

ROSTERS

MONARTO:

2nd Oct Warden: R Thiele Reader: P. Hilton
 Cuppa: R Thiele

9th Oct Warden: Trevor,Joy,Tyson Reader: R Wegener

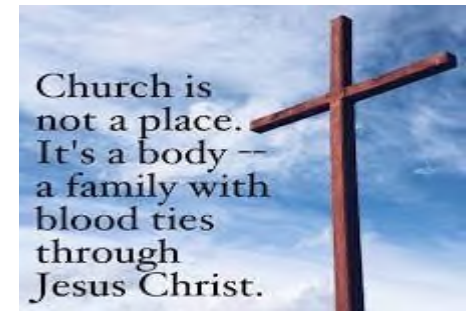
HOLY CROSS

Please note new times	2nd Oct 10.30am LR	9th Oct 9am
GREETERS	K Pfeiffer T Gogel	L Rosenzweig M Stienert
LS SERVER	N/A	Rick Paech
LECTOR:	A Pearce	J Kuchel
PA / MM	A Gates	B Kuchel
VC:	N/A	A Wegener
USHERS	C Schache A Pearce	R & D Paech
BELL	B Gerlach	B Kuchel
ALTAR GUILD	N/A	L Rosenzweig
MUSICIAN	H Carroll	R Packer E Paech
FLOWERS	R Packer	A Pearce
MORNING TEA	9.45am V Zerk M Stienert	C Schache S Kramer
MINISTRY TEAM	M Gerlach H Hueppauff	M Gerlach H Hueppauff

CHRIST CHURCH

	9am Church 2-Oct	10:30am JDH 2-Oct	10:30am JDH 9-Oct
Pastoral Assist	J Pohl W Doecke	I Kluge D Schiller	D Hampel G Schubert
Wardens	A Hampel M Mueller	G Schubert	P&V Jaensch
Greeters	R Schrapel J Bahr	L&B Zadow	J Traeger Y Stiller
Tea/ Coffee	D Kluge C Beauglehall		R&M Herrmann
PA	G Beauglehall	????	Roger H
Data Projector	G Pohl	Y Stiller	C Doecke
Reader	C Coulter	L Zadow	G Beauglehall
Organist	Coralie		
Video	Ron J	Ron J	Ron J
Flowers	R Schrapel		C Doecke
Counter	B Schubert	V Jaensch	G Korzeba
Grounds Roster	J&G Pohl		
Water & Care	J Schirmer		Y Koch

Murray Valley Lutheran CommUnity



Christ Church

31 Swanport Rd
Murray Bridge
8532 6553

Holy Cross

31 Florence St
Murray Bridge
8532 4577

Zion Monarto

427 Schenscher Rd
Monarto
contact Christ Church

Sunday 2nd October

9.00am Monarto HC (*morning tea after service*)
 9.00am Christ Church HC (Church) *Coffee from 10am*
 10.30am Christ Church HC (Hall)
 10.30am Holy Cross LR (*morning tea from 9.45am*)

Sunday 9th October

9.00am Holy Cross HC—*morning tea after service*
 10.30am Christ Church HC (Hall) *Coffee from 10am*
 10.30am Monarto LR

Offices closed on Monday 2nd October (*public holiday*)
Pastors Conference 11th—13th October—both Pastors away

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Pastor Paul Calnan contact details: Mobile 0417 466 611,
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 5 Marchand St, Murray Bridge Ph 8532 6553
 email: christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au
 Website: www.cclutheranmb.org.au

Holy Cross office hours: Tues, Wed, 9.30-1.30pm; Thurs, Fri 9-2pm
Closed Monday. 31 Florence St, Murray Bridge. Ph 8532 4577.
 Email: hcoffice@internode.on.net

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PRAYER:

✠ Faithful God, in whom we place our trust and hope, we pray for our community here in Murray Bridge and surrounding areas, help us to value all members in our community. We pray for your healing presence for all who are in trouble or distress. Increase in us the spirit of love to help build a community of welcome and care.

Please Pray for the following people and their carers:

Martha Aartsen, Stella Altmann, Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Tony & Rosey Budarick, Olga Burgemeister, Loes Frahn, John Fournier, Pastor Andy Gierus, Lila Grocke, Maxine Gogler, Trevor & Kyle Hage, Bert & Nita Hyam, Flo Kerkham, Glen Koop, Barb Kretschmer, Irene Kuchel, Bryan Lees, Joy Leighton, Erin, Travis, Cooper, Brady & Taylor Lienert, Joy Lienert, Lynette & Terry Little, Andy & Colleen Nicholls, Brenda O'Reilly, Jim Poole, Jan Richards, Erwin Rohrlach, Carlene Schache, Neil Schubert, Vena Shinnick, Barbara Taylor, Sandra Thiele, Clarita Venn, Christine Vigar, Rosa Waltrovitz, June Walker, Jeannette Zanker.

Resthaven: Norm Bensch, Pat Jenke, Joan Kluge, Leila Koehler, Dot Noller, Murray Piltz, Reg Schwartz.

Lerwin: Glad Hausler, Stewart Jaensch, Margaret Jenke, Alice Kowald, Eric Kuss, Betty Paech, Stan and Lorna Peltz, Margaret Warnest.

Murray Bridge Hospital: Margaret Kuchel

Craigmore Resthaven: Ivy Roennfeldt

Golden Grove Helping Hand: Joyleen Rosenzweig

Meningie Hospital Aged Care: Kurt Unger, Felicity Woods

St Paul's Aged Care, Hahndorf: Margaret Pfeiffer

Tailem Bend Hospital: Bevan Schulz

MVLC Baptismal Birthday Celebrations

2nd	Rowan Pfeiffer		6th...	Brett Wegener
	Anthony Pope			Malcolm Zwar
3rd	Kenneth Graetz		7th	Karen Altmann
4th	Adrian Burgess			Stan Peltz
5th	Courtney Merrett		8th	Neil Kuchel
6th	Lauren Miegel			Denise Lohmeyer
	Amalia Barolo			Nigel Pfeiffer
	Esther McIntyre			Jean Molnar
			9th	Caitlin Wohlfeil

If you would like to be included in our Prayers above or have your Birthday, Anniversary or any other special occasion announced in the fortnightly Newsletter, please email or call your church office.

Teen Challenge is closed during the School Holidays from 3rd—14th Oct (inclusive) & reopens on 17th October

Diary Dates:

2nd Oct	Daylight Saving starts—put clocks forward an hour
3rd Oct	Public holiday— Church Offices Closed
4th Oct	4pm HC Ministry Team meets 7:30pm HC Church Council meets
6th Oct	4.00pm CC Pastoral Assistants at Ed Centre
11th Oct	1pm HC Musicians Meeting 3pm HC Worship Team meeting
12th Oct	9.30am Senior Care Ed Centre Christ Church 1.15pm MVLC Women's Guild—Concordia Hall
13th Oct	1.30pm Thursday Communion—JD Hall
18th Oct	7pm Combined Worship Team meeting—Holy Cross
21st Oct	6.30pm Mens Shed at Jeff Henschke's—more info in newsletter
23rd Oct	5pm Lutheran Homes AGM Village Centre Owl Drive ~ more info in newsletter

Weekly:

Mon:	9:30am	Cards and Coffee, Ed Centre, Christ Church
	10am	Bible Study, Holy Cross resumes 17th October
Tues:	10am	Bible Study, Ed Centre, Christ Church
Wed:	9:30am	Crafty Capers, Holy Cross resumes 17th October
	4pm	MVLC Prayer Time , Christ Church (in the church)
Fri:	10am	Time Out at 10 ~ September JD Hall
Sat:	1pm	Cards in Concordia Hall

REG:

Christ Church
BSB 704942
ACC# 100311504

Holy Cross
BSB 704942
ACC# 51176

Music Ministry
BSB 704942
ACC# 100828957

2nd OCTOBER — READINGS and HYMNS/SONGS:

Readings: (CC & HC) Habakkuk 1:1-4; (Mon) Isaiah 11:1-5; (HC & Mon) 2 Timothy 1:1-14; (CC) 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:5-10

Songs: **Christ Church: 9am Church:** Lord of all creation; Faith is a living power from Heaven; What shall I give to God, my Saviour; A new heart create in me; Forth in Thy name, O Lord I go. **10:30 Hall:** Yet not I but through Christ; God will make a way; God is for us; Saved my soul.

Holy Cross : Part of the family; Glory be to God in heaven; Come, Lord Jesus come; God of creation; He set me free

Monarto: Give us hearts; Breathe on me breath of God; These I lay down; Forth in Thy name.

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



MORE THAN A CLEANUP

There it was, a roadside stop with a difference. Situated by the side of a busy motorway, it called out, "Hey! You need to stop here and enjoy what I have to offer." So enticed by what we saw, we stopped. It became evident that this was no ordinary roadside toilet stop. Immaculate lawns, a children's playground, and a unique information board extolling the local features, while a cleverly designed section explained the local indigenous peoples' heritage, customs and connection to the area. And the toilets! Shiny clean with plenty of toilet paper and hand towelling. While no doubt the planning and construction of this facility had been done by some government authority, the dedication of this man pictured above made it sparkle and stand out. He was actually wiping down bench seats, polishing toilet door handles and washing out the bin before replacing the new bags. He was friendly and explained how he enjoyed his work as it helped travellers enjoy their day.

We all need the rubbish taken out of our lives to "enjoy the day" better!

Unfortunately, we all have some rubbish sometimes blown into our lives, sometimes dumped, which, no matter how hard we try, still clings and hangs on to spoil the day. Words can tear apart once healthy and caring relationships. Financial worries burden and bow down a life.

Then there are the haunting thoughts of past actions, always lurking like mould in the corner. Thoughts from the past cloud a life created to be filled with joy and happiness. A life that looks forward with anticipation, not backward with dread from a continuous accusing conscience. Accusing and resistant as if never to be eradicated.

"But if we tell God we are sorry, he will keep his promise and do what is right: he will forgive us our wrongs and purify us from all our wrongdoing." (**John 1:9**). With these words, God of the Bible, filled with love for all people is offering to clean out the garbage, the mould from our lives. He will not only clean out the recurring thoughts we can't get rid of, but he also wants to shine our lives with new thoughts, a new attitude, and a new spirit of thankfulness and love, first toward God, then to the people around us. Think about it. Then just like the keeper of the roadside stop who caused people to stop and enjoy, your life can cause people to stop and enjoy what God has to offer.

God bless,
Kevin.



Growing
FAITH
at home

2nd October 2022
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST – PROPER 22
Faith that overcomes

Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Have you ever planted a seed and watched it grow? Describe what happened.

2

Why is it sometimes difficult to trust God in hard times?

3

Jesus compared faith to a small seed. In what ways is faith like a seed?



Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

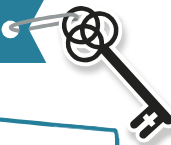
S	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed
M	Mark 11:12-14, 20-24	Faith that moves mountains
T	2 Timothy 1: 1-14	Fan into flame the gift of God
W	1 John 5:1-5, 13-15	Faith overcomes the world
T	James 1:2-12	Faith produces endurance
F	Lamentations 3: 19-26	I have hope
S	Psalms 37: 1-9	Hope in the Lord
S	Luke 17:11-19	One leper gives thanks to God



TALK

Talk about the Bible verse. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord God, help us not to be afraid to tell others about you. Give us a spirit of power, love and self-control. Amen.



BLESS

(Name) Child of God, receive the crown of life that God has promised.

Sundays after Pentecost

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

Creative Response

Fill a container with potting soil and plant some flower seeds (at least one for each member of your household).

Place the container on your mealtime table or home altar area.

Each day pray for each member of your household by name, asking God to grow them in faith.

Watch your flower pot for signs of life.

Tend to the plant as you tend to your faith.



mealtime prayer

Thanks we give to God above, for strength and health and those we love. Amen.

verse for the week

For the spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.

2 TIMOTHY 1: 7

Service



Plant some seeds. Watch carefully for signs of life! (Hint: alfalfa grows quickly on cotton wool!)

There are many people in our churches who serve as mustard seeds – they do many little things that others may not notice but add up to making a big difference.

Think of someone in your congregation who fits this description. Prepare a small gift of appreciation to give them.

**Murray Valley
Lutheran
Community**

CommUnity Chatter

Sunday 2nd October 2022

Christ Church Lutheran
31 Swanport Rd
Murray Bridge

Holy Cross Lutheran
31 Florence St
Murray Bridge

Zion Monarto
427 Schenscher Road
Monarto

1 church 3 worship places!

*We want everyone in the Murray Bridge regional communities
to know the love of Jesus and be in a saving relationship with Him.*

WELCOME... TO OUR 11TH BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND LEAVE YOU STRENGTHENED FOR THE

BULLETINS / NEWSLETTERS *PLEASE NOTE***** The bulletin with service / contacts / prayers and diary dates will come out weekly and the Newsletter bi-monthly (every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month). Thank you to everyone who has been contributing photos and articles for the newsletter, keep them coming in. Please remember to submit notices /articles/photos for the newsletter to either office in advance to ensure it is included for the date you require by 12pm the Wednesday preceding.

SERVICE TIMES: *PLEASE NOTE***** Monarto services are at 9am on the 1st and 3rd Sunday in the month and 10.30am on 2nd and 4th Sunday. Holy Cross services will be at 10.30am on 1st and 3rd Sunday and 9am on 2nd and 4th Sunday—Trading Table will now be held on the 4th Sunday in the month ;Christ Church service times will remain the same

ROSTERS: Holy Cross: October roster is now available—please let the office now if you are unavailable between November and Christmas./New Year. **Christ Church:** Please advise if you are unavailable for the next roster to end of Feb by Monday 17th Oct.

MUSIC MINISTRY: *Your opportunity to **Engage in the Mission** is now easier.*

As you continue your prayerful support, you are invited to be part of what we are we're are doing at Music Ministry with your financial support.

You're generosity, enables countless people in the wider community to experience God's blessings. The LLL account for Music Ministry is: BSB 704-942 Account #100828957

TIME OUT AT 10 on FRIDAYS

Drop the tools, forget the housework and come in for a coffee/tea and chat (bring plate of morning tea to share.) Come and join us for a chinwag and morning tea. October is at Concordia Hall

CHAPLAINS IN HOSPITALS Did you know that if you are in hospital and would like a visit from a Pastor or Chaplain you need to let the hospital staff know. Pastors and Chaplains are unable to visit unless you have expressed your wishes that you would like to see one.

LLL Interest Rates have increased **AGAIN**. The increases are set below:

LLL Savings Accounts New rate **1.10% per annum**. LLL Term Deposit New rate **1.70% per annum**

CONFIRMATION: If there is anyone interested in commencing pre communion/Step Up confirmation classes please contact Pastor David, Pastor Paul or the office staff.

MURRAY VALLEY LUTHERAN COMMUNITY The **Proposed MVLC Constitution** and the accompanying **Communication Document** are available from either office as a hard copy or can be emailed to you. Feedback for the Constitution needs to be to the **Task Group** by 24th October.

TANGARA MAGAZINE: The 2022 edition of Tangara – the student produced magazine of Australian Lutheran College – is available now - we have plenty of magazines. This year's theme verse is 1 Corinthians 12:20 – 'There are many parts yet one body'. Cost: \$10 per copy. Available from Christ Church and Holy Cross Offices.

YOUTH MEET every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month 6-8.30pm at JD Hall as well as the 4th Sunday of the month.

YOUTUBE LINKS TO VIEW OUR SERVICES ONLINE:

Holy Cross Murray Bridge <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1o3Cy-fGMCsEoTtn9kwkgQ>

Christ Church Murray Bridge <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGGccwtvzlvNOA302m1TjGw>

Music Ministry Online <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDoA2JRIV7vHNT0oceDkibg>

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

Music Ministry email: musicministrymb@gmail.com

Other Livestreamed Services etc – Go to LCA Church@Home: [https://www.lca.org.au/worship/wpp/churchhome/click on View@Home](https://www.lca.org.au/worship/wpp/churchhome/click%20on%20View%20at%20Home) to see services online, Pray@Home for prayer resources and Faith@Home for other options.

Sermons4Kids- Stories of the Bible: <https://sermons4kids.com/>

MVLC WEBSITE. Work on the Murray Valley Lutheran Community Website is well underway. The aim of the website is two-fold. One is being a place where members of the congregations can find all the information they need to be active members. The other is to be a first point of contact for anyone in the community who would like to learn about Jesus and know more about our church.

We already have some sermons and devotions, locations and ministry groups but what is needed now is more information from the congregations.

I'm looking for information about the bible study groups, the craft groups, the members who get together regularly for coffee, upcoming events, that sort of thing. If you facilitate such a group or event and would like more people to join in please email me at mvlcwebsite@gmail.com

It would be wonderful to have people who are willing to be contactable via the website either by phone or email so that people who want to join these groups can contact you for more information.

Also please let me know what is important for you to see on your website. The website can only be as good as the information you provide.

Thanking you in anticipation - Carolyn McLaughlin

THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICES ~ Services will be held on the 2nd (Christ Church) and 4th (Concordia Hall) Thursday of each month @ 1.30pm. Please note the next Thursday Communion at Christ Church is on 13th October and Concordia Hall Holy Cross on 27th October. Thank you to Monarto members for hosting Afternoon Tea on 29th September at Concordia Hall.

HELPERS WANTED — Afternoon Tea and Transport: If you can help set up and serve afternoon tea once a month to those attending Thursday Communion Service at Concordia Hall (4th Thursday in Month) and in John Dohler Hall (2nd Thursday in month) please let either office know. 2 people per service would be sufficient. Drivers wanted to pick up members who are unable to drive but wish to attend services or Thursday Communion. If you can assist; please let the office staff know.

LUTHERAN MEN OF AUSTRALIA NEWSLETTER The SEPTEMBER — NOVEMBER edition is available now. Copies available from the Offices or by email.

REFORMATION and ALL SAINTS services This year's **REFORMATION service** will be a combined MVLC Service at Unity College commencing at 10am on Sunday 30th October 2022; followed by lunch (more details to follow).

At 7pm there will be a **Sunday Evening Ecumenical Service** at Unity College to teach and prepare the Murray Bridge Community about All Saints Day. (It is proposed a light meal will be offered prior to the service – more details to come)

ALL SAINTS DAY SERVICE with HOLY COMMUNION will this year be held on **TUESDAY 1ST NOV at 7pm** in ALL the churches of Murray Bridge including Christ Church, Holy Cross and Monarto. The Pastors envisage a 24hour Vigil will be offered to all the community from 7pm Tuesday – 7pm Wednesday (more details to follow in next newsletter and church announcements.) It is envisaged that every church in Murray Bridge will be open during this period giving the community the opportunity to remember their loved ones. Holy Cross are organising a light supper following the 7pm Service on Tuesday 1st November, (other meals ie breakfast and lunch on Wednesday are being discussed) Members are asked to pray-fully consider being on a roster and/or assisting with meals.

Date for the diary:

Pastor David and Pastor Paul will be attending Pastor's Conference 11 - 13 October.

If you are in need of pastoral care during this period please contact Ian Kluge (CC) 0427 313 537, David Schirmer (HC) 0459 943 682 or the offices.

AGM Notice - Murray Bridge Lutheran Homes Inc"

The Annual General Meeting of the Murray Bridge Lutheran Homes Inc, is to be held on **Sunday 23rd October 2022 at 5pm at the Village Centre 51 Owl Drive**, Murray Bridge. Members are invited to attend.

(Members are all voting members of the Murray Valley Lutheran Community & Residents of Murray Bridge Lutheran Homes.)

The Annual "Book of Reports 2022" are available at the Church Offices.



FRI 21st Oct 6.30pm

SHED NIGHT

Jeff & Fran Henschke will host

"A Weber Special"

8 SCHWERDT Road Murray Bridge

"THE Jeff Henschke Story"

BYO chairs and drinks

RSVP: Wed 19th Oct

MATT WOITD: 0419 033 859

IAN KLUGE: 0427 313 537



Callington Show Sunday 30th October

We are catering for a Home baked food stall including Tea/Coffee with proceeds going to Damadi Children's Home in Myanmar via Asia Focus

Prayers are always welcome

We require help on the day following a recent retirement. *Please consider.*

Any monetary donations are gratefully accepted as packaging prices have escalated as well as

prices for baking ingredients.

Slices go down well! – Please leave whole

All cakes to be baked in our Foil containers - available from Coralie Mattner, Jan Brodde, Gloria Pohl or Christ Church Office.

More details next Community Chatter or Contact Gloria, Coralie or Jan

NOTE: All baked items must come with a list of ingredients for us to pack and label. Please name all your containers and they will be returned to you the following week.



MVLC Women's Guild

**Wed 12th October
@ 1.15pm**

Devotion: J Stiller

Musician: R Packer

Hostesses: C Schache, E Wegener

Gift Table: M Smith

Offering: Lutheran Media Ministry



ADVANCE NOTICE

THRIFT SHOP:10 — 12th November JDH Hall

If you are able to assist with setting up and manning the Thrift Shop please let the Christ Church Office know so rosters can be drawn up. Many hands make light work.



CAR BOOT SALE—Sat 12th November

Sites are \$10 each.

If you are having a spring clean and want to sell anything this is your chance for more info contact Christ Church office.



RECYCLING SHED: Spring is here again and it feels like a need for a spring clean.

Remember to think of the Holy Cross recycling project, Empty 10c deposit cans, bottles, etc are always welcome as these boost the funds earned through recycling.

Newspaper, shiny paper catalogues, cardboard, (think of all the packaging which is cardboard) as well as cartons in which new goods are delivered to you. Old books and magazines which are of no further use—torn and discoloured. All help to fill the bins.

The shed at the back of the church hall is open every Wednesday morning 9-10am for you to deliver your recyclables. If you have a quantity you would like collected this can be arranged. Contact Malcolm on 0458 755 314



CONDOLENCES

Sincere condolences to the family and friends of Leonard Linke who passed away recently. His funeral service was held at Gruenberg Lutheran Church, Moculta on Friday September 30th.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and God's blessings to David Schirmer who celebrated his 80th Birthday on September 28th September



BAPTISM

Stephanie Jayne Hill baptised at Holy Cross on Sunday 25th September.



Travis Jaensch, Christopher, Stephanie & Nicole Hill (Bensch) and Adaire Prosser



PALMER LUTHERAN CHURCH SA, 150th ANNIVERSARY 1872–2022
will be celebrated on Sunday 6 Nov 2022 at 11am followed by a pooled lunch.
All past members welcome. RSVP Cathy Lindner 0488 107 636 by 24 October 2022



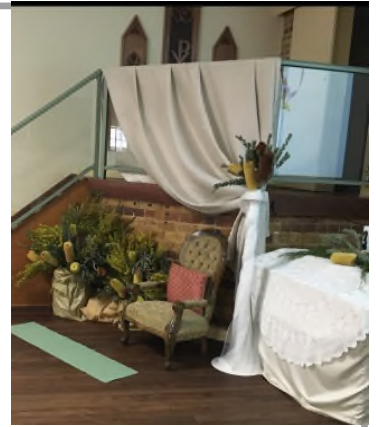
John Pohl was installed as a Pastoral Assistant at Christ Church on Sunday 18th Sept.

SMG Pastoral Care Worker applications for Coomandook Area School are now open. For details and application form please go to the SMG website <https://smg.asn.au/>

HIGH TEA HIGHLIGHTS

The 'Card Ladies' and Office Staff of Christ Church hosted a High Tea on 15 September, to celebrate the arrival of Spring. The hall was decorated with an abundance of native spring colours: Banksia, wattle and eucalyptus flowers. Our industrious hostesses laid the tables with fine china and there was an abundance of food. The menu included traditional cucumber sandwiches and scones with cream as well as delicate homemade cakes and pastries, fit for a queen. Most of the delicacies were prepared by the card ladies, but a few other volunteers also lent a hand.

The event was well supported by elegantly dressed ladies. Close to a hundred people enjoyed an afternoon of fun and laughter. Clips of the 'work behind the scenes' made for a lot of fun, as did the Sound of Music singalong



with Yvette at the helm! The competition was fierce. Prizes to be won during the afternoon, included a lovely quilt made by Sandra Healy, wooden items made by Graham Schubert, a hamper donated by Joyce Hermann and the lucky door prize donated by Yvonne Stiller and Janelle Traeger.

Thank you to the men who contributed to the success of the day; Ron Jericho made one of the behind-the-scenes clips, Gary Beaugelhall operated the sound system and Graham Schubert sold amazing hand-crafted wooden toys in aid of the replacement of the sound system in JD Hall. A massive thank you to all who participated and those who worked so hard to make the High Tea a success.



Murray Bridge Christian Community Mens Group

Gerald Woidt 76 and Maurice Wegener aged 86 giving a shearing demonstration to the 50 men who attended Rob Thiele's farm on Friday night 16th September.

The meal was provided by the Monarto men.

The men were entertained by Neil Hein and Rollo Hein who gave interesting accounts of snippets of their lives.

Thanks to John Pohl for this brief report and photo.



Handcrafted Wooden Toys

Graham Schubert still has some beautiful wooden toys for sale. Great gift ideas for the children or grandchildren. See Christ Church Office or at services.

STEPPING OUT IN FAITH

We were on holidays in Queensland when we noted a request from Velma Zerk, in the CommUnity Chatter for accommodation assistance for 2 trainee nurses doing their placement at Murray Bridge Hospital

We have a family home with a spare room with an ensuite. In the past we have provided accommodation for members of the Kiaros ministry team during their short course study week at Mobilong Prison. God has blessed us during their stays with us and we have been able to learn more about how God is working in their lives and in the prison ministry.

2 Student Nurses - *that is all we knew when we said we would have them stay with us for the 3 weeks*

In faith we knew God would lead and guide us as the 2 students came to join us. It was a big step in faith for them as well, as in their home country they do not step foot in a stranger's home. Having us in the past, both worked in the medical field and at Murray Bridge Hospital, we assured them that we understood what shift work was all about.

After the first day they were one of our family. Such delightful, loving young ladies!

Both girls were born in Nepal and are on a study visa to work in Australia.

They were not paid for the 3 weeks while they were here, so to supplement their incomes they work in aged care and disability care, generally having only one day off per fortnight while on placement.

We made a commitment that we would take them to work before 7am for the early shift and would bring them back at 9.30pm, after the late shift - not wanting them to be walking in the rain, cold or the dark streets of Murray Bridge.

We gave them the run of the kitchen. They provided all their own meals and cooked for us on many occasions. Beautiful Nepalese cuisine!

We had farm visits with both, experiencing sheep shearing for the first time, big tractors and many walking tracks. They enjoyed walking the wetlands and finding native orchids at Monarto.



We have learned a lot about their families in Nepal, their life as students in Australia including the strict rules and difficulties with visas to enable them to study and work in Australia.

During the 3 weeks we met some of their extended family members as well. A great hard-working bunch of dedicated workers, all willing to make Australia their home.

On their last evening with us we visited with Velma & Roy Zerk and enjoyed a lovely meal at the Chinese Restaurant.

We thank the Lord for bringing these young ladies into our lives and pray that they will be able to finish their Enrolled Nurse course and be able to extend their Visa to work here in Australia.

John & Gloria Pohl

MVLC Worship Times					
	Monarto	Holy Cross	Monarto	Holy Cross	9.30 Unity
	CC Church		CC Church		
	CC Hall	CC Hall	CC Hall	CC Hall (LR)	
	Holy Cross	Monarto	Holy Cross	Monarto	

OUT OF AFRICA

SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER, 12 noon

John Dohler Hall

Barbeque Lunch with an African Flavour

A personal Angus Buchan Summit Experience

Pastor David Kuss (Talk & Slideshow)

Film – Faith like Potatoes

\$15 per person

Lunch coffee and cake included plus:

Prizes to be won!



**Bookings: Yvonne/Janelle Tel: 8532 6553 or email
Christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au**



SHOEBOXES OF LOVE

A successful afternoon was had with 33 boxes filled for all different age groups. If you would like to assist with a donation to send the boxes to children in need then please forward to the CC Office. Shoeboxes can still be dropped into Christ Church office until 14th October. The shoeboxes will be blessed at Christ Church services on the 16th October.

Janelle and Yolette busy wrapping and packing shoeboxes

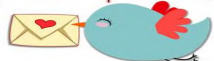


Kindy Pen Pals

The Kindy wish to grow the connection between the children and our congregations. Would you like to be a pen pal with one of the Kindy children? Please contact either Church Office if you would like to be

involved with connecting with our Kindy.

*let's be
pen pals*



Community Chamber will come out twice a month - 1st & 3rd Sundays. Please email or drop into either office any articles you wish to include, we love getting photos and hearing what is happening with the members of the Murray Valley Lutheran Community. If you are a business and would like to advertise with us please contact us, we will work out a deal.

Flourish by Five Seminar



Thursday October 27th 2022

6.00pm to 8.30pm

Uniting Church, Narooma Boulevard Murray Bridge

Programme

MC - Annette Korzeba

Deputy Mayor
Wayne Thorley

Message from Labor Senator,
Marielle Smith

Segment with **Molly O'Brien**
from Thrive by Five.

Speaker 1: **James Blanford**
DS - O/C Public Protection Branch SAPOL HQ

Speaker 2: **Professor Elspeth McInnes AM**
Uni SA

Speaker 3 : **Shane Maddocks**
CEO AC-Care

Introducing **Cathy Smith**
Murray Bridge Citizen of the Year 2022

Panel & Supper

Hear the facts,
grasp the vision
and add your
voice to see that
ALL pre-schoolers
in our community
have access to
positive learning
experiences.

GUEST SPEAKERS



James Blanford

DS - O/C Public Protection Branch SAPOL HQ

James joined the SA Police Force in 1980 as a cadet graduating as a Constable walking the beat in Adelaide in 1982. The next 9 years James worked on general duties patrols in and around Adelaide, Darlington and Glenelg. Since then, he has progressed through the ranks with focus areas including Criminal Investigation Branch, Drug Task Force, Anti-Corruption Branch and the Child Investigation Unit, James was transferred to Detective Superintendent in charge of the Public Protection Branch within the Crime Service 2021. James holds a Graduate Certificate in Applied Management and a Graduate Diploma in Public Administration (Policing)



Professor Elspeth McInnes

University of SA

I am a researcher of sociology in education with applied interests in early childhood and education contexts regarding trauma informed practice, developing wellbeing cultures, culturally responsive and inclusive approaches to care and education, child protection and supporting family safety, social policy and family wellbeing. With recent research projects I have engaged with education professionals in supporting children's social and emotional development and well-being in primary school and early childhood services, parents' experiences of services responding to children's harmful sexual behaviour.



Shane Maddocks

CEO AC-Care

Shane Maddocks commenced as CEO with ac.care in July 2017. Shane served Red Cross for five years as national lead for community development, place-based approaches and collective impact. He also served as state manager for Migration Support Programs and Youth Family and Community Programs. He was previously employed within the South Australian State Government involved in social issues: such as child protection, juvenile justice, early childhood health, education and care and in contributing to policy and legislation reform in the family services sector.

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