



St Marks
Lutheran Church
MT BARKER
SHARING THE LOVE OF JESUS

WELCOME TO
ST MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Mt Barker SA
SUNDAY 6th September 2020
14th Sunday after Pentecost



DIVINE SERVICE

8.30am Traditional Service with Holy Communion – LHS 826 Father welcomes ,
LHS 797 Bless be the tie that binds LHS 800 May we be one

10.30am Contemporary Service – Who You Say I Am, AT 31 Freely Freely, AT 172
May We Be One, Living Hope

SERMON THEME 'In the Father's House'

Text: Matthew 18:15-20

- Settler of disputes
- Grantor of requests
- Present helper in need

BIBLE READINGS

- 📖 Exodus 12:1-14
- 📖 Psalm 149
- 📖 Romans 13:8-14
- 📖 Matthew 18:15-20



PRAYER

M: (Let us pray for harmony in the church. [silence])

C: Thank you, heavenly Father, that through your Son you have reconciled us to yourself and to one another. Teach us to follow his example by living at peace with each other. We ask this through 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 7th Deuteronomy 19:14 - 21

Tues 8th Matthew 5:38 - 48

Wed 9th Matthew 18:6 - 10



Thur 10th Luke 17:1 - 4

Fri 11th Ephesians 4:25 - 32

Sat 12th Psalm 103: (1-7)8 - 13

*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 Ph 8391 0444.

PRAYER POINTS

The Donhardt family, at the death of Gwen and Margaret
 The Schild family, at the birth of Matilda Valerie Emmanuelle Schild
 The Hermsen family, at the birth of Jasmine Ciara
 New members being welcomed throughout September
 Those suffering as a result of COVID-19 throughout the world

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral of Gwen Donhardt will be held on Monday September 14th at 10am. It will be a private service due to COVID-19 restrictions. The service will be livestreamed by Kleemans and members of St Marks are encouraged to view the service online and even gather in small groups to do so.

GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's Lutheran School:** Meredith Page, Louise Paterson, Kendall Pfeiffer
- ❖ **People in Civil Authority:** Local State MP, - Heysen, Josh Teague
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** 2nd Assistant Bishop – Ps Eugene Minge
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** St Peters Lutheran Church Callington
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Emmanuel Community Church
- ❖ **Lutheran Church of Australia, International Mission.** Listed prayer points

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Sept 7th~ Jessica Luxon, Luke Menz **Aug 10th** ~ Chloe Footner, Peter Schultz, Beverly Todd
Sept 11th~ Lucy Heinrich, Taylor Schutz **Sept 12th**~ Meghan Pfeiffer

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



BIRTH NOTICES

Rudi and Gayle Hermsen are proud to announce the arrival of their new grand daughter Jasmine Ciara born on 3rd August to Patrick and Jessica O'Daly.

We rejoice with Val and David Schild, at the announcement of a new granddaughter, Matilda Valerie Emmanuelle Schild, born during the week in France to Jon and Louise. Our thoughts and prayers are with Jon, Louise and Matilda as they look forward to being reunited soon. All are doing well. Both families are in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

Gordon & Lyn say THANK YOU

We are extremely grateful for the ongoing support and prayers of our Church family and friends. It is a blessing and comforting to know others are with us on the "Royal Telephone" for Gordon, as he struggles to deal with the many losses he is experiencing with his declining health issues, and for the staff at Hillside Lodge Heathfield, as they get to know his cheeky, caring nature amidst the challenges.

"From His abundance, we have all received one gracious blessing after another"
 John 1:16. With love, grace and appreciation. 'Lyn

GUIDELINES FOR SEATING IN CHURCH

Church Council has asked members to avoid complacency and to follow seating guidelines:

- Ushers are to show people to their seats, using the front rows first
- Maintain 1.5 metre distancing - no-one is to sit in reserved rows
- Start from the back rows when leaving the church

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

This Sunday at our 10:30am we welcome Anthony Fox into membership. Anthony has recently moved from Nairne to Aston Hills and we look forward to having him as part of our community. A number of other families will be welcomed into membership later in the month.

FATHER'S DAY

A blessed Father's Day to all the Fathers, Grandfathers and Great Grandfathers at St Mark's. We thank God for you and the blessing you are to your families, workplaces and wider community.

VERGOLA SHADE

Following the vote last week at both services, the congregation of St Mark's have endorsed the recommendations from the Property Committee and Church Council to erect a vergola and awning subject to the members financial support through an appeal. Donations can be made through the offering bowl or directly to the Church Acc. but please identify that it is earmarked for this project.

Summary of Project Costs

Vergola	\$16,200	Stage 1
Awning	\$5,927	Stage 2
Total Cost	\$22,127	
Funds in Hand	\$12,000	
Outstanding cost	\$10,127	

We also want to acknowledge those who have already donated money for this project.

Thank you for your generosity. Church Council

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to come to Bible Study on every Wednesday evening in the Church meeting room 7.30pm with Ps David Buck. You can receive study notes by email Tuesday night if you contact Ps David on

dwbuck@outlook.com.au



SENIOR YOUTH

Bonfire Night at Van de Meulengraaf's, Friday 11 September from 7pm. For more details see a youth leader or Emma Graetz (emmagraetz@gmail.com/ 0418898430)

ST MARKS MATTERS

The editors are seeking articles for the next issue. The deadline is 25th September.

Please email your articles to fifer@adam.com.au



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 Matt Hutchinson 0400 917 003
 David Kuchel 0427 006 233 Craig Kupke 8391 6744,
 David Lockwood 0427 911 477 Mark Tohl 0414 723 257
 Kym van de Muelengraaf 0425 256 874

CONGREGATION CHAIR Ian Pfeiffer 0413 336 221

BE COVIDSAFE

Return to Worship Guidelines

Thank you for making our 'return to worship' a smooth process and for following the direction of ushers and greeters as you come and go. Please continue to observe the following:

- All worship assistants to arrive half an hour early to prepare
- All worshippers to arrive earlier than usual to allow time for signing in
- Enter the Link 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
- Collect a bulletin and other handouts from the table(s) provided
- 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
- Communion will be continuous with only Pastor serving and no Common Cup for now
- Leave from the rear as directed by ushers and make use of the hand sanitiser as you leave
- We ask people to refrain from handshaking and hugging.

COVID Marshals

Every place of worship is now required to have a COVID Marshal present during services. Their responsibilities include knowledge of the congregation's COVID safe plan, completion of an online training course and monitoring of social distancing. Our elders have agreed to take on this role, at least in the short term. Please follow their instructions out of care and respect for others.

There are updated information sheets on being 'COVID' safe from the Australian Department of Health on the Notice Board in the foyer.

MORNING TEA RESUMES BETWEEN SERVICES From Sept 6

We are excited to announce that morning tea will recommence between services, after the SA Government, LCA District and our own Church Council have given the go ahead. The first morning tea will be held on the 6th September from 9:30am in the church hall.



At least 3 volunteers will be needed each Sunday to prepare the hall, set up and tidy up afterwards. Extra helpers are needed, so please contact us to let us know of your availability!

You will be rostered on with an experienced person to get you started.

Morning tea will be done differently due to Covid-19, so we will all be learning together. If you are able to come on the roster, please speak to Marg Miller, Bev Paech or Val Schild, ASAP.

Be encouraged to volunteer for the above, as well as participating and inviting others to share in this time of reconnecting through serving and fellowship.

Directions for Morning Tea

- Leave the Church from the rear through the narthex door to outside, maintaining social distancing.
- Enter the Link through double doors from school car park and follow the sign/arrow to the hall
- Form a queue through the Link and follow the arrows.
- 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.



Volunteers:

Sept 6 – Val Schild, Ali Schulz, Bev Gogel

Sept 13 – Bev Paech, Jenny Girdham, Naomi Heinrich

Sept 20 – Marg Miller, Lisa Schultz, Joy Christian

St Marks Women's Fellowship

GREETING ROSTER



Dear members, Thank you to those who have volunteered to help with greeting in the future, your names will not appear on rosters for a while, however, you may be called on to fill in if needed. Christine Lockwood, Bev Paech, Emma Graetz, Ps David Buck.

Each week we need to have 2-3 volunteers available to welcome and direct members and visitors into our service. All instructions are provided, we just ask that you be at church 30mins before service starts.

While Sharon is away on leave, you can still call Erica at the church office 8391 1695 if you feel you can help.

Also required, a number of people that can help with the set up and control of the Link projection for each service. Once again, all the instruction and training will be supplied

– it is very easy to do (no technology or age skills required!)



RESOURCES FOR DISTRIBUTION

Bulletins and sermon manuscripts are available each week from the table in the Link. Members are encouraged to take copies and hand them on to others who are interested or unable to get to church. The same resources are available on the St Mark's website.



MandM's

Thursday September 17th,
starting at 6.30pm for tea –
please bring your own tea and
drink.

Learn how to crochet! –
please bring a ball of 8ply wool and a No.4 crochet
hook.



LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF AUSTRALIA PROFESSIONAL
STANDARDS
MINISTRY SUPPORT

LCA Safe Church

St Mark's Safe Church Training Day

Saturday 19th September in the Link
9:30am-4:30pm (sign in from 9:15am)
BYO morning tea, lunch and a pen

To register please email safechurch@stmarksmtbarker.org.au or add your name to the sign up sheet by the noticeboard. Registrations are required by Monday 14th September. All training costs are covered by the church and therefore free for you.

Online Training

Alternatively, you can complete Level 1 training online at your convenience. Visit <https://cvent.me/yRPOv2?RefId=SA-NT> [Online Level1](#) to register. Please let us know if you intend to complete the training online, so that we do not chase you about attending the training day.

Further information

In our efforts to ensure St Mark's is Safe Church compliant, we hope to have all volunteers trained by the end of September. For more information about Safe Church, visit the LCA website: www.lca.org.au/departments/ministry-support/professional-standards/training-prof-standards/

Please contact us if you have any questions, or if you need help with any part of the process. Thank you for your support in ensuring St Mark's is a safe community for all.

Andy & Joey Traeger

St Marks Safe Church Coordinators

Andy: 0409 671 974 | Joey: 0419 100 438

Email: safechurch@stmarksmtbarker.org.au

LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE

Now that Church services are beginning again, LCC would like to encourage our congregations to begin bringing in donations of food and grocery items again.

September Shopping list includes Tin Vegetables, Tin Fruit,



Toothbrushes & Ladies Underwear (new) 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
- Church Council Minutes



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING INFORMATION

Attendance 30th August 8.30 – 79 10.30 – 75 Total 154

Offering plates Sun Aug 30th \$1087.45. Reed \$50. Spray. \$14.45

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. St Mark's BSB 704942 account no. 100406459

LLL Redevelopment Account: BSB 704942 Account No: 100250491 Account name: *Mount Barker St Mark's Lutheran Church Plant 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.

The balance owing on the Redevelopment loan as at June 30 2020 is \$630,668. We borrowed \$800,000.

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

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK 6th Sept – 13th Sept 2020

Sun 6th Sept – Sunday Service – Traditional 8.30amHC Contemporary 10.30am.

Wed 9th Sept – Office open 9am – 1pm Erica Launer

Fri 11th Sept – Office 11am – 3pm Erica Launer

Sun 13th Sept – Sunday Service – Traditional 8.30am Contemporary 10.30amHC

ROSTERS			
Sunday	Sunday Sept 6, Pent 14	Sunday Sept 13 Pent 15	Sunday Sept 20 Pent 16
1st Reading	Exodus 12:1-14	Exodus 14:19-31	Exodus 16:2-15
Ps /Canticle	Psalms 149	Psalms 114	Psalms 105:1-6,37-45
2nd Reading	Romans 13:8-14	Romans 14:1-12	Philippians 1:21-30
Gospel	Matthew 18:15-20	Matthew 18:21-35	Matthew 20:1-16
1st SERVICE	8.30am HC	8.30am	8.30am HC
Elder/Pastr Ast	D Kuchel	M Tohl	A Curtis
Ushers	K&J Brinkmann	J Hodgson A Strauss	R&J Paech
Greeters	B & Jean Bart	& Jane Hill	L & E Marsh
Greeters	A Francis	Dawn Herbig	Julianne Ferris
Reading 1 & 2	Mark Frost	Jane Hill	R & J Paech
Music	Trevor Wegener	Charmaine Milburn	Lisa Grieger
Sound	Simon Milburn	David Schild	Mark Tohl
Computer	Jenny Girdham	Val Schild	Annthea Francis
2nd SERVICE	10.30am	10.30am HC	10.30am
Elder/Pastr Ast	C Kupke	K van de Meulengraaf	D Lockwood
Ushers	Meulengraaf family	J&S Heyne	T&G Weinert T&G Weinert
Greeters	T & G Weinert	J & D Lockwood	E Launer
Greeters	A & B Todd	S Bormann	R & B Kowald
Reading 1 & 2	Annette Cavies	Joy Christian	Vicki McNeil
Music	Leanne Mibus	Sue Kupke	Youth
Sound	Steve Crowder	Andre Kleinig	Steve Crowder
Computer	Debbie Zimmermann	Annette Cavies	Janice Cecil
Cleaning/Flowers	van de Meulengraaf	W Kuchel, W Anderson	Y. Menz, G Weinert
Vacuuming	No Vacuuming	Vacuuming	no vacuuming
Clean btwn Servs	J & R Paech	A Shillabeer V Schild	J Ferris, G Hein
Visiting	B Paech J Girdham	B Paech J Girdham	B Paech J Girdham
Morning Tea	V Schild A Schulz B Gogel	BPaech JGirdham NHeinrich	M Miller L Schultz J Christian

Pastor: Ben Pfeiffer **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

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