



WELCOME TO St Mark's Lutheran Church Lent 2 Sunday 17th March

Please sign our guest book, if you are visiting today



DIVINE SERVICES

8.30am Traditional Service with Holy Communion – LH53, LHS817, LH331, LH392

10.30am Contemporary Service - Behold the Lamb, Revelation, AT470, AT214, Cornerstone, One thing remains, Forever

SERMON THEME – Longing to gather us Text: Luke 13:31-35

- The fox
- The hen
- The chicks



BIBLE READINGS

📖 Genesis 15:1-12,17-18

📖 Psalm 27

📖 Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

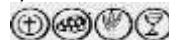
📖 Luke 13:31-35

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

M: Let us pray that we deny ourselves and trust in Christ.

C: Merciful God, we thank you for sending your Son to suffer and give his life for all people. Teach us, who have been born again, to forget ourselves and rely only on Christ our Saviour. For he 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 18th Matthew 13:44 – 52

Tue 19th Matthew 13:53 - 58

Wed 20th Matthew 14:1 - 12



Thurs 21st Matthew 14:13 - 21

Fri 22nd Matthew 14:22 - 36

Sat 23rd Psalm 63:1-8



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. 'The AGM of the school will be held on Sunday 31st of March immediately following the Church AGM which begins at 4:00pm.'

PERSONAL PRAYERS: PRAYER LIST

Greg Lockwood travelling overseas to teach in Cambodia
 Amalia Maher, thanksgiving for a report of no active disease
 Arabella Waack, ongoing health difficulties
 Phyllis Linder, ongoing health difficulties
 All those taking up a fast or special spiritual discipline for Lent



GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's Lutheran School:** Tracy Holmes, Samantha Holton, Noelene Howis
- ❖ **People in Civil Authority:** Governor SA, Hui Van Le
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** Executive Officer – Local Mission, Dr Tania Nelsen
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** Cornerstone College
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church
- ❖ **Lutheran Church of Australia, International Mission.** Listed prayer points

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Mar 17th ~ Kevin Przibilla

Mar 19th ~ Katrina Phillips

Mar 21st ~ Danielle Barolo, Reza Ebrahimi, Yvonne Menz

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



AGM AND BOOK OF REPORTS

The **AGM** will be held on Sunday March 31 at 4pm. The Book of Reports is available in your pigeon hole today before the AGM.

ST MARK'S MATTERS AUTUMN EDITION

Closing date for receipt of articles is Friday 22nd of March. Please assist with prompt responses. Ed

LENT SERVICES

Come along to our mid-week services on Wednesdays in Lent at 7:30pm. These services are an important part of our Easter preparation. The theme for this year is 'Truly, this is the Son of God.' We will have visiting pastors each week who will explore different perspectives on the passion of Christ.

March 20: Pontius Pilate [Matthew 27:11–14, 24–26] Pastor Fin Klein

March 27: Nicodemus [John 3:1–21; 19:39] Pastor David Kuss

April 3: The Centurion [Matthew 27:51–54] Pastor Luke Spilsbury

April 10: The Thief [Matthew 27:38–44; Luke 23:32–43] Pastor Matthew Edgecomb

INTRODUCTORY COURSE

Our special course introducing the Christian Faith to those who are new, enquiring, or interested in preparing for baptism or adult confirmation is now up and running.. Feel free to recommend this course to friends or family. It is running on Tuesday afternoons from 2pm. Those who cannot attend day time sessions can still express interest for a night time course later in the year.

2019 APRIL TO JULY ROSTERS

Available today in Foyer. Please pick up your copy and check your commitments and availability especially over Easter and make appropriate swaps.

LENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET

The Education, Service and Nurture Committee encourage our members to engage in a Lenten Devotional series entitled 'Objects of Lent' that can be done as a household or individually. The booklet is provided through Lutheran Tract Mission, and is accessible via their website (www.ltm.org.au/resources/edownloadables) or there are printed copies available from the foyer. The booklet commences on Ash Wednesday 6 March.

EASTER CRAFT ITEMS

Our Sunday School group are doing a significant craft activity in a few weeks' time. We are looking for donations of items that members might have 'lying around'. Please see Elizabeth Marsh, Alana Martin or Emma Graetz if you have of the following items that you could donate:

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| a. Green cardboard | b. Trays, saucers or alfoil trays about 30cm in size |
| c. Potting mix | d. Small and large stones |
| e. Sticks to make small crosses | f. Grass seed |
| g. String | h. Contact |

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY

Shane Pfeiffer new address. 7 Victoria Road, Mt Barker, 5251 mobile 0400 940 463

OPEN DOOR BOOKSHOP

Six copies of 2019 Year book are available for purchase. \$20. Please see Jane Hill if interested. New range of books focussing on Lent and Easter available now. Also our clever wood fashioner Ken Herbig has made some beautiful 'comfort' crosses for sale. They may be perfect to give at Easter. Only \$4.00. An Easter tract is included with cross. As usual the card selection is available at anytime. Jane Hill



ABUNDANCE TABLE Canceled April & May Due to other Fundraising events



Please consider how you can support this 'table'. We welcome new ideas or products you can donate for others to love/eat share etc! Next one in June.



NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MARCH 2019

- Two women have joined Pastor's **introductory class in the Christian faith**. Evangelism and Welfare committee members will act as mentors.
- **Finance:** Giving is much the same as last year. If this continues, we will be \$30,000 short again this year.
- IT is preparing a document explaining how to use the **church's website**. CC has suggested that a training session also be offered.
- The Ministers' Fraternal has asked St Marks to open up our **Easter dawn service** to other churches.
- **School:** It is anticipated there will be 4,200 extra school-aged children in Mt Barker by 2036. Planning needs to take this into account.
- The **'One St Marks' initiative** is working on combining Friday school chapel with coffee and conversation and playgroup at the church.
- Furniture has been provided for **Pastor's office**
- While installing air-conditioning is not considered cost effective, ways of **cooling the church** on very hot days are being investigated.
- CC has decided to purchase a **defibrillator**.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

will meet again on Tuesday 26th March at 12 noon for BYO Lunch and fellowship with Bible Study and meeting commencing at 1.00pm. Please remember to bring your Lutheran Women. The theme for this meeting is WAR ON WASTE, with a guest speaker from Mt Barker Council coming to enlighten us on this subject with a power point presentation. We will also be shown how to make Bees Wax cloths for re-cycling. Members of the congregation are also invited to this meeting, so please come along and share this important issue with us. All welcome. Devotion: Jan Hodgson Hostess: Marg Miller

MOUNT BARKER SHOW/STALL March 23rd

We will be holding a children's activity table at the Mount Barker Show once again this year, we had very positive feedback from the stall we ran last year. We are hoping for some volunteers from the congregation to take a turn for a 2 hour stint/rotation at the stall. The stall plans to give out an Easter tract depicting the Jelly Bean Prayer for Easter together with a small bag of jellybeans plus other activities. Our stall will be part of the Clover Leaf trail. Free entry will be provided. Please see Val if you are able to help and/or put your name on sheet in Link. Thank you.

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEER

Are there one or two people willing to volunteer their time to clean the church? This would involve vacuuming the church plant, dusting the offices and checking the kitchen floor weekly, plus spot cleaning before funerals and weddings. If you are willing to volunteer your time in this way, please contact Jon Footner at jonfoots@hotmail.com There is a sign up sheet on notice board in Link area.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS TRAINING

Professional Standards (PS) training is essential for anyone who has involvement in ministries for under 18's and vulnerable people within our congregation. This includes committee/council members, pastoral assistants and elders. This training combines previous elements of Safe Pace and ChildSafe trainings. This PS training is valid for three years. St Mark's have secured this training opportunity to support our ministries and make it easier for members to attend. Below are the details for this training:

Date :Saturday 6 April **Location**: Church Link

Time: 9:30am - 4:30pm (registration 9:15am)

Lunch: Bring a plate of food to share (morning tea/afternoon tea will be provided)

Registration: To assist us with planning for this training, please put your name on the 'PS training sign-up sheet' on the noticeboard. Attendees will still need to register online at

<https://www.regonline.com/MtBarker20190406> . Joey will be available between services TODAY (17 March) to assist any

members to register online. For further information please see Andy & Joey Traeger (SP3 Coordinators) or Emma Graetz.



NEXT M&M'S



Thursday March 21st, 6.30pm

Bring a plate of tea to share followed by an evening playing Board Games. BYO drinks.



Infuse Church and Glorify Church have partnered together to bring Pastor Alan Meyer to Infuse Church for his seminar on **"How To Manage Your Money"**. This is a free event, with a love offering being taken up during one of the Saturday morning sessions. Morning tea provided.

This will be held on Friday 22nd of March 2019: 7:00pm – 8:30pm; then on Saturday 23rd of March 2019: 9:00am – 12:30pm. Check out the Flyer on notice board



Hills Connect | 17th March 2019

Hosted by Holy Cross and Green Team
at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Birdwood

The Takeaway on Refocusing

with Damper and Grazing Platters
please BYO picnic blankets/cushions/rugs/pillows
Doors open at 4:45pm, Worship at 5pm,
Food and Fellowship at 5pm
Please bring a gold coin donation
<http://hillsconnect.org.au>

Youth and young at heart,
come together to be uplifted
through Christian worship, praise, and fellowship.

'OUR' CAMBODIAN VILLAGE 2019– Target \$5500

2018 we raised our Target amount and that donation 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.

January giving \$27.55 February giving \$139.20

We need an average of \$440 per month to reach our target of \$5,5000



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
- 40 Days a Lenten prayer guide
- 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' 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
- 2019 Office Bearers list



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING INFORMATION

Attendance: Sunday 10th March 8.30am – 80 (HC – 75) 10.30am – 78 Total – 158
Lent 2 Wednesday Service 13th March 7.30pm – 53

Offering plates:

Sunday 3rd March \$1655.20 Ash wed \$329.35 Redev \$350. Cambodia \$78.45

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

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK – 17th – 24th March 2019

2019 Offering Envelopes available on foyer table

Sun 17th – Sunday Services Traditional 8.30amHC and Contemporary 10.30am

Wed 20th – Office Open 9am – 1pm (Erica Launer)

– Lent 2 Evening service 7.30pm

Thurs 21st – Pastor's Day off

Fri 22nd – Office Open 9 am – 1pm (Erica Launer)

Sun 24th – Sunday Services Traditional 8.30am and Contemporary 10.30amHC

ROSTERS	Ps Fin Klein	Ps Kuss		
DATE	Sunday March 17	Wed March 20	Sunday March 24	Wednesday March 27
Sunday	Lent 2	Lent Evening	Lent 3	Lent Evening
<i>1st Reading</i>	Genesis 15:1-12,17-18		Isaiah 55:1-9	John 3:1-21; 19:39
<i>Ps /Canticle</i>	<i>Psalm 27</i>		<i>Psalm 63:1-8</i>	
<i>2nd Reading</i>	Philippians 3:17 - 4:1		1 Corinthians 10:1-13	
<i>Gospel</i>	Luke 13:31-35		Luke 13:1-9	
1st SERVICE	8.30am HC	7.30pm	8.30am	7.30pm
<i>Elder/Pastrl Ast</i>	Allen Meissner	David Kuchel	David Schild	Matt Hutchinson
<i>Ushers</i>	K & J Brinkmann	K & J Brinkmann	J Hodgson	J Hodgson
<i>Ushers cont...</i>			A Strauss	A Strauss
<i>Greeters</i>	J Ferris	R&C Foyle	B & J Bartholomeaus	F Harms
<i>Reading 1 & 2</i>	David Schild	K Brinkmann	Kerry Brinkmann	Matt Hutchinson
<i>Music</i>	Trevor Wegener	Lisa Grieger	Greg Lockwood	Trevor Wegener
<i>Sound</i>	Mark Tohl	Simon Milburn	James Ziersch	David Schild
<i>Computer</i>	Anthea Francis	NA	Julianne Ferris	NA
2nd SERVICE	10.30am		10.30am HC	
<i>Elder/Pastrl Ast</i>	Adrian Curtis		David Lockwood	
<i>Ushers</i>	van de Meulengraaf		G Foyle	
<i>Ushers cont...</i>	J Cecil		V McNeil	
<i>Greeters</i>	S Bormann		R & B Kowald	
<i>Reading 1 & 2</i>	Annette Cavies		Vicki McNeil	
<i>Music</i>	Youth Band		Chris Geue	
<i>Sound</i>	Steve Crowder		Andre Kleinig	
<i>Computer</i>	Kleinig family		Kupke family	
<i>Cleaning/Flowers</i>	F Harms & W Kuchel		W Prizabilla & S O'Higgins	
<i>Tea/ Coffee</i>	V Schild A Schulz		A Shillabeer S,J Kupke	
<i>Visiting</i>	J & R Paech		J & R Paech	

Pastor: Ben Pfeiffer **Church Office:** 8391 1695 **Mobile:** 0402 825 173 **Email:** pfeiffer241@gmail.com

Web address: stmarksmtbarker.org.au **POSTAL ADDRESS:** PO Box 836, Mt Barker 5251

Church Premises: 35 Hampden Rd, Mt Barker. **Church Facility bookings.** Val & David Schild 8391 2004

St Mark's School: 37 Hampden Rd, Mt Barker. ph 8391 0444 email: contact@stmarks.sa.edu.au

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.

