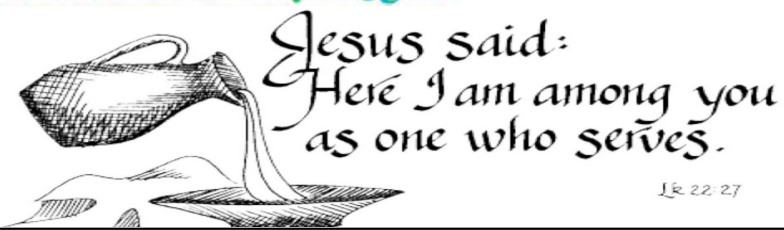


Thank you to everyone who is helping in any way with our worship and outreach.

What a blessing you all are!

Anyone would like to be involved in any aspect, we would love to hear from you please contact the office.

Your Help will be appreciated!



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Monarto Secretary	Raelene Wegener	8538 5444

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Treasurer	Cynthia Frahn	0419 826 707
Church Secretary	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



2020 Christmas
Next bulletin 10th January



WISHING YOU
AN ABUNDANTLY
BLESSED HOLIDAY
SEASON!

FROM THE FULLNESS OF
GRACE WE HAVE ALL
RECEIVED ONE BLESSING
AFTER ANOTHER.
JOHN 1:16

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

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Pastoral Call Process

Notes from the Pre Call meeting are available from the office - \$5 for printed copy (over 100 pages in colour) or emailed or put onto USB

The next step from our 1st Pre-call meeting held Mon 7th Dec is to establish a Call Committee. This will consist of 4-5 people from the Leadership Team, 4-5 people from the Congregation & 1 from Monarto.

Leadership would like to invite nominations of congregation members for consideration to that committee, to be submitted by Fri 8th Jan, using a paper "Nominations Form" available at worship services or from the Church Office & placed in an envelope addressed to Congregational Secretary, Cheryl Doecke via the Church Office. We would like to ensure a diverse representative of age & gender be represented on this committee. Final committee members to be ratified at a Congregational meeting at a future date to be decided.

Combined Leadership Meeting with Holy Cross

A combined Leadership Meeting between Christ Church & Holy Cross will be held Mon 18th Jan, facilitated by Pastor Stephen Schultz.

The AGM for 2021 will be held on Sunday 14th March.

Could everyone who provides a report for the AGM please have them into the office by Sunday 14th February, thankyou.

Emergency Contact Details

Now that we are in Pastoral vacancy can you please note that Warren Doecke (Chairperson) will be the after hours emergency contact person. If you wish to speak to someone in regards to any Urgent Pastoral needs you can contact him on 0417 804 663 & he can assist you.

Church Office Hours over Christmas

The Church office will be closed from 12pm on Thursday 24th December & reopen on Monday 4th January, 9am.

Christ Church Rosters

Grounds DECEMBER - ???

25th Dec MORE REQUIRED

COVID-Marshal	Kathy Franklin, Yvonne Stiller		
Elder Assist	CHURCH -Warren Doecke		
	Hall– Delton Schiller, Bob Martin		
Wardens	David & Joy Lienert		
Greeters	Phil & Cheryl Miegel, Coral Coulter, Cheryl Doecke		
	Dawne Schmerl		
	David Pech	Video	Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Cheryl Doecke	Counters	Basil Schubert

27th Dec

COVID-Marshal	Gary & Chris Beaglehall,		
Elder Assist	Bob Martin, Denise Lohmeyer		
	Hall—Graham Schubert, Warren Doecke		
Wardens	Brenton & Lorraine Doecke		
Greeters	Coral Coulter, Coralie Matiner,		
	Cheryl Doecke, Bob Martin		
Tea & Coffee	Joyce Herrmann, Lorna Penhall, Doreen Borchardt		
	Wes Taylor	Video	Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Joan Martin	Counters	Marie Mueller
Water & Care	Ross Herrmann		

3rd Jan

Grounds DECEMBER - ???

COVID-Marshal	Kathy Franklin, Yvonne Stiller,		
Elder Assist	Denise Lohmeyer		
Wardens	David Lienert		
Greeters	Val Spencer, Helen Visser, Gary Beaglehall		
Tea & Coffee	Chris Beaglehall, Dianne Kluge		
		Video	Ron Jericho
Counters	Gerry Korzeba	Water & Care	Harry & Inez Schulte

10th Jan

COVID-Marshal	Gloria Pohl & Carl Beaglehall,		
Elder Assist	Graham Schubert, Warren Doecke		
Wardens	Gloria Pohl & Yvonne Stiller		
Greeters	David & Ann Doecke, Joyce Pope, Joan Bahr,		
	Cheryl Doecke		
Tea & Coffee	Ross & Merle Herrmann		
	David Pech	Video	Ron Jericho
Data Projector	Cheryl Doecke	Counters	Basil Schubert
Water & Care	Harry & Inez Schulte		

All Church Activities are Dependent on Restrictions

Coming Events *(please advise the office of any changes)*

Teen Challenge closed Wed 23rd Dec to Wed 13th Jan Inclusive

Office Closed from 25th Dec to 1st Jan Inclusive

Christmas Day

25th	9am	Christ Church
	10:30am	Monarto
Sun 27th	9am	Monarto
	9:30am	Christ Church - Traditional

Wed 30th **Special requests for Roster due**

January

Sun 3rd	9:30am	Christ Church
	10:30am	Monarto
Fri 8th	Nominations for Pre Call Committee due	
Sun 10th	9am	Monarto
	9:30am	Christ Church, Pastor Tim's farewell
Mon 11th	10am	Ladies Guild Committee, Holy Cross
Sun 17th	9:30am	Christ Church
	10:30am	Monarto
Mon 18th	7pm	Combined Leaders meet with Holy Cross
Sun 24th	9am	Monarto
	9:30am	Christ Church
Mon 25th	7:40pm	Leadership meet, Ed Cen
Sun 31st	9am	Monarto
	9:30am	Christ Church

March

Sun 14th Christ Church AGM

Pastor Tim's Final Service – forwarded from Nov 22nd

Now that COVID-19 restrictions have eased Pastor Tim's farewell service will be held on Sunday 10th January followed by Morning Tea

Nominations for 2021

The nominations committee will be actively seeking nominations for vacant positions early in the new year. Please pray about the future leadership direction of our congregation.

Worship Services for January

Worship Services for January will continue to be held in a similar format mainly based in the JD Hall, commencing at 9.30am. Please see worship service updates as they appear in the bulletin.

Under the current Covid-19 restrictions you will NOT be required to book-in to attend worship services. However please note that this may change.

Church Family Groups

Thank you to all those people who have recorded their names on the Church Family Groups indication forms a couple of months ago. We will be following up some more in the new year.

Take Away Packs over Christmas & New Year

The "Take Away" pack for Christmas & Sunday 27th Dec will be available on Tues 29th Dec from 11am.

The New Year "Take Away" pack will be available on Monday 4th Jan from, 11am

Please note that there will only be one **bulletin over the Christmas New Year period** available from Christmas Eve. The next bulletin after New Year will be available on the 10th January.

The Take Away Church and Worship Service DVD's will be available on each Monday morning (Tuesday for Christmas) from 11am from the cupboard outside the office - just look for the Christ Church Self Service TAKE AWAY sign.

COVID Requirements

Please watch out for the continual updates happening daily. We are abiding by our number allowances. If we experience another lockdown our services will be cancelled, we will not be contacting everyone so it is important that you keep up to date!

The restrictions are 1 person per 2m² at the moment so no bookings required.

The government requires all attending worship (including those involved with the running of worship) and other church-related activities to sign in with QR code on their phone or do a paper sign-in.


It is recommended everyone downloads the 'mySA GOV' app to their phone. For more info, please refer to <https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/business-and-work/covid-safe-check-in>

We will be there to assist with this on the day.

God Bless You All, Yvonne

**COVID Safe
Check-In**



 Download the mySA GOV app



Lutheran Men of Australia

December 2020 Christmas Editions
NEWSLETTER
is available.

Please contact the office if you want a copy.

Rosters

Its that time again.

Rosters will be done up to Mid March

Please let Yvonne know in the office when you are not available or any special requests by **Wed 30th December** by phone (leave message) or email *contact details on front of bulletin*

Thank you!



Urgent help required

with watering and
gardening roster.

Please contact the office
to advise how YOU
can assist

**For Christ Church Service times please see
Coming Events**

Check our Facebook Page
for the latest Take Away



Christ Church Lutheran Church
YouTube channel (subscribe for easy access)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckuwYNgubh8UFafjU7bFtKA>

Christ Church Web page:
<http://www.cclutheranmb.org.au/>

Music Ministry Online

(second Sunday of the month)

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

*Holy Cross hold a traditional service on the
1st & 3rd Sundays of the Month*

Please book in via their office 8532 4577

**For TV Options and Radio and Internet
options please contact the office for details**

LLL Calendars Available from the office or church

ROSTERS: Seeking people able to assist with the garden, and also with watering. Any offers will be greatly appreciated.

Together December Magazine is out now, pick up your copy

ALWS the Grace Project - back to school. Packs available from today. You can donate direct to ALWS or via the office in a marked envelope (place with offerings or drop it into the office.

Ladies Guild Committee meeting to be held on January 11th 2021 at 10am in Holy Cross meeting room

Christ Church Lutheran bookshop - if you require anything from our bookshop please contact Denise Lohmeyer direct



Take Away Church

Take Away Church packs and DVD's from the previous Sunday (kids packs also) are still available outside the office during every day. They are updated weekly and the new week's packs etc are available after 11am on Fridays.

Feel free to share these around.

Old packs and DVD's can be recycled.

Please leave in the box in the bottom of the cupboard.

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.



Monarto Rosters

Christmas Day 9am

Wardens: Colin & Raelene

27th Dec 9am

Wardens:

Reader: Haydn Hein

Cuppa: Terry Franklin

3rd Jan 10:30am

Wardens: Maxine Paech

Reader: Pam Hilton

10th Dec 9am

Wardens: Robert Thiele

Reader: Raelene Wegener



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LLL Interest Rate Change Notice

The LLL exists to support the mission of the LCA, it does this with the valuable support of its depositors. Ross Smith, CEO thanks you all for your support. Due to the low-interest rate environment the LLL will need to reduce the interest rate in the new year.

Effective on 1st January the rate will be 0.25%



2021 Devotion Book for a year 'Time Out For The Journey'

\$25 each

Contact Dennis Pfeiffer

Pray Continually 1 Thessalonians 5:17 NIV



Please Pray for... (Please note, before visiting check with family for any visitation allowances and/or restrictions)

Christ Church: Martha Aartsen, Lores Frahn, Audrey & Marcus Jaensch, Noleen Kluge, Irene Kuchel, Margaret Kuchel, Bryan Lees, Joy Lienert, Peter Paech, David Pech, Joyce Pope, Leo Schulz, Sandra Thiele, June Walker, Lesley Zadow & also for their Carers. And for Oscar Noye and Amelia & Josh Noye and Delton & Lynette Schiller

Holy Cross: Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Lila Grocke, Bert & Nita Hyam, Pat Jenke, Leila Koehler, Matt Kruschel, Joy Leighton, Margaret Pfeiffer, Jim & Marion Poole, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Reg Schwartz, Felicity Woods & also for their Carers.

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

Lerwin: Glad Hausler (CC), Stewart Jaensch (CC), Dorothy Klitscher (HC), Alice Kowald (HC), Betty Paech (HC)

Aminya Village, Mannum: Val Stevens (CC)

Golden Grove Helping Hand: Joyleen Rosenzweig (CC)
(209 The Golden Way, Golden Grove 5125)

Warner Close, Murray Bridge: Colleen Fawcett (CC)

Meningie Hosp Aged Care: Kurt Unger (HC)

Tailem Bend Hospital: Pat Gogel (HC), Bevan Schulz (HC)



Prayer of the Day:

Almighty and merciful God, we thank you for sending your Son to become human like us, so that we might become your children. Make us who trust in Jesus to be more and more like him. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Also Pray...

Lord, I thank You for coming to earth so You could redeem me. When I think of the extent to which You were willing to go in order to save me, it makes me want to shout, to celebrate, and to cry with thankfulness.

You love me so much, and I am so grateful for that love. Without You, I would still be lost and in sin.

But because of everything You have done for me, today I am free; my life is blessed; Jesus is my Lord; Heaven is my home; and Satan has no right to control me.

I will be eternally thankful to You for everything You did to save me! I pray this in Jesus' name!

Pray Continually

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations This Week

December		January	
25th	Beverly Frahn (CC)	1st	Barry Stoddart (HC)
	Erwin Rohrlach (HC)	2nd	Amelia Noye (CC)
	Glenda Schirmer (HC)	3rd	Tamra Lees (CC)
	Rosa Waltrovitz (HC)	5th	Noleen Kluge (CC)
26th	Norman Bensch (HC)	6th	Bryan Lees (CC)
27th	Jackson Koch (CC)	7th	Marlene Dunthorne (CC)
28th	Dennis Pfeiffer (CC)		Tania Klemm (CC)
29th	Roxanne Rowland (CC)	8th	Trent Mueller (CC)
31st	Sarah Doecke (CC)	9th	Greg Herrmann (HC)
	Estelle Lees (CC)	10th	Tyson Beitz (CC)
	Lynette Little (HC)		James Bissett (CC)
	Marlene Schubert (CC)		Colin Schenscher (CC)



Please pray for everyone celebrating their Baptismal Birthday

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





27 December 2020

FIRST SUNDAY
AFTER
CHRISTMAS

We praise God for
Christ's birth.

verse for the week
I have seen your
salvation which
you have prepared
for all people.
LUKE 2:30-31

Caring Conversations

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

1

Tell about when you waited a long time for something. What was it like waiting and what was it like when the waiting was over?

2

What were Simeon and Anna waiting for (Luke 2:25-38)? How did they react to seeing baby Jesus?

3

Imagine yourself in the place of Simeon and Anna. What would you say?

Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 2:22-40	Jesus presented in the temple
M	Isaiah 61:10-62:3	Rejoice in the Lord
T	Galatians 4:4-7	Adoption as God's children
W	Ecclesiastes 3:1-15	For everything a season
T	2 Corinthians 6:1-10	Now is the time of salvation
F	Isaiah 43:16-21	The Lord is doing a new thing
S	Psalms 148	All creation praises God
S	John 1:10-18	The word became human

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord God, thank you for Jesus, through whom we are adopted as your children. Let all you have made praise you! Amen.

BLESSING

May the Lord make you strong and wise, and bless you with God's saving grace.

Creative Response

Take time this New Year's Eve to reflect on the past year with family and friends. As the evening proceeds, share memories together.

Consider using the following questions:

- What were some good things that happened this past year?
- What were some challenges you faced?
- What are your hopes and concerns for the coming year?
- What have you learned from your experiences this past year and how does it connect with your faith in the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem?
- What commitments would you like to make for reading the Bible and to prayer in 2021?

Finish this time of conversation with prayer for one another, asking God to bless and care for one another, the church, and world in the coming year. End with the Lord's Prayer.



mealt ime prayer

Praise the Lord all children, women and men, for God gives us food for our bodies and Jesus as our saviour. Amen.

Service



In the temple in Jerusalem, Simeon and Anna encouraged and blessed two young, first-time parents, Mary and Joseph.

Contact parents with young children in your church or community and offer to carry out a household act of service. (e.g. Help out with cleaning, ironing or childcare so they can enjoy some time out together.)

