Murray Bridge.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
(1 Peter 1:3 NJB)

Myanmar – Paletwa Church Project

In the past week we have received very encouraging reports from Pastor James, Myanmar Lutheran Church regarding the Paletwa Church Project with materials purchased to start the community church building project. Paletwa township is the largest city in the lower Chin State where people displaced by the ongoing civil war seek shelter, food and support.

Pastor James sends deep and sincere thanks to the generous support of the Murray Bridge Lutheran community for their support. We need to raise a further \$2600 and we currently have \$1720-00.

If you would like to donate to this very worthy project please do so by Fri 31st July earmarked to '**Paletwa Church Project – Myanmar**'. \$880-00 is required to complete the fundraising.

Ian & Dianne Kluge – 0427 313537 Mob any questions.



Growing
FAITH
at home

26 July 2020

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jesus is the greatest treasure!

Devotions

Daily Bible Readings

S	Matthew 13:31-33,44-52	Parables of the kingdom
M	Phillipians 3:7-11	Nothing compares
T	Matthew 6:19-21	Treasures in heaven
W	1 Timothy 6:17-19	Lay up treasure
T	Genesis 29:15-28	Jacob and Rachel
F	Romans 8:26-39	More than conquerors
S	Psalms 145:8-21	The Lord is righteous
S	Matthew 14:13-21	Jesus feeds five thousand

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

Rituals and Traditions

PRAYER

Lord God, we love you. Please help us to trust this day that you are working for good in all things. Amen.

BLESSING

May God's love hold you tight. May he give you faith to trust in his love, now and always.

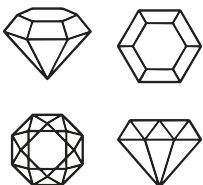
Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

Jesus told a parable about a man who found a treasure hidden in the field and then sold everything he had to buy that field. What would you be willing to give up everything to have?

2

How precious is Jesus to you?
How precious are you to him?



Caring Conversations



Sundays after Pentecost

GREEN is a sign of life and nature and as such represents growth, life and hope.

Creative Response

St Paul tells us that God is always at work for the good of everyone who loves him, even when times are difficult or when we can't understand his workings (Romans 8:28).

In your home devotional times this week, make a list of the ways you have experienced God working for good in your lives, even in the hard times.

Say a prayer of thanks to God for his never-ending love.



mealtime prayer

Our hands we fold, our heads we bow. For food and drink, we thank God now. Amen.

verse for the week

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

MATTHEW 13:44

Service

Invite some people to join you in a treasure hunt. Make clues that take people to different locations. Use Bible verses if you can. Conclude the hunt by finding a Bible and share why Jesus is the greatest treasure.



Worship Update

At our leadership meeting on Monday night, after discussion it was decided that we would hold services throughout August, commencing at 9.30 am with morning tea. The first 3 Sundays will be similar format to last Sunday with Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays. The fourth Sunday will be a more traditional format also with Holy Communion. Details for the fifth Sunday will be communicated as it gets closer. We will continue to gather in the hall at this stage as it is easier to clean, monitoring government regulations as time goes on. Subject to government regulations we plan to hold a gathering on the fourth Friday in August commencing at 6.00 pm with a tea.

Music Ministry will continue to be on the 2nd Sunday of each month - presently online, we will advise when that changes.

We believe that God is leading us to grow our small group ministry and will be talking to Pastor Peter Steike for guidance with this. We continue to pray, trusting God to lead us in the direction He has planned for us.

Details going forward will be announced after next leadership meeting and depend on what the government regulations permit.

Yours in Christ

Warren Doecke

Chairperson, Christ Church Leadership Team

Gathering in the Hall July 2020

Part of the process to return to worship has involved submitting a **COVID Safe Plan** to the State Government on how we will manage attendance at Church and other areas of our facilities. Copies can be found displayed in the Church, the Hall and the Office.

It is especially important that we all follow this plan and the procedures and direction given to you, when attending Church or other activities.

Anyone who is feeling unwell, will not be allowed to attend the service. While this may sound harsh, it is important that we ALL follow the current procedures. **If you wake up and are feeling unwell on the day, you MUST NOT ATTEND the service.**

Social distancing (1.5m) is to be observed on all of the church premises, especially on entering buildings and when inside buildings. **Reminder that there is to be no handshakes or hugs.**

We may have up to 143 people in the hall, only if it is required we can livestream the service into the Church

Requirements from our COVID Safe Plan

Tea & Coffee: please bring your own ready made tea & coffee, Kitchen will be closed

When you arrive you must use the hand sanitiser

We are required to keep a record of the names and contact details of all attending the service. You will need to sign in with your name and contact phone number before you enter the hall.

Chairs have been set out at appropriate distancing. Households may move their chairs closer together otherwise they are not to be moved.

The offering will be a retiring offering

At the conclusion of the service we are required to disinfect the frequently touched surfaces, including chair backs, door handles, railings, offering baskets, toilet facilities and any other surfaces that may have been touched by multiple people.