ROSTERS

CHIRST CHURCH

MONARTO:

6th Nov Warden: Haydn & Penne Reader: Barolo Cuppa: H&J Courtney

13th Nov Warden: C&R Wegener Reader: R Thiele

HOLY CROSS

Please note new times	6 th Nov 10.30am LR	13 th Nov 9am HC		9am Church 6-Nov	10:30am JDH 6-Nov	10:30am JDH 13-Nov
Greeters	A Pearce R Packer	R & E Waldhuter	Pastoral Assist	J Pohl D Hampel	W Doecke	D Doecke
LS Server	N/A	W Hein	Wardens	G Pohl	K Franklin Y Stiller	G Schubert B Mann
Lector:		W Hein	Greeters	M&R	M&G	D Borchardt
	T Hanckel	B Kuchel	Greeters	Herrmann	Schultz	L Penhall
PA / MM		Diracher	Tea/	C Beauglehall		M&R
VC:	N/A	J Kuchel	Coffee	J Traeger		Herrmann
Ushers	C Schache M Woidt	B Gerlach K Lienert	PA	A Hampel	T Lees	G Beauglehall
Bell	B Gerlach	R	Data Projector	G Beauglehall	C Doecke	C Beauglehall
Altar	N/A	Waldhuter	Reader	J Traeger	B Mann	D Doecke
Guild	N/A	L Rosenzweig	Organist	Coralie		
Musician	K Ahrens	R Packer M Gogler	Video		R Jericho	B Lablack
Flowers	C Schache	A Wiencke	Flowers	Y Kuchel		M Herrmann
Morning		A Pearce A Wiencke	Counter	B Schubert	V Jaensch	G Korzeba
Теа	ea		Grounds Roster	J&G Pohl	J&G Pohl	J&G Pohl
Ministry Team	D Steinborner	E & P Welke	Water & Care	Y Koch		H Schirmer



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 6th November

9am	Monarto - HC (morning tea following)		
9am Christ Church—LR (Church) (Coffee from 10am)			
10.30am Christ Church—LR (Hall)			
10.30am	Holy Cross—LR (morning tea from 9.45am)		
	Sunday 13th November		
9am	Holy Cross - HC (morning tea from 9.45am)		
10.30am	Christ Church (Hall) - HC & Baptism (Coffee from 10am)		
10.30am	Monarto—LR		

Pastor David is on holidays from 3rd—11th November and 14-16th November at a conference.

Please contact Pastor Paul or Ian Kluge (0427 313 537) in this time.

Pastor Paul is on holidays from 14th—20th November.

Please contact Pr David or David Schirmer 0459 943 682 in this time.

Pastor David Kuss contact details: Mobile: 0474 229 959, email david.kuss@lca.org.au

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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:

We give thanks for the love you have shown to the world through all your saints, and we celebrate our continuing communion with them whenever we worship. We remember the saints in heaven. Thank you for releasing them from the burden of sin and death in this life and for keeping your promise to them. We especially remember those from our community who have passed away in the past year. Give comfort to all those who grieve over loved ones no longer with us on earth. Give them the hope only your word can offer us.

Please Pray for the following people and their carers:

Martha Aartsen, Stella Altmann, Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Tony & Rosy Budarick, Olga Burgemeister, Lores Frahn, John Fournier, Pastor Andy Gierus, Maxine Gogler, Trevor & Kyle Hage, Bert & Nita Hyam, Flo Kerkham, Glen Koop, 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, Neil Schubert, Vena Shinnick, Barbara Taylor, Sandra Thiele, Clarita Venn, Christine Vigar, June Walker, Jeannette Zanker.

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

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

Murray Bridge Hospital: Lila Grocke,

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

REG: Christ Church BSB 704942 ACC# 100311504

Holy Cross BSB 704942 ACC# 51176

Music Ministry BSB 704942 ACC# 100828957

MVLC Baptismal Birthday Celebrations

7th Darren Piltz Wayne Rowland 8th Pam Doecke Delton Schiller 10th Amelia Eckermann Margaret Kleemann Edna Welke11th Brenton Klemm

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.

Diary Dates:

	7th Nov	7.30pm CC Property Committee Meeting
	8th Nov	1:30pm HC 100 Centenary Committee meet
		7.30pm HC Church Council Meeting
	9th Nov	9.30am CC Senior Care meeting - Ed Centre
		1.15pm MVLC Women's Guild - AGM, Concordia Hall
	10th Nov	1:30pm Communion Service at Christ Church
	13th Nov	MVLC Presentation at Holy Cross
	14-17 Nov	Blood Bank at JDH
	17th Nov	3pm Resthaven Communion Service
7pm CC Leadership Team meet		
	18th Nov	6pm Youth @ Cave
	19th Nov	8am MVLC Men's Pancake Breakfast @ Cynthia's D shed
	20th Nov	MVLC Presentation at Christ Church
	22nd Nov	4pm Combined Ministry/Pastoral Assistants - Concordia Hall
	27th Nov	5pm Youth Christmas Party @ Sandra Gate's house
	1st & 2nd Dec	: 11:15am Concordia Christmas Story and Bible presentations
	Preced	ded by Time Out at 10 on both days @ Concordia Hall
	Weekly	

Weekly:

Mon:	9:30am 10am	Cards and Coffee, Ed Centre, Christ Church Bible Study, Holy Cross			
Tues:	10am	Bible Study, Ed Centre, Christ Church			
Wed:	9:30am	Crafty Capers, Holy Cross—2 week break resumes on 16th Nov			
	4pm	MVLC Prayer Time, Christ Church (in the church)			
Fri:	10am	Time Out at 10 ~ November at JD Hall			
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All Welcome – come along and join in the fellowship of these groups Please note: Cut off time for notices for the bulletin is midday on Thursdays to either office. (Newsletter is Wednesday 10am)

6th November

Readings: <u>Christ Church& Monarto</u> *Job* 19:23-27*a*; 2 *Thessalonians* 2:1-5,13-17; *Luke* 20:27-38 <u>Holy Cross</u> *Ephesians* 1: 11-23; *Luke* 6: 20-31; *Isaiah* 65: 17-25

Songs: <u>Christ Church both</u> O for a thousand tongues to sing; For all the Saints; (9am) The Church's one foundation; I know that my Redeemer lives; Do Lord, O do Lord. (10:30am) Our God is an awesome God; My Redeemer lives; Saved my Soul. <u>Holy Cross</u>: Come Lord Jesus, come; Hosanna; The Servant King; There'll be peace; Lord of all hopefulness; Come let us praise our God <u>Monarto</u>: God himself is present; I know that my Redeemer lives; God and man at table are sat down; Jesus, lead thou on.

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



MAKING IT SMOOTH

"Life is rough!" "Life is full of ups and downs!" "Life is hard!" "Life can be dull!" How often have you heard those words?

Now consider this; Left to itself, concrete is rough, concrete has ups and downs, concrete is hard, concrete is dull.

Then into this picture comes the man with the power trowel (see above photo). He has been watching the state of the concrete as it changes, and when he judges the time is right, he starts to make the changes, and the concrete, under this new influence, begins to take on a new, more usable and finished form.

It is easy to feel "down" and despairing at what might happen in our lives. Sometimes we can also feel troubled if a friend, or in some cases people we don't know, living in another country is having a "rough" time; it is what makes us "human".

The concrete finisher watches and knows when the time is right to start making the change: not too soon or too late. The hardening concrete has no option about its future – that is how it is made.

We are different. In God's plans of love, he made us with a free mind. We can ignore his plans about straightening and smoothing the rough patches in life, or we can talk to him about it all. You can speak to him about helping you let him work in your life to smooth, polish and shine the way and at the time, in love, he has planned for you.

Remember, to encourage; he says, "For I know the plans I have for you," plans to prosper you and not to harm you, to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you." (Jeremiah 29:11-12) These words are also his "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:" (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

Concreters have "additives" they mix into the concrete to make it more able to do what it was designed for.

God has additives he offers to mix into your life. They are "charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, chastity (Galatians 5:22-23)

Remember this: when living is rough, everything seems to be all ups and downs, and it is all hard going; the God of love is just waiting for you to talk to him about it. You might be surprised at what rough patches he can smooth out and what additives he might use.

Cheers, and God bless you, Kevin.



SHARE

share your highs

and lows of the

day, or respond

to the following avestions:

What is

hope? What is

something you

hope for?

2

How does Jesus

give us hope?

What difference

does the hope

that Jesus gives

make to the way

we live our lives in

the world?

Conversations

Caring

6th November 2022

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - PROPER 27

Alive to God

sundays after Pentecost **GREEN** is a sign of life and nature and as such represents growth, life and hope.

Creative Response

November II is observed across

the world as a special day to

and other wars.

commemorate the sacrifice of soldiers and civilians in world wars I and II

It is called Remembrance Day in Australia,

and South Africa; Veterans Day in the USA;

Armistice Day in France, New Zealand and

Plan a household visit to a war memorial.

Spend a few moments in prayer for those

currently serving in the armed forces.

Talk about the sacrifice of others for the sake

many other Commonwealth countries.

of our peace and security.

Canada, United Kingdom; Poppy Day in Malta

verse for the week

He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive. LUKE 20:38



Paul prayed that the Thessalonians would be strengthened in every good word and deed.

Brainstorm a list of aood deeds which you can perform this week in your household.

Write these on small slips of paper and have each household member draw one out of a hat.

At the end of the week talk about the good deeds you have either carried out or been blessed to receive.

Growministries

mealtime prayer

God, you satisfy the hunger of those you love. Give us love for all who hunger. Amen.



Daily Bible Readings READ

S	Luke 20:27-38	Jesus speaks of the resurrection		
М	John 5:19-27	Life through the Son		
Т	Romans 6:5-11	Alive to God in Christ Jesus		
W	Romans 8:5-11	He will give life to your bodies		
Т	Romans 14:5-9	Lord of the dead and the living		
F	2 Thess 2:1-5,13-17	Stand firm		
S	Psalm 98	Shout for joy to the Lord		
S	Luke 21:5-19	Suffering for Jesus' sake		

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

Rituals and Traditions

PRAY

Lord Jesus, please help us to stand strong in faith and to hold tight to vour teachings. Amen.



Murray Valley Lutheran Community

CommUnity Chatter

Sunday 6th November 2022

Christ Church Lutheran 31 Swanport Rd Murray Bridge Holy Cross Lutheran 31 Florence St Murray Bridge

Zion Monarto 427 Schenscher Road Monarto

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 13TH NEWSLETTER.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND LEAVE YOU STRENGTHENED FOR THE CHALLENGES AND JOYS OF THE COMING WEEK!

BULLETINS / NEWSLETTERS ***PLEASE NOTE*** The bulletin with service / contacts / prayers and diary dates will come out weekly and the Newsletter 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.

<u>ROSTERS</u>: Holy Cross: Nov/Dec roster is now available—please let the office now if you are unavailable Jan-March 2023 as next roster is being worked on . **Christ Church**: New roster until end of Feb is now available .

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. November at JD Hall

<u>CHAPLAINS IN HOSPITALS</u> 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.

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

<u>Thursday Communion Services</u> ~ 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 service swill be at JD Hall, Christ Church ion 10th November and Concordia Hall, Holy Cross on 24th November.

<u>Helpers wanted — Afternoon Tea and Transport</u>: 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.

Please remember to turn off all lights and heaters if you are the last one leaving any of the buildings.

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. **OFFERING ENVELOPES**: Christ Church offering envelopes are now available. Please pick up from the office. Holy Cross envelopes will be available soon.

MURRAY VALLEY LUTHERAN COMMUNITY—MEETING HELD WED 26TH OCT 2022

At the recent MVLC Task Group meeting we discussed the limited verbal and written feedback that had been received on both the draft MVLC Constitution and Communication Document. It was decided that the constructive feedback indicated that the Task Group needed to continue the conversations with members to allow for a clearer understanding of the way forward.

The Task Group were encouraged by a good deal of positive support for the draft Constitution but also acknowledged that members had a number of questions and concerns that required more information. As a consequence; the Task Group has already been able to provide a verbal presentation to the Zion Monarto members following their Service on October 23rd. It is now planning to be at upcoming Services at both Holy Cross (13th Nov) and Christ Church (20th Nov, both Services). The presentation will provide further information around Property, Finance and Loss of Identity, areas highlighted during the feedback. The Task Group remains committed to work with members so they have as much information needed for an informed decision to be made at a time yet to be determined.

Please continue to keep the work of the MVLC Task Group in your prayers.

Joanne Pfeiffer Coordinator MVLC Task Group

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/UCGGccwtvzIvNOA302m1TjGw 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 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 mwlcwebsite@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

Below is the current Murray Valley Lutheran Community Worship schedule:

MVLC Worship Times	Qt	R nd	Sd	T th	Ú ^h
YNPP@	Monarto	Holy Cross	Monarto	Holy Cross	
YNPP@	CC Church		CC Church		
QPISP@	CC Hall	CC Hall	CC Hall	CC Hall (LR)	9.30 Unity
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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/

HOLY CROSS NOMINATIONS MEETING and SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday 27th November in Concordia Hall following the 9am service. Our current constitution states we muse have a Nominations meeting in November. This should be a quick, straight forward meeting due to the possibility of Murray Valley Lutheran Community (MVLC) being officially formed in 2023.

Holy Cross Church Council advises there will be a Special Congregational meeting following the Nominations meeting on 27th November to seek permission from Holy Cross members to used existing Church funds to build/construct the servery in Concordia Hall as we were unable to source any grants.

The Holy Cross Church Council is looking into what repairs or upgrades that need to be done on our 4 buildings to bring them up to a suitable building standard. We are looking into improvements to the Office complex to make it more viable, useable and safe for the current tenants that rent rooms and for the office staff and Pastors. Quotes are being collected and details will be made available in the very near future.

TEEN CHALLENGE: Are planning their Christmas Hamper program as well as their regular on going emergency food. They are seeking help in providing Christmas treats to those families and individuals who are struggling and unable to afford them, everyone deserves to eat a Christmas meal! Below is a list you may find helpful:

Christmas Puddings Custard & Jellies Christmas Cakes-any size Cans of Ham or Turkey

Soft Drinks or juices Cans of Fruit Salad

Cans of Beetroot Cans of Peas and corn Short Bread biscuits Christmas Lollies Fresh carrots and potatoes can be helpful

blood @ank QT Movember to the 17 Movember @ JD Hall

Got a bit of time this November? Time to give blood and change lives? 1 in 3 people in Murray Bridge will need blood and they need people like you to give it. We're rolling into town 14th - 17th November. Don't forget to pre-book your spot at donateblood.com.au on our mobile app or on 13 14 95.

The Blueprint Young Adults Term 4 Event will be held on Saturday 19th November

from 6 pm – 8 pm at Apex Park (616 Burbridge Road, West Beach) – BYO Tea followed by Mini Golf at West Beach Mini Golf (Military Road, West Beach) 8 pm - 10 pm Cost: \$14

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 2022 is at the Cameo Theatre, Sunday 20th

November @ 1:30pm; cost is \$20.00 (payable at Cinema). Afternoon tea will be in the Christ Church Meeting Room afterwards...if you would like to go please contact Yolette @478218769) for catering purposes.



MVLC Women's Guild meeting and AGM

Wed 9th November 1.15pm in Concordia Hall

Devotion: R Packer Musician: J Stiller Hostesses: L Penhall, M Haskell Gift Table: Y Lablack Offering: Hospital Cheer Bring Honey Biscuits





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

The LCA YEARBOOK will no longer be published. The decision has been reached for a number of reasons. While it is recognized that some people will miss having a physical LCA database, it should be noted that everyone with access to the LAMP2 online database will find essential information about congregations and church workers on that. In addition, contact details for congregations and their worship service times and locations will be readily available via the LCA website from early 2023.



As an acknowledgement of you support throughout the year

The Children and staff of Concordia Kindergarten

Cordially Invite you to join them

On

Thursday 1st or Friday 2nd of December

at 11:15am

At Holy Cross Church



They will present the Christmas Story through story, drama, and song.

Followed by Pastor David presenting the children with a Bible.

Purchased with your very generous donations

Please join us for morning tea in Concordia Hall at 10am on Thurs or Fri before the Kindy Presentation



Murray Bridge Christmas Carols

Sunday 4th Dec, 6:30pm, Sturt Reserve. Food stalls open from 5pm. Bring a chair/rug and enjoy this FREE event for the whole family! More information on posters in offices, JD and Concordia halls

THIS WEEK!

THRIFT SHOP: 10-12th Nov JDH Hall

Set up will be Wednesday from 1pm

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 Nov 9am to 12noon on Christ Church lawns Sites are \$10 each.

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

REFORMATION SERVICE at UNITY COLLEGE

144 people attended reformation service at The Steeple, Unity College on 30th November. Pastor Paul led the service and Pastor David provided us with an enlightening sermon. A highlight of the service was the reintroduction of the common cup for communion, individual cups are still available for those who wish to continue to use them, Narelle Bormann ably led the band. Thanks to Luke Wiencke and Yvonne Stiller who filled on the PA/MM desk at the last minute, Cheryl Miegel for providing the flowers and to everyone who assisted in making the service a success.



Luke at the Sound desk











ALL SAINTS services

Despite the cold wintery weather Christ Church and Holy Cross opened the churches during the day on All Saints Day and services happened at night. People still attended both churches during the day, spending time in prayer, reading bibles and lighting candles. Thank you to everyone who assisted on the day, made food and helped set up the churches.



Holy Cross



Memorial candles lit



Christ Church





Val Stiller aged 103 years came back to

Murray Bridge to visit her newest great, great

grandchildren Mylo and Evie



Thank You to everyone for suppor ng our Stall at Callington Show for Damadi Children's Home in Myanmar

Prayer time before starting our day brings us many blessings and we are forever grateful that we do have such a loving Heavenly Father who guides us in all we do! Therefore, we continue to go to Callington each year, to support the local community, provide fresh homemade goodies to those who love our country baking, for the great fellowship we receive throughout the day, and at the same time raising funds for the Damadi Children's home in Myanmar. Keeping our focus on why we do this drives us forward.

Since 2014 we have gathered quite a few customers who seek out our country baking especially the Jelly Cakes and other treats that we would not do without! We always participate in the Calli Trail Show Bags as this gives us an opportunity to share God's love in a small way - not always accepted by all the adults but loved by the children. We leave that with the Holy Spirit.



As you can see, we have a top spot for our stall, sheltering us from whatever the season may deliver, and we had all 4 seasons on Sunday!

When we started in **2014**, we were not undercover but thanks to Colin Wegener and the Show committee at the time they were able to spoil us with the great shelter. Our thanks to the Show committee for allowing us to use or special spot each year. We provide tables and chairs to sit and have a 'cuppa' with friends. This year we had some new chairs as our old ones were rusting.

A lot of work setting it all up but well worth the effort.



Our Team ready to go! (above) Our Nepalese Family from Adelaide came for a visit. (on right) 3pm our table is nearly empty!

The proceeds for the day were \$1422:90. With produce and crowd numbers down and packaging costs increased the monetary donations were welcome.

A special thankyou to Gary for your contribution over the last 6 years. We did miss you! To Polly O'Connor, Eunice Wegener and Merle Herman for allowing us to have a break and spend some time at the Show and for the two ladies that have not baked before or for a long time. Well done!

Thank you







BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Joan Kluge for reaching her 90th birthday on Saturday 22nd October 2022. Joan is settling in well at Resthaven Aged Care, Murray Bridge.





Thank you to members of my Church family who have given me cards **a**nd visits etc for my 70th birthday on 18th October. Also thank you for praying for me. God bless you all, love Sandra Thiele

CONDOLENCES

Sincere condolences to Mel and Margaret Kleemann on the recent passing of Mel's sister Rita Nitschke on 28/10/2022 - Resting in peace, fully in God's care.



Sincere condolences to Roy and Velma Zerk on the recent passing of Roy's brother Lawrie Zerk on 01/11/2022



Your kind expression of sympathy will always be remembered A big thank you to all our church family who have cared for us with prayers, visits, hugs, cards and calls on the sudden death of our son. God has honoured your prayers and we have been so blessed and uplifted by your care and thoughtfulness. Love from Ross & Merle Herrmann. David's funeral service can be viewed here: Video Link: https://vimeo.com/758652590

MURRAY BRIDGE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY MEN'S GROUP - by Matt Woidt

There was movement at Monarto ,for the word had got around, they came from far and wide on a cold, muddy, mid-SEPTEMBER Friday night.

Hosted by local MVLC farmer and Monarto champion bloke, Rob Thiele, 50 (strong) men gathered together from Murray Bridge, Monarto and surrounding areas.

The night kicked off with us meeting at Robs shearing shed (Oh the smell and scene brought back memories). We were treated with snacks and refreshments on arrival, a sheep counting competition, then entertained with shearing demonstrations by local MVLC members, Maurice Wegener and Gerald Woidt, 87 and 75 years old respectively (I hope I got this correct fellas). These guys are absolute guns a God given talent, born to shear sheep. A real inspiration.

Rob and local young champion farmer Nathan Wegener spoke to us about sheep, sheep breeding, the wool & shearing industry as a whole and our local home season. Again, God has gifted these men with a wealth of information and insight. If only our younger guys could hear some this.

After the shearing shed, we journeyed about a further 1km down the road to Rob's main farm. We were greeted by mud puddles, massive machinery, a warm fire and a very tidy, laid our implement shed. This set up was amazing. (I wonder if Rob, always keeps it like this???) Cheese platters, liquid refreshments and beautiful BBQ dinner of steaks, chicken kebabs and salads satisfied the hungry crowd for dinner.

An applicable devotion supplied by Pastor Paul and delivered by Ian kluge, based on John 10:14 "My sheep know Me" was given while we ate.

The highlight of the night was absolutely awesome. (I love my footy, so I wasn't complaining) Local Pallamana farmer & 1984 SANFL Norwood premiership ruckman and AFL Brisbane Bears player, NEIL HEIN, shared some of his story with us. From Pallamanna paddock, to 1984 Redlegs SANFL premiership team (1st SANFL team to ever win the flag from finishing 5th), to Coorara & the Brisbane Bears, to some of the great players he'd seen, played with and against NeWhat an amazing journey he shared, he told them he was Christian, and went church Sundays, what a witness for our God and our local area, what an adventure and experience he had as a young man. I could elaborate further, I'm sure Neil would be happy to share more any time.

Rollo Hein then entertained us with experiences of his life and local area. This bloke is amazing. A real blessing.

The night was rounded out with good fellowship, a few snacks, chats around the fire and 50 men engaging in the Lord's prayer, very powerful. The devil hates it.

Praise our God, another successful and enjoyable night had by all. Massive thank you to champion ROB THIELE, for hosting and arranging this event, activities and speakers. Special thanks to Trevor Hilton, Colin and Nathan Wegener, Neil Hein and all the Monarto men for putting on a ripper show . It was 1st class. Thanks also to our shearers and Special thanks to Ian Kluge and Graham Schubert for all they do.



CRAFTY CAPERS:

Are you and your crafty friends interested in joining a group of friendly enthusiastic ladies each Wednesday morning during the school term? They meet in the Sunday School rooms at Holy Cross for 'Chat and Do' and new ladies are always most welcome. This is a time of friendship while doing your own craft project and is an opportunity to maybe learn something new as someone is sure to be doing a craft of interest to you. Perhaps a problem you have encountered may be solved. For the card makers there is a variety of stamps available to use. Not crafty? Bring your daily puzzle to solve while enjoying a friendly chat. Or bring yourself at 9am to see what evolves. Contact Margaret 0458 755 314.

STAMPS FOR MISSION Don't forget to bring in your stamps - the sale of the used postage stamps raises thousands of dollars to support God's mission in the world. So far, \$479,700 has been raised!

Pastor Murray Smith (*son of Merrilyn Smith, member of Holy Cross*) and his wife Tracy received support to continue their mission work in Papua New Guinea.

RECYCLE & BE GREEN

In the October Lutheran on page 17 there is an article about becoming a greener congregation. In a very simple way the Murray Valley Lutheran Community could help create a greener environment with less landfill. Using the Churches recycling system is a start. Think of all the paper (junk mail, newspaper, magazines, general correspondence, etc) that is thrown out each week. Cardboard (any packaging — cereal boxes, medication packets (just block out the name), boxes from new items bought.

EASY— just put everything in a box and deliver to the recycling sheds. **Holy Cross** recycle shed open Wednesday 9-10am or Sunday morning. Should you have a quantity to donate in your garage or shed a pickup can be arranged. Phone Malcolm 0458755314. The one that really adds to funds raised is the 10c deposit CANS & BOTTLES plus tetra packs, Yukult bottles and the like. **Christ Church** open 24/7 for paper, magazines, cardboard etc.

THINK of the environment, think recycle shed, think how in some small way you can help the environment and at the same time do a little fundraising for the congregations.

Christ Church are selling their old chairs pictured above for \$10 each. If you would like to purchase any please contact Yvonne or Janelle at the Christ Church office. Community Cha er will come out twice a month - 1st & 3rd Sundays. Please email or drop into either office any articles you wish to include, we love ge ng photos and hearing what is happening with the members of the Murray Valley Lutheran CommUnity. If you are a business and would like to adver se with us please contact us, we will work out a deal.









