



WELCOME TO
St Mark's Lutheran Church
Epiphany 4 Sunday 3rd February

Please sign our guest book, if you are visiting today



DIVINE SERVICES

8.30am Traditional Service – LHS860, LH221, LH373, AT296

10.30am Contemporary Service with Holy Communion – Come Though Font, My Worth is Not in What I own, So You Would Come, Who You Say I Am, Speak O Lord, AT296, Forever

SERMON THEME – When God Calls Text: Jeremiah 1:4-10

- The call
- The objection
- The promise

BIBLE READINGS

📖 Jeremiah 1:4-10

📖 Psalm 71:1-6

📖 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

📖 Luke 4:21-30



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

M: Let us pray that we would receive God's word in faith.

C: Our Lord and God, we thank you for the blessing of your word, open our hearts and minds to receive it in faith, that we might come to know you more and serve you with the gifts you have first given us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*The Lutheran Church teaches that **HOLY COMMUNION** is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and drink to strengthen us in faith and service. This sacrament is for baptised Christians who repent of their sins, believe in Jesus as their only Saviour, and intend to live as God wants them to.*



If you have any questions please see an Elder or Pastor.

If you wish to receive Holy Communion from your pew, can you please confirm with the presiding Pastor, the Elder on duty, or one of the Ushers, before the service begins.

Allergy free communion wafers are available for people with an intolerance to dairy, gluten or wheat

DEVOTIONAL READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Mon 4th Matthew 6:1 – 6, 16 - 18

Tue 5th Matthew 6:7- 15

Wed 6th Matthew 6:19 -24



Thurs 7th Matthew 6:25 - 34

Fri 8th Matthew 7:1 -12

Sat 9th Psalm 138



Chapel Friday Mornings at 9am ALL WELCOME.

Weekly newsletters are available on the

St Mark's School website at www.stmarks.sa.edu.au Ph 8391 0444

PERSONAL PRAYERS: PRAYER LIST

Jill Walsh, recovering from surgery
 Linda Scholz, undergoing treatment
 Rex Hoepner who has a permanent place at Hahndorf Residential Care Facility now.
 Neil Launer. Ongoing complications. Rapid decline in his health.
 Charmaine Milburn having Carpal tunnel surgery this Tuesday Mt Barker Hosp



GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's Lutheran School:** Narelle Steffan, Sharon Steven, Heather Toma
- ❖ **People in Civil Authority:** Local State MP, Heysen, Josh Teague
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** LCA Secretary of Church, Ps Neville Otto
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** Trinity Lutheran Church, Springhead
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Mt Barker Salvation Army
- ❖ **Lutheran Church of Australia, International Mission.** Listed prayer points.
- ❖ LWA SA-NT Retreat this weekend at ALC

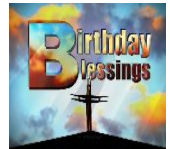
THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Feb 3rd ~ Vicki McNeil Feb 5th ~ Trevor Wegener

Feb 7th ~ Craig Kupke, Sienna Mibus, Michael Paech

Feb 9th ~ Annthea Francis

If you would like a special birthday or anniversary acknowledged in the bulletin, contact the office on 8391 1695 the week prior



BAPTISM WELCOME

We welcome the family and friends of Jasmine Hutchinson, who will be baptised at our second service. Our thoughts and prayers are with Jasmine, her parents Matt and Sharnie, and Godparents Isaac, Erin, Eden and Nathan on this very special day. The baptism lunch will take place in the church hall after service.

INSTALLATION WELCOME

We welcome our school staff and their families for our special service of installation and blessing. Alexander Haynes, Ellen Lyall and Kendall Pfeiffer, will be officially installed as new staff members. All staff, families and congregation members are invited to join in the installation lunch in the link after service.

UPCOMING BAPTISMS

We look forward to several baptisms at St Marks in the coming months. Each will occur as part of the 10:30am service. Please remember the following people and their families in your prayers: TBA–Aaliyah Fay Wurst, Feb 24th– Ava Emilie Mibus, Mar 3rd– Ethan Michael Moon.

MONTHLY MIDWEEK SERVICE

There will be a service on Wednesday 6th February 11am HC, followed by a shared lunch.

INSTALLATION & BLESSING, OFFICE BEARERS & CHURCH STAFF

During both services on Sunday Feb 10th, St Mark's Office Bearers and Staff for 2019 will be installed and blessed for their work in the year ahead. We encourage all Office Bearers to attend either service on this day.

FIRST COMMUNION

Our First Communion course will begin this Monday February 4th from 4-5pm at the church and run for 4/5 weeks. The Lutheran Church of Australia encourages children to be admitted to Communion at the 'earliest appropriate age' after baptism, while also upholding the need for appropriate instruction before and after the Sacrament is received. If you or your child is interested in receiving Communion at St Marks please speak to Pastor Ben ASAP.

PIPE ORGAN ENHANCEMENT

In preparation for the update of the organ to include a trumpet rank and other work to enhance the sound and performance, some visible changes will begin to be noticed. Upon advice from the organ builder Richard Larritt, the organ façade has been opened up to allow clearer sound performance and better balance throughout the church. You will notice that three sections of the timber façade have been removed and replaced by black saron **albeit only temporarily** to allow this testing to take place before any of the new work commences. The very positive test results (before and after) proved that the advice of Richard Larritt was indeed correct.



Permanent acoustically designed replacement material is about to be ordered and will be fitted as soon as it arrives. The new panels are of a flat 4mm black aluminum grill, laser drilled, not dissimilar to the perforations of the ceiling in the link. There have been some comments of late that the organ has sounded different and that summation is correct. A large regulated power supply has recently been installed to correct intermittent breakdowns which have been occurring during the past few years, and the additional power has now allowed all sections of the organ to operate at optimum performance. Updates will be provided when work commences. **Trevor Wegener.**

CHILDREN/YOUTH MINISTRIES 2019

St Mark's is blessed to have a vibrant children and youth ministry. These ministries are only possible thanks to the passion and servant-heart of leaders and helpers. We are looking for more people who would be willing to take on roles in the following ministries:

- **Sunday School** (every Sunday between services during term time): Teachers and helpers (on a roster basis)
- **JAFFA** (Sunday afternoon 2-3 times per term): Helpers
- **Senior Youth** (Usually Friday nights once a month): Helpers

Start dates for 2019: Sunday School: 3 Feb Youth: 22 Feb JAFFA: 3 March

If you are interested in being part of any of these teams, please chat to Emma Graetz (emmagraetz@gmail.com) or Pastor Ben.

OPEN DOOR BOOKSHOP

The Open Door bookshop will reopen Sun 10/2 in between services.

Please take time if interested in viewing the new stock. I'm always keen to know how the range can be improved especially if there are particular titles you would like ordered in.

As usual the card selection is available at anytime. Jane Hill

SOCIAL BIKE RIDING



Next bike ride is Saturday 9 February meeting at Laratinga Cafe 9.30. We'd love to see some new members. Gentle ride so suits most abilities. Contact Jane Hill 0417008133 for more details.

CHURCH LIBRARY

There are some more new Church Library books currently on display in the Link, many around the topic of Leadership. Please come and peruse the display and borrow anything of interest. Thanks for recording your loans in the book found in the Church Library cupboard. Many thanks to our generous congregational donors! *God's blessings, Lisa Grieger*



VISITING ROSTER 2019

Jenny Girdham and Roster creators, would like to hear from some volunteers to fill the visiting roster for 2019. Please consider participating in this role. Let Jenny know asap if you feel you and a friend can do this for a month or even for a shorter time. Jenny has a couple of people organized for February, but no one for the rest of the year yet. **March, April, May, July, August, Sept, October still vacant**

ABUNDANCE TABLE - 3RD February- today



The abundance table is held on the first Sunday of the month. Please consider how you can support this 'table'. We welcome new ideas or products you can donate for others to love/eat share etc!



FUNDRAISING PLANNING FOR 2019

- Our 'Fun, Food, and Fundraising' Committee, met for the first time last week to plan fundraising events for the year. Because we are keen to get some fresh new ideas, we encourage you give us your 'Light bulb' ideas, on the 'insert in last weeks bulletin and return it to Sue and Jim O'Higgins.
- **GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER? MARCH 2ND & 3RD** (Our first fundraiser function 2019) Inside this bulletin flyer advertising and instructions on how to participate



MandM's Thursday Feb 21st, 6.30pm, The Link. We will be planning our meetings for this year, so please come along to share ideas and catch up after the holidays. Please bring a plate of tea to share and BYO drinks.

VISUAL TEAM

Tuesday 5th Feb, 7pm, Meeting Room. If you would like to help with visual displays and ideas in the church for events coming up you are very welcome to come along (ie Harvest Thanksgiving, Easter etc). Feel free to bring along any ideas and suggestions.



MAINLY MUSIC

It's that time again when our activities start up again. So the Mainly Music roster is pinned up in the LINK for Term 1. If you have never had a turn at this and would like to give it a shot, please talk to Val Schild, Yvonne Menz or Chris Geue. They would be only too happy to explain what happens. We look forward to filling the roster as soon as we can to make sure this program runs smoothly. Thank you all in advance for your continued help.

CHURCH GARDEN MAINTENANCE

For many years Peter Schultz has been diligently working in the background, maintaining the gardens around the church in conjunction with his duties at St Marks school. Peter has recently indicated his desire to wind back his activities around the church grounds over the coming months. This creates an opportunity for members of the congregation to become involved and share some of the chores he undertook by spreading the workload in a small way. The Property Committee invite you to volunteer, for one or more of the following tasks

- Mowing church and manse lawns (* Possibly using the School ride on mower)
- Watering 7 tub plants
- Trim and/or spray lawn and footpath edges as required (every 3-4 weeks) Prune overhanging branches to driveway to school Spray weeds (including garden beds) every 2-3 weeks Prune dead flowers from Agapanthus at end of flowering Prune trees and shrubs to front, side & rear garden beds

The total time for all of these items took Peter approximately 2-3 hours per week so you can see one or two would not be a big commitment however it is important that they are done regularly to keep the grounds in good appearance Peter has indicated his willingness to groom new "apprentices" and pass on his vast knowledge

On behalf of the Property Committee and the Congregation I wish to thank Peter for for his past service and the tremendous work he has done over the years and wish him many relaxing years in retirement

Please give this your consideration and add your name to the list in the Link or phone me on 0448 066 821 and I would be happy to discuss the requirements with you

Yours in Christ, Allan Todd

'OUR' CAMBODIAN VILLAGE 2019

Start thinking about how you can contribute this year to our Cambodia Village. Last year we helped build a road among other things, which helped children get to school, and farmers to market so they could sell their goods bringing much needed funds for their families. Read the information on the notice board for more inspiring information about what 'life changing' things your donations contributed towards.



Start now with a generous heart, and fill your 'pink pigs' to overflowing, all year long.



MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Lead by Pastor Garry. 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. Held at Robert and Judith Paech's home 9 Silverwood Drive. Resumes 10.30am tomorrow (Monday 4th) Everybody welcome.

NOTICE BOARD

- Job Vacancies
- Latest Faith Family brochure is available in the foyer on the wall
- Latest Church Council Minutes
- LCA SA/NT Training - Professional Standards Workshops
- SMG newsletter
- Mainly Music Roster
- Donations to Cambodia
- Emergency Services Thanks letter and photo's
- Flyer advertising Contemporary dance/exercise class for seniors (seated) Beginning Tues 15th January 10 – 11am for 10 weeks
- Mission News (Sprau family) on Mission notice board in Link
- 'Accommodation in Adelaide' notice in last weeks bulletin is now altered & on notice board.
- A message from Lutherans for Life
- Blessed are the Peacemakers, Adelaide Workshop: Growing in a lifestyle of reconciliation, Tuesday 5 March 2019 and Wednesday 6 March 2019



LUTHERAN ARCHIVES

Lost horses, green parrots and elusive snakes.

Revisiting the reports sent back home by the first Hermannsburg missionaries: Kempe, Schwarz and Schulze. At the first Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA) meeting for 2019, on Monday 25th February, Bob Kempe will share some of the stories from the first complete translation of these early reports (1875-82). 7.30 pm, Bethlehem House, Sudholz Place in the city, gold coin donation & supper.

A MESSAGE FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

On December 5, the Greens introduced the Abortion Law Reform Act into the South Australian Parliament. The bill, if implemented in its current form, will impose the most liberal abortion laws across the nation. If passed, the bill will allow women to access abortion at any stage of their pregnancy, for any reason. If this concerns you, please consider writing to the Members of your Legislative Council (MLCs) or contacting us at lutheransforlife@gmail.com with your questions. The bill is listed for 27 February, so time is of the essence. 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' (Matthew 25:40). You may also like to attend the following community forum being put on by Australian Christian Lobby:

Re: Proposed South Australian Abortion Reform Bill Date - 4 February 2019 Time - 7pm
 Venue - Temple Christian College, Mile End Enquiries and RSVP - christopher.brohier@acl.org.au

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING INFORMATION

Attendance: Sunday 27th January 8.30am – 82 (HC – 67) 10.30am – 97 Total – 179

Offering plates:

Sunday 27th January \$2972.95 Redevelopment \$30.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK – 3rd Feb – 10th Feb 2019

Sun 3rd – Sunday Services Traditional 8.30amHC and Contemporary 10.30am

Mon 4th – 7.30pm, Worship Committee – at Leanne Mibus' home

Wed 6th – Office Open 9am – 1pm (Erica Launer)

– **Monthly midweek service 11am HC** followed by shared lunch.

Thurs 7th – Pastor's Day off

Fri 8th – Office Open 9 am – 1pm (Erica Launer)

Sun 10th – Sunday Services Traditional 8.30am and Contemporary 10.30amHC

ROSTERS		Office Bearers blessing	
DATE	Sunday Feb 3	Feb 10	Sunday Feb 17
Sunday	Epiphany 4	Epiphany 5	Epiphany 6
1st Reading	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)	Jeremiah 17:5-10
Ps /Canticle	Psalm 71:1-6	Psalm 138	Psalm 1
2nd Reading	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Gospel	Luke 4:21-30	Luke 5:1-11	Luke 6:17-26
1st SERVICE	8.30am HC	8.30am	8.30am HC
Elder/Pastor Ast	Rob Paech	Matt Hutchinson	Allen Meissner
Ushers	D & V Schild	D & A Shillabeer	K & J Brinkmann
Ushers cont...			
Greeters	B & J Bartholomeaus	F Harms	A Francis
Reading 1 & 2	Jon Footner	R & J Paech	Stan Wurst
Music	Lisa Grieger	Trevor Wegener	Lisa Grieger
Sound	Simon Milburn	David Schild	Mark Tohl
Computer	Judith Paech	Val Schild	Annthea Francis
2nd SERVICE	10.30-School Installation	10.30am HC	10.30am
Elder/Pastor Ast	Jim O'Higgins	Craig Kupke	Adrian Curtis
Ushers	M Pfeiffer	K & W Przibilla	J & S Heyne
Ushers cont...	G Turner		
Greeters	D Scott	G & L Marshall	V McNeil
Reading 1 & 2	Cecil family	Sharon Steven	Hutchinson family
Music	Youth Band	Chris Geue	Casey Work
Sound	Steve Crowder	Andre Kleinig	Dale Cavies
Computer	J Cecil	Kupke family	Kleinig family
Cleaning/Flowers	G Reichelt & J Hodgson	E & N Launer & S Heyne	L Scholz & J Page
Tea/ Coffee	L Footner, G Weinert	M Miller J Ferris	Y Menz E Marsh
Visiting	D Herbig/ Kathy Golder	D Herbig/ Kathy Golder	D Herbig/K Golder

Mission Giving for Cambodia: envelopes should be clearly marked **Cambodian Village**

2019 Offering Envelopes available on foyer table

Offering – REG (Regular Electronic Giving)

Members who choose to give electronically can do so through the Lutheran Laypeople's League weekly or monthly or as you choose. A form in the booklet available in foyer or online at www.lll.org.au. St Mark's account no. 57152 S1

LLL Redevelopment Account BSB 704942 Account No: 43448 **S1** *[if you are transferring money from any bank other than the LLL, leave off the S1]* Account name: *Mount Barker St Mark's Lutheran Church Plant Redevelopment*. Please note: If you prefer to keep your bank transactions anonymous, it is better to fill out an LLL form for direct debits

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St Mark's Lutheran church is dedicated to providing a safe place for all members and visitors. The LCA encourages all members to follow a standard of ethical behaviour, and if you believe these standards have been breached, you can direct a formal complaint to the LCA complaints hot line on **1800 644 628** or email complaints@lca.org.au. **Copies of the LCA Standards of Ethical Behaviour are available from the church foyer.** Our church uses the SP3 Safety Management System for all children ministries. Our SP3 Coordinators are Andy & Joey Traeger.



2019 Exciting St Mark's 2019 Fundraising Event

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner

Choose to either be a host or a guest and get to know fellow members in a home environment.

Saturday March 2nd 6pm Dinner
Or Sunday March 3rd 12noon lunch

\$20 per head / \$50 for a family (children aged up to 12 yrs)

*****BYO Drinks*****

Proceeds and donations will go towards St Mark's fundraising

RETURN SLIP BELOW BY

Sunday Feb 17th to a Drop Box in the Link or inform Sue O'Higgins 0458 401 264 Email:

jimsueoh@hotmail.com Allocations will be finalized Sunday 24th

Name: _____ Ph: _____

I'd like to be a HOST

Sat 2nd Dinner

Number of guests I can host

I would like to Cater an entire meal (Budgeted allowance per guest if required)

Sun 3rd Lunch

OR

I'd like to be GUEST

Number attending Includeschildren

You will be notified about further details including possibly supplying a Portion of the meal

Yes, I am willing to swap my host/guest choice if required

I need to have transportation arranged.

I have specific dietary requirements _____