



**Welcome to**  
**ST MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mt Barker**  
**Third Sunday in Lent**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024**

***"To know Christ in His word and make Christ known in His world"***

### **DIVINE SERVICE**

**8.30am Service with Holy Communion – LHS858, LH162, AT658, LHS857**





**10.30am Service of the Word – AT635, Jesus Strong & Kind, AT95, Cornerstone**

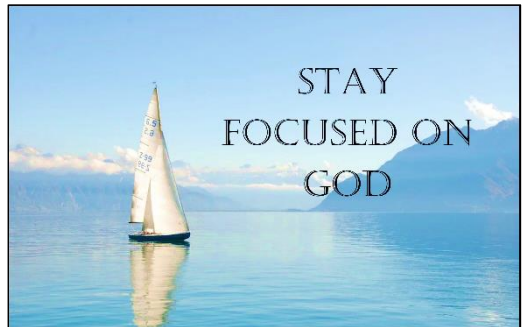
### **SERMON**

Text: Matthew 23:13-32

Theme: Sailing

### **BIBLE READINGS**

-  Exodus 20:1-17
-  Psalm 19
-  1 Corinthians 1:18-25
-  Matthew 23:13-32



### **PRAYER**

M: Let us pray that we live repentant lives.

C: Holy and merciful God, we thank you for giving your Son Jesus to die on the cross for us sinners. Turn us away from our sins and back to a life of trust in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **DEVOTIONAL READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Mon** Luke 5:27–39

**Tue** Luke 6:1–11

**Wed** Luke 6:12–26



**Thurs** Luke 6:27–38

**Fri** Luke 6:39–49

**Sat** Psalm 107:1-3, 17–22

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 residing Pastor, the Elder on duty, or one of the Ushers, before the service begins. Allergy and gluten free communion wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is also available. Please notify the server if this is your need

## PRAYER POINTS

Hendrix Paech and his parents Simon & Ruby, following his baptism Saturday Kid's Hope program, both mentors and participants

## GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's School:** Anna Kotzikas, Tiffany Kuchel, Cheryl Liebelt
- ❖ **People in Civic Authority:** Premier Peter Malinauskas
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** Exec. Director Luth Ed Aust, Assoc Prof Lisa Schmidt
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** St Peter's Callington
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Mt Barker Church of Christ

## This Week's BIRTHDAYS

**4<sup>th</sup> March** ~ Karina Herbert

**5<sup>th</sup> March** ~ Jim O'Higgins, Jon Footner, Michael Barolo,  
Charlotte Frost

**8<sup>th</sup> March** ~ Graham Foyle, Francesca Forbes

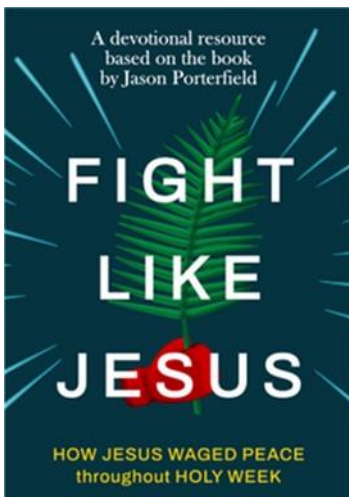
**9<sup>th</sup> March** ~ Trudy Greiger, Jack Barolo

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



## BAPTISM

On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, Hendrix Paech, grandson of Robert & Judith Paech, was baptised here at St Mark's. We pray God's richest blessings on Hendrix and his family as he is welcomed into God's family.



## MID-WEEK LENTEN BIBLE STUDY HUB

Come on a journey through Jesus' final week on earth, discovering anew why he is called the 'Prince of Peace.'

**Wednesdays 7:30-9pm during Lent**

**February 21<sup>st</sup> @ St Mark's, Mt Barker**

**February 28<sup>th</sup> @ Peace Lutheran Church, Salem**

**March 6<sup>th</sup> @ St Michael's, Hahndorf**

**March 13<sup>th</sup> @ St Paul's, Hahndorf**

**March 20<sup>th</sup> @ Strathalbyn**

Carpooling is encouraged.

## JAFFA

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1.30pm

This Sunday we are excited to welcome children in Years 4 – 6 to our first JAFFA for 2024! Join us on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 1:30 – 3:30pm in St Mark's Church Link for JAFFA SPLASH! Contact Emma Graetz on 0418 898 430 or [emmagraetz@gmail.com](mailto:emmagraetz@gmail.com) to RSVP by Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> or for any questions you might have. Cost \$4.00. Looking forward to seeing you there!



## BIBLE GIFTING

An extra special welcome is extended to join us this coming Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March at our School chapel beginning at 9:00am in the school hall. As part of chapel, we will again be presenting each of our Year 2 students with a Bible. This continues a long tradition of support from our St Mark's Ladies fellowship. You are welcome to stay for coffee and chat following chapel.

## MEN'S GROUP

### 16<sup>th</sup> March 12 noon



We ask you to please bring along an item which is special to you and share the story of why you value the item. Paech's farm, lunch provided for \$10, BYO drinks. For catering purposes please add your name to the list in the Link.

## RED CROSS LIFEBLOOD



Please note that Red Cross will again be using our facilities for blood collections from **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**. Access to our facilities will be limited during this time.

## MT BARKER SHOW OUTREACH

### 23<sup>rd</sup> March

St Mark's Church are again hosting a stall with Easter gifts for the Clover Leaf Trail, Christian tracts, info on St Marks services, colouring sheets for children and a seat for families to rest. 16 volunteers from the congregation are needed for the day to set/pack up, sit at the stand, converse with people as they require, and be a presence in the community. This is a great opportunity for our Church to be present and seen and a way to share God's love with others. Please consider placing your name on the roster in the Link to attend for 2 hours with others, or set/pack up site, as this is a whole of congregation effort. Tickets are available for show entry. Any enquires to Deb vandeMeulengraaf

## MARY'S and MARTHA'S

**19<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm**

This month we will have a BYO tea to begin, and then explore the use of watercolour and pen/wash under the guidance of Chris. If you have any of the following items please bring them: block watercolours (child's are fine), watercolour brushes & paper, permanent black pen (0.3 or 0.4). Chris has supplies that we can use if you don't have these items. No charge. All women welcome. Location to be confirmed.



## Notes from PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Key Audit – The Church Council have authorised the Property Committee to check all keys that our members are holding. Please show your key to Val Schild or take a photo of it and send to her mobile 0404 432 920. Thanking you all in anticipation of your cooperation.

Key Codes on both outside doors – will be changed in the very near future. You will be advised when this takes place.

Our Garden space – We are very grateful for the members who have taken on gardening jobs in their own time to help keep the grounds looking neat and tidy. Please accept our grateful thanks if you were one of them.

Outside seating – Looking into having a bench/garden type seat around the church space in case of someone needing a seat, whilst waiting to be picked up etc. James Briggs-Wilson, Chair, Property Committee 0438 667 099

# 8 MONTHS TO GO!

In October 2024 General Synod delegates will be voting on a proposal to allow for the LCANZ to function as 'one church with two different practices of ordination'.

Ask your pastor, congregation chair or General Synod delegate for updates and ways to...



## JOIN THE CONVERSATION

[www.lca.org.au/wayforward](http://www.lca.org.au/wayforward)

Sign up to Way Forward eNews [www.lca.org.au/wf-signmeup](http://www.lca.org.au/wf-signmeup)

# ALWS Asante

**Asante** is the Swahili word for 'thank you'!

It's a word you hear a lot when you visit the refugee camp you support through ALWS at Kakuma in Kenya.

The people you help in Indonesia want to thank you too, and the word they use is 'Terima kasih'.

ALWS wants to pass that thank you onto you in person, and so this is your personal invitation to an **ALWS Asante**.

What makes your Asante special is not just the nibbles and shared meal you'll enjoy but the stories and songs you'll hear from special guests, **Robin and Dorothy Mann**, Ambassadors for ALWS **Lives You Touch** program.

**When: 6:00pm for 6:30 start, Sat 16<sup>th</sup> March for tea & presentation**

**Where: St Mark's Lutheran Church**

**RSVP: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 1300 763 407 or [alws@alws.org.au](mailto:alws@alws.org.au)**

Packed into your 90 minute **ALWS Asante** will be stories and songs from these two brilliant Christian musicians ...

... PLUS an inspiring journey with Julie Krause to a community where people with disability are no longer forgotten, but celebrated

... PLUS you'll be given an update on your ALWS action on the frontline in conflict zones of Ukraine, Myanmar and Somalia

... PLUS a Q&A, where you can ask anything you like about your ALWS action - including the power of ALWS Matching Grants.

You will enjoy a meal interspersed with the ALWS Asante presentations and songs as St Mark's turns on the hospitality!

Feel free to invite along family and friends to your **ALWS Asante**, so they can see what you do for others through ALWS.

Simply tell us on the RSVP how many are coming, to help our catering.

Thank you for all you do to help people through ALWS.

As a Christian, I always feel humbled seeing faith at work, being lived out in practical ways in people's lives – it's a powerful message! That's why I think you'll come away from your **ALWS Asante** inspired, excited and filled with joy.

I look forward to seeing you then!

*Jonathan Krause, Community Action Manager*



## ST MARK'S MATTERS

The next edition of Matters is now being planned. Articles and photos are requested, please send them to [fifer@adam.com.au](mailto:fifer@adam.com.au) before 30<sup>th</sup> March.

## From BRIAN BARTHOLOMAEUS



Brian Bartholomaeus and family would like to thank all people who helped and planned Jean's departure from earth to eternal bliss in heaven. The many cards and condolences have been very much appreciated. Brian & family.

Address update: Laurels Aged Care, Room 213, 2 Hutchinson St, Mt Barker.  
Ph: 0428 171 379



Lutheran Care are currently seeking donations of:  
Breakfast Cereals, Pasta, Tinned Steak/Veg, Tinned Sausage/Veg, Butter, Margarine, Sugar, Toothbrushes, Shampoo & Conditioner

Due to health and safety concerns all donations must be sealed and in original packaging

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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| <b>ROSTERS</b>           | <b>March 3</b>          | <b>March 10</b>             | <b>March 17</b>       |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Sunday</b>            | <b>Lent 3</b>           | <b>Lent 4</b>               | <b>Lent 5</b>         |
| <b>1st Reading</b>       | Exodus 20:1-17          | Numbers 21:4-9              | Jeremiah 31:31-34     |
| <b>Ps /Canticle</b>      | Psalms 19               | Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22       | Psalms 119:9-16       |
| <b>2nd Reading</b>       | 1 Corinthians 1:18-25   | Ephesians 2:1-10            | Hebrews 5:5-10        |
| <b>Gospel</b>            | Matthew 23:13-32        | Mark 14:1-11                | John 13:1-17,31b-38   |
| <b>1st SERVICE</b>       | <b>8.30am HC</b>        | <b>8.30am</b>               | <b>8.30am HC</b>      |
| <b>Elder/Pastr Ast</b>   | Symon Gogel             | Mark Tohl                   | Gary Altmann          |
| <b>Ushers</b>            | K Brinkmann, V Schild   | A Strauss, J Hodgson        | B Jackson, S Moore    |
| <b>Greeters</b>          | Wendy Anderson          | Julianne Ferris             | Marsh Family          |
| <b>Reading 1 &amp; 2</b> |                         | Jo-Ann Schutz               | Colin Schultz         |
| <b>Music</b>             | Trevor Wegener          | Lisa Grieger                | David Buck            |
| <b>Sound</b>             | Help needed             | David Schild                | Mark Tohl             |
| <b>Computer</b>          | Jenny Girdham           | Val Schild                  | Annthea Francis       |
| <b>2nd SERVICE</b>       | <b>10.30am</b>          | <b>10.30am HC</b>           | <b>10.30am</b>        |
| <b>Elder/Pastr Ast</b>   | Gary Altmann            | David Lockwood              | Symon Gogel           |
| <b>Ushers</b>            | G Foyle, A Gogel        | N & G Hein                  | V McNeil, M Pfeiffer  |
| <b>Greeters</b>          | Julie & Ian Pfeiffer    | Gail & Trevor Weinert       | Kathy Golder          |
| <b>Reading 1 &amp; 2</b> | Ali Schulz              | Annette Cavies              | Symon Gogel           |
| <b>Music</b>             | Leanne Mibus            | David Simpfendorfer         | David Heyne           |
| <b>Sound</b>             | Steve Crowder           | Dale Cavies                 | Steve Crowder         |
| <b>Computer</b>          | Ryan Schwarz, Eli Peach | Debbie Zimmermann           | Zack Schwarz          |
| <b>Clean/Flowers</b>     | G Weinert, D Buck       | V Schild, T Grieger         | J Pfeiffer, B Schultz |
| <b>Morning tea</b>       | M Friebe,<br>B Paech    | B Gogel,<br>K Simpfendorfer | J Hodgson, M Miller   |
| <b>Visiting</b>          | D Herbig, K Golder      | D Herbig, K Golder          | D Herbig, K Golder    |

### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE and OFFERINGS**

**Attendance** 25<sup>th</sup> February: 8.30am 92    10.30am 89 (80)    Total 181

**Giving** 25<sup>th</sup> February (plate): General \$12101    Redevel \$ 2542

Required Monthly \$23,653    Giving for Jan \$17,470 (Plate \$5,190, Electronic \$12,280)

Balance Redevelopment loan as at 31/12/2023 is \$323,353. We borrowed \$800,000.

**Electronic giving:** members can give electronically in several ways.



**QR Code:** this will take you to the giving page of our website where you will find information on various giving methods.

**EFTPOS:** terminal available at the rear of the church

**REG (Regular Electronic Giving):** via the Lutheran Laypersons League.

Forms are available from the 'REG' pigeonhole or online at [www.lll.org.au](http://www.lll.org.au).

**St Mark's details:** BSB 704942, Account no. 100406459

**To pay off the principal of our loan directly, please use these details: Account Name: St Mark's Lutheran Church, Church Re-Development BSB 704942, Acc: 100909094**

**Mission Project donations:** place in plate in a labelled envelope or direct deposit (email [stmarks.mb.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:stmarks.mb.treasurer@gmail.com) to inform them) or eftpos terminal rear of the church.

# CHURCH CALENDAR 3<sup>rd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

|               |                             |  |  |   |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--|--|---|
| <b>Sunday</b> | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> March</b> | <b>Services</b>                                | <b>8.30am</b><br>9.45am<br><b>10.30am</b><br>1.30 – 3.30pm | <b>Holy Communion</b><br>Sunday School<br><b>Service of the Word</b><br>Splash! |
| Mon           | 4 <sup>th</sup>             | Office open<br>Mainly Music<br>Worship Meeting | 9.00am – 12.00pm<br>9.30am<br>7.00pm                       |   |
| Tues          | 5 <sup>th</sup>             | Office Open                                    | 9.00am - 12.00pm   |   |
| Wed           | 6 <sup>th</sup>             | Office open<br>Lenten Bible Study              | 9.00am – 1.00pm<br>7.30pm                                  | St Michaels Hahndorf  |
| Fri           | 8 <sup>th</sup>             | Office open<br>Bible Gifting                   | 9.00am – 1.00pm<br>9.00am                                  | School Chapel   |
| <b>Sunday</b> | <b>10<sup>th</sup></b>      | <b>Services</b>                                | <b>8.30am</b><br>9.45am<br><b>10.30am</b>                  | <b>Service of the Word</b><br>Sunday School<br><b>Holy Communion</b>            |
| Mon           | 11 <sup>th</sup>            | <b>ADELAIDE CUP HOLIDAY</b>                    |  |   |
| Tues          | 12 <sup>th</sup>            | Office Open<br>Church Council                  | 9.00am - 12.00pm<br>7.30pm                                 |   |
| Wed           | 13 <sup>th</sup>            | Office open<br>Lenten Bible Study              | 9.00am – 1.00pm<br>7.30pm                                  | St Paul's Hahndorf  |
| Fri           | 15 <sup>th</sup>            | Office open                                    | 9.00am – 1.00pm  |   |
| Sat           | 16 <sup>th</sup>            | Men's group<br>ALWS Asante                     | 12.00pm<br>6.00pm  | Paech's farm<br>RSVP 8 <sup>th</sup> March                                      |
| <b>Sunday</b> | <b>17<sup>th</sup></b>      | <b>Services</b>                                | <b>8.30am</b><br>9.45am<br><b>10.30am</b>                  | <b>Holy Communion</b><br>Sunday School<br><b>Service of the Word</b>            |

## 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 LCA Safety Management system for all children ministries. Our Safe Church Coordinator is Emma Graetz. Email: **safechurch@stmarksmtbarker.org.au**