



**WELCOME TO  
ST MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Mt Barker SA  
SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020  
18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**DIVINE SERVICE**

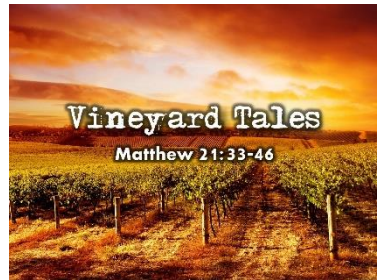
**8.30am Traditional Service with Holy Communion - 270 (v. 1,3,5,6), 265, 322 (v. 1,3,4,5,7),881**

**10.30am Contemporary Service – Lord I lift your name on high, 246 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, Cornerstone, For all you've done**




**SERMON THEME** The Tenants in the Vineyard

Text: Matthew 21:33-46; Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20

- The Owner over the Vineyard
- The Fence around the Vineyard
- The Tenants within the Vineyard
- The Son who saves the Vineyard



**BIBLE READINGS**

-  Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20
-  Philippians 3:4b-14
-  Matthew 21:33-46 (NRSV)

**PRAYER**

M: Let us pray that we faithfully do God's work

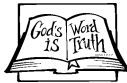
C: Lord God, you have planted your church to be a flourishing fruitful vineyard. Make us loyal and productive, doing the work you have given us to do. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**DEVOTIONAL READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup>** Song of Sol 2:10-15

**Tues 5<sup>th</sup>** Amos 9:13-15

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup>** Luke 13:6-9



**Thur 8<sup>th</sup>** John 15:1-16

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup>** Acts 14:1-6

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 23

*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*



Weekly newsletters are available on the St Mark's School website at [www.stmarks.sa.edu.au](http://www.stmarks.sa.edu.au) Ph 8391 0444  
We are currently advertising for a Pastoral Support Worker to begin in 2021 when our current staff member retires. See the school website or contact James Heyne for details.

### **PRAYER POINTS**

Sarah Waack recovering after surgery  
Sam Curtis recovering after surgery  
Trudy Watkins, daughter of Bev Hoepner as she recovers from surgery  
Gordon Marshall, ongoing care in Heathfield  
Clara Cavies and Sam Perry preparing to marry on October 9  
Tim Footner and Tammy Graetz preparing to marry on October 10

### **GENERAL PRAYER POINTS**

- ❖ **St Mark's Lutheran School:** Heidi Zirkel, Lisa Angwin, Danielle Barolo
- ❖ **People in Civil Authority:** Queen Elizabeth II
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** Director of Lutheran Schools Association – John Proeve
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** St Paul's Lutheran Church, Hahndorf
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Mt Barker Salvation Army
- ❖ **Lutheran Church of Australia, International Mission.** Listed prayer points

### **THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS**

*Oct 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Levi Lockwood*  
*Oct 8<sup>th</sup> ~ Darryl Baverstock*  
*Oct 9<sup>th</sup> ~ Enice Schroeder*  
*Oct 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Olivia Hutchinson*

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



### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Our thoughts and prayers are with two couples getting married this week.  
Clara Cavies and Sam Perry will be married at St Mark's on Friday afternoon.  
Tim Footner and Tammy Graetz will be married in Bordertown on Saturday afternoon.  
We wish both couples God's richest blessings for their special day and life together.



### **NEXT WEEK**

Next Sunday October 11th our field education student Mitch Kitson will be preaching at both services. We look forward to having Mitch share God's word with us. We will also be welcoming some new members at our 8:30am service.

### **POSITION VACANT**

St Marks is looking for an Office Administrator to support the ministry of our church. This is an 8 hour a week casual position. Job descriptions are available at the notice board. Applications close Monday 5 Oct 2020. Further enquiries and applications to Pastor Ben ([pfeiffer241@gmail.com](mailto:pfeiffer241@gmail.com))

## **NOMINATIONS**

Thank you to all members who have filled elected positions this year, your contribution to the congregation is greatly appreciated. We would like all those in these positions to prayerfully consider if you wish to continue in 2021. If you are unable to continue would you please contact one of the nomination committee. Also, if you are considering joining one of our committees, please contact one of the nomination committee members Janice Cecil 0400 753 267, Rob Paech 0422 949 546, Craig Kupke (Elder) 0429 150 667

## **CONFIRMATION SERVICE ADVANCE NOTICE**

This year's Confirmation service will be held on Sunday November 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm at Inbarendi, Cornerstone College. This venue was chosen due to the large number of confirmees (twenty-one) in the class and limited number of people we can fit in the church at present. We encourage congregation members to mark this date in their diaries and come along for this special occasion.

## **MandM's CUPCAKE CAPERS**



Thursday October 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6.30pm. Ladies, come along for a fun night in, in-lieu of our annual Girls Night In Cake Bake Off. Please BYO tea to start the night off (Cupcakes will be provided for dessert).



Please put your name on the sheet on the Link Notice board if you are planning to come along.

## **YOUTH BOWLING**

Youth are going bowling next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October. Cost will be \$20 + money for food. Meet at the church at 1pm. RSVP by Wed 7 Oct. For more information see Emma Graetz (0418898430 or emmagraetz@gmail.com)



## **WORKING BEE** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 8.30am – 12.30 pm



The Property committee invites members of St Marks to participate in the annual spring clean of the church and its grounds.

**Tasks** – Building small rock walls, general gardening, cleaning windows and removing cobwebs, some painting and other easy chores.

**What you need to bring** – if you can, please bring along rake, shovels, broom, cobweb broom, gloves & cleaning rags, paint brush and enthusiasm.

Please add your name to the list in the LINK to indicate your ability to attend, thank you.

## **MAINLY MUSIC**

The Mainly Music roster for Term 4 is on the noticeboard in the LINK. If you have never had a turn at this but are interested, please talk to Val Schild, Yvonne Menz or Julie Pfeiffer, we would be only too happy to explain how it works. We look forward to filling the roster to make sure this program runs smoothly. Thank you all in advance for your continued help.



### **INVITING NEW SINGERS & MUSICIANS**

If you would like to be involved in our Sunday Worship through either singing or playing an instrument we would love to hear from. There is always plenty of room to include new people into this area of worship and we would also encourage those who are still learning to contact us and discuss ways we can involve you as well.



Please send Sharon a message via email at [stmarks.worship@bigpond.com](mailto:stmarks.worship@bigpond.com) or 0438692622.

### **MUSICIANS & SINGERS MEETING**

To all current musicians and singers, you are invited to a meeting on Oct 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss a proposal to look at a new roster system. This is your opportunity to be involved in the way we organise and structure our band system. The meeting will start at 12noon in the Link – a few nibbles will be provided.

### **USHERS**

A sincere thank you to everyone who helps with ushering duties each Sunday, your help is very valuable and appreciated and does not go unnoticed. The 2021 usher roster is being drawn up soon and we hope and pray that you are willing to continue in this capacity. We would also like to invite new ushers to the team, we would love to hear from you if you feel this is somewhere you may like to help. We hold a short training session each November to explain the details and importance of these duties. **If you would like to help, we would love to hear from you.**

Please let Sharon know in the church office or Val Schild or the head ushers – Kevin Przibilla and or Simon Moore. Every blessing as you consider helping with this role. **Thank you.**

### **St Mark's Lutheran School Council Nominations**

Each year in November, the St Mark's Church elects the School Council who hold governance responsibility for St Mark's Lutheran School. The school constitution sets the membership of the Council at 8 councillors. Of the 8 at least 6 members shall be members of St Mark's Lutheran church or another Lutheran Church, with up to 2 councillors able to be practicing Christians from the school or wider community.

The St Mark's School Council is currently seeking Expressions of Interest for two people to join the school council governance team. The role on School Council is voluntary and requires members to meet once a month during the school year.

Ideally applicants will have experience in one of the following areas: Marketing and communications, education and training, strategic thinking and problem solving, as will complement the current range of abilities within council. Due to the current composition of the School Council we require that at least one applicant is a member of St Mark's Church, or a member of another Lutheran Church.

Any interested church or community members are invited to contact the School Council Chairperson, Bev Gogel (0422 535 331) or our School Council Vice Chairperson Casey Work (0422070986), or the school front office for further details on the nominations process.

Nominations need to be received by Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Return to Worship Guidelines**

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Thank you for making our 'return to worship' a smooth process. Please continue to observe the following:

- Maintaining 1.5m distance from others and make use of hand sanitiser
- Follow the direction of the greeters and ushers, as well as the signs and arrows
- Sign the declaration that you are present, well and understand the expectations of entry
- Fill the church from the front, only using seats without a reserved sign
- Members of the same household may sit together but others must remain 1.5m apart
- Leave from the rear as directed by ushers and make use of the hand sanitizer
- Worshippers in the link leave first into the hall for morning tea or into the outside areas
- Worshippers in the Church leave second via the link, maintaining social distance
- Please do not congregate in the link, especially between services, and continue to refrain from handshaking and hugging

**BE COVIDSAFE**



### **MORNING TEA BETWEEN SERVICES**

Morning tea has now been running for several weeks and is going very well. There are just a few protocols to follow:

#### **Directions for Morning Tea**

- Leave from the rear of the Church through the Link and form a queue following arrows to the hall for morning tea
- Enter the hall through the single door to the hall servery
- Pick up your tea / coffee / biscuit which will be prepared for you.
- Find a seat and sit down before consuming food or drink.
- Exit through the hall double doors and those adjacent the main church office.



### **HELP AND SUPPORT**

Members of St Marks are encouraged to make contact with an Elder, Pastoral Assistant or Pastor Ben (0402 825 173) if there are any pastoral or practical matters the church can assist with.

### **ELDERS**

Adrian Curtis 8398 2186

David Kuchel 0427 006 233

David Lockwood 0427 911 477

Kym van de Meulengraaf 0425 256 874

Matt Hutchinson 0400 917 003

Craig Kupke 8391 6744,

Mark Tohl 0414 723 257

**CONGREGATION CHAIR** Ian Pfeiffer 0413 336 221

## **VERGOLA SHADE PROJECT**



Stage one of the courtyard shade/ vergola has been fully funded by some kind donations from members. Erection of the vergola will commence in the near future. The appeal for funds to purchase stage two (fold out awning costing \$5927) is still open and will not be erected until this is fully funded. Please clearly state when giving your donations that they are for the courtyard shade. We give thanks to the

Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever. Ps 118:1 *The Property Committee*

## **CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!**

We are asking for any volunteers who would like to assist with planning the Christmas Eve Service at Inbarendi to contact Julie Pfeiffer  
0401952233 burwood.stud@bigpond.com  
Our first planning meeting will be Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October after the 10.30 service to discuss themes and format.



## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Thanks to those in our St Mark's Church community who have shown a keen interest in being part of Operation Christmas Child for 2020 – by collecting a shoebox (or two!), returning filled shoeboxes and providing a \$10 donation to cover the cost of shipping and distribution for each box.

Next Sunday, **October 11th**, is the final date for the deposit of your filled shoeboxes.

Filled shoeboxes can be left for collection under the OCC display table located opposite the pigeonholes. Please clearly include your donation (or advice of online donation) on top of the shoebox contents so it is easily located by processing teams.



You can still access shoeboxes, shoebox-packing brochures, gift idea sheets, colouring-in sheets, prayer bookmarks and other information about the work of OCC and Samaritan's Purse on the OCC display table for another week.

If you have any questions about the shoeboxes or would like further information about OCC, please contact Lisa Grieger. You can also visit the Samaritan's Purse website at: [samaritanspurse.org.au](http://samaritanspurse.org.au)

Many thanks for your support. God's blessings, Lisa Grieger

## **LOBETHAL LIVING NATIVITY**

Sadly this year due to the COVID-19 restrictions the Living Nativity will not be staged. As I have been involved every year since its inception I feel that there will be a big gap in Christmas preparations in Lobethal. The Living Nativity brought joy to many bus loads of seniors, provided an opportunity for people of all ages to participate and presented the real message of Christmas to adults and children who may not have known why we celebrate Christmas. Please pray for the continued spread of the Christmas message and thank you to everyone from St Mark's and the friends who have supported the Living Nativity in the past.

We look forward with hope to 2021. Rosalie Kowald

## **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING INFORMATION**

Attendance 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 8.30 – 64 10.30 – 84 (HC - 68) Total 148

Offering plates Sun Sept 27<sup>th</sup> \$1084.65 Sprau \$13.00 Shade \$50.00

Required Monthly \$22,415

**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. Forms are available in the 'REG' pigeon hole or online at [www.ill.org.au](http://www.ill.org.au). St Mark's BSB 704942 account no. 100406459

### **Church Giving (Plate, REG, Redevelopment)**

Required Monthly \$21,336 Giving for August \$16,686

If you wish to pay directly off the Principal of our loan please use these details: BSB 704942 Account 100909094 Account Name: St Marks Lutheran Church. Church Redevelopment Please note: If you prefer debits to keep your bank transactions anonymous, it is better to fill out an LLL form for direct debits.

**LLL:** *Our congregation has received an 'LLL Interest Rate change' notice advising that effective 1 October 2020, the interest rate on at-call Savings Accounts is **0.80%** This notice has been placed on the church notice board for your information.*

## **LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE**

**Oct Shopping list includes** Biscuits/Crackers, shampoo/conditioner, ladies underwear (small and new) boys/mens socks (large).

Please note that due to COVID 19 restrictions the smaller parcels of food are easier to sort. Even bath soap cannot be handed out unless it is in a separate sealed bag! LCC have a severe shortage of the following items: Long life milk, small boxes of cereals, pasta and rice, toilet paper (in small bags), 2 minute noodles and other small meal parcels.



## **NOTICE BOARD – More details & flyers on Notice board**

- Lutheran Church SA/NT - 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
- Flyer advertising Contemporary dance/exercise class for seniors (seated)
- Mission News (Sprau family) on Mission notice board in Link
- Cambodia Village update
- A message from Lutherans for Life
- Office Bearers list
- Office Administrator position



**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK** 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2020 – 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2020

 Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sunday Services – Traditional 8.30am HC, Contemporary 10.30am

 Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – Mid-week service 11.00am

 Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Oct – Office 9am-1pm – Janice Cecil

 Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sunday Services – Traditional 8.30am Contemporary 10.30am HC

<b>ROSTERS</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Oct Pent 18</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Oct Pent 19</b>	<b>Oct 18 Pent 20 /Proper 24</b>
<b>1st Reading</b>	Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20	Exodus 32:1-14	Exodus 33:12-23
<b>Ps /Canticle</b>	Psalm 19	Psalm 106:1-6,19-23	Psalm 99
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Philippians 3:4b-14	Philippians 4:1-9	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
<b>Gospel</b>	Matthew 22:33-46	Matthew 22:1-14	Matthew 22:15-22
<b>1<sup>st</sup> SERVICE</b>	<b>8.30am HC</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	
<b>Elder/Pastr Ast</b>	M Tohl	D Lockwood	C Kupke
<b>Ushers</b>	D&V Schild	D&A Shillabeer	S Moore P Andrejic
<b>Greeters</b>	B & J Bart	K Golder & Jane Hill	L & E Marsh
<b>Greeters</b>	A Francis	Dawn Herbig	Julianne Ferris
<b>Reading 1 &amp; 2</b>	Colin Schultz	Marsh Family	Paul Andrejic
<b>Music</b>	Trevor Wegener	Charmaine Milburn	Lisa Grieger
<b>Sound</b>	Simon Milburn	David Schild	Mark Tohl
<b>Computer</b>	Julianne Ferris	Val Schild	Annthea Francis
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> SERVICE</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>10.30am HC</b>	
<b>Elder/Pastr Ast</b>	A Curtis	D Kuchel	K van de Meulengraaf
<b>Ushers</b>	Kupke family A Gogel	K&W Przibilla	W Kuchel G Turner
<b>Greeters</b>	J & S O'Higgins	T & G Weinert	J & D Lockwood
<b>Greeters</b>	V McNeil	A & B Todd	S Bormann
<b>Reading 1 &amp; 2</b>	Ali Schultz	Sharon Steven	Cecil family
<b>Music</b>	Leanne Mibus	Sue Kupke	Youth
<b>Sound</b>	Steve Crowder	Andre Kleinig	Steve Crowder
<b>Computer</b>	Vicki McNeil	Janice Cecil	Debbie Zimmermann
<b>Cleaning/Flowers</b>	J Pfeiffer, B Schultz	L Marshall, R Kowald	K Golder, A Brady
<b>Vacuuming</b>	Vacuuming, Yes	No Vacuuming	Vacuuming, Yes
<b>Clean btwn Servs</b>	S O'Higgins W Kuchel	J & R Paech	A Shillabeer, V Schild
<b>Visiting</b>	K Golder Dawn Herbig	K Golder Dawn Herbig	K Golder Dawn Herbig
<b>Morning Tea</b>	M Miller E Launer C Lockwood	V Schild Y Menz E Marsh	B Paech J Girdham S O'Higgins

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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