



Welcome to
ST MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mt Barker
Fifth Sunday in Lent
17th March 2024

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

DIVINE SERVICE We thank Ps David Christian for leading us in worship today

8.30am Service with Holy communion – LHS858, LHS853, LHS875, LHS804

10.30am Service of the Word – AT95, AR65, What the Lord has done in me, The Power of your love

SERMON

Text: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Theme: Joining Jesus in building a peacemaking community of love

- Following a weeping saviour in a world of weapons and war,
- Forming a peacemaking community of love.
- Fostering communities that bring life and healing.

BIBLE READINGS

- 📖 Jeremiah 31:31-34
- 📖 Psalm 119:9-16
- 📖 Hebrews 5:5-10
- 📖 John 13:1-17, 31b-38



PRAYER

M: Let us pray that we remain united in Christ

C: Almighty God, look in mercy on us, your community. By your great goodness, guide and protect us forever in body and soul. Inspire and enable us to love one another as you have loved us, sowing and growing your peace, so that, through us, those who don't know you yet may also be drawn into your community. 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 Luke 8:26-39

Tue Luke 8:40-56

Wed Luke 9:1-20



Thurs Luke 9:21-43a

Fri Luke 9:43b-62

Sat Psalm 118:1,2,19-29

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

The work of ALWS around the world
Church outreach stall at Mt Barker Show
Preparations for Easter services

GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's School:** Rachel Mackenzie, Elizabeth Marsh, Janine Messenger
- ❖ **People in Civic Authority:** King Charles III
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** Manager of Lutheran Media, Dr Tania Nelson
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** Grace Lutheran Church, Bridgewater
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Revival City Church

This Week's BIRTHDAYS

17th March ~ Kevin Przibilla

19th March ~ Trevor Liebelt, Katrina Phillips

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

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

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Australian Lutheran World Service

This Sunday we welcome Jonathon & Julie Krause from ALWS to both services. They will be making presentations on the work of ALWS and how your contributions make a difference in people's lives.



EASTER SERVICES

March 24th – Passion Sunday

8.30am and 10.30am HC

March 28th – Maundy Thursday

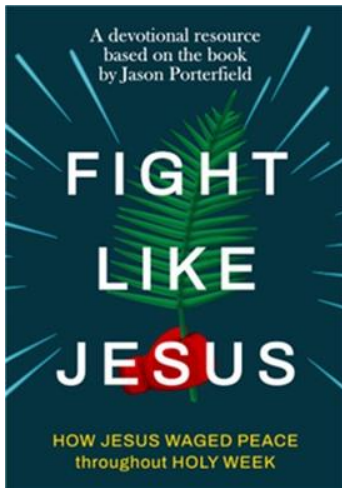
7.30pm HC

March 29th – Good Friday

8.30am and 10.30am

March 31st – Easter Sunday

6.30am Dawn Service HC & 9.00am HC



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 21st @ St Mark's, Mt Barker

February 28th @ Peace Lutheran Church, Salem

March 6th @ St Michael's, Hahndorf

March 13th @ St Paul's, Hahndorf

March 20th @ Strathalbyn

Carpooling is encouraged.



MARY'S and MARTHA'S 19th March 6.30pm

This month we will begin with a BYO tea, 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. Meet in school staff room.

RED CROSS LIFEBLOOD



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

PALM SUNDAY PRAYERS 24th March 12 noon

Meet at the Aston Hills school land site on corner of Sims and Paech road. You are invited to join us for a time of prayer seeking God's guidance for the use of this land and God's blessing upon the land and the Aston Hills community.

NEW ROSTER

The next roster for April - July is now available on the table in the foyer. This will also be accessible on the church website under 'Members' from 1st April.

Remember: if you are unable to fill your rostered role, please arrange a replacement.

MT BARKER SHOW OUTREACH 23rd 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

JAFFA March 24th



We are excited to welcome children in Years 4 – 6 to our next JAFFA for 2024! Join us from 1:30 – 3:30pm in St Mark's Church Link for **JAFFA Easter Challenge: Codename - TOMB EMPTY!** Contact Emma Graetz on 0418 898 430 or emmagraetz@gmail.com to RSVP by Friday March 22 or for any questions you might have. Cost \$4.00. Looking forward to seeing you there!

LADIES FELLOWSHIP 26th March

All ladies are welcome at our next meeting, held in the Link. Hanna Schulz will speak about her ongoing work in PNG as a Bible translator. BYO lunch at 12:00, 1:45pm Bible Study (Nicodemus), 1:30pm Business, 2:00 Guest Speaker after which afternoon tea will be served. Hostesses are Margaret Friebe and Val Schild. If you need more information please contact Rosalie Kowald 0401 640 413.

PASTORAL CARE TRAINING



LCANZ is launching a Pastoral Care Training Program. If you are interested in developing Pastoral Care skills and would like an opportunity for training, a new program has been designed for this purpose as part of the 'Way Forward Project'. Applications should be submitted by 31st March 2024. Details are available on the webpage - <https://www.lca.org.au/mmleaders/pastoral-care/>

SCHOOL CONSTITUTION



The St Mark's School's constitution has been approved and is now effective. A letter to congregation members giving more details has been provided in member pigeon holes.

MISSION SUPPORT PROJECTS

As our congregation has supported mission projects of Asia Focus Australia and PNG English teacher Katherine Zanke for the last 2 years, we are now seeking suggestions for a new mission project/s, which will be decided at the AGM. Please submit any suggestions to Deb van de Meulengraaf and thank you all for your generous support of these projects.

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 before 30th March.



NOVO CAMP

Jehovah Jireh – The Lord Provides

NOVO is a statewide camp for students in years 7-12. Information & registration: blueprintministries.org.au/camps/novo

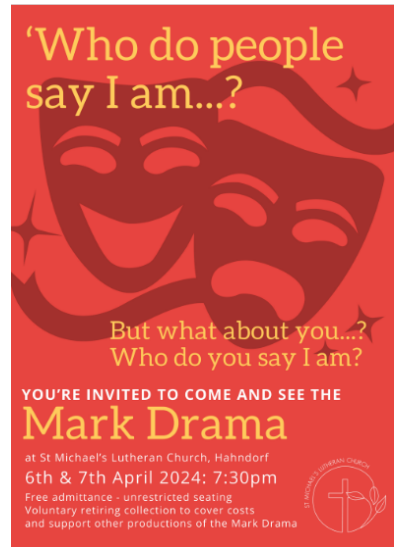
Hill View Lutheran Services to the Disabled Inc

The HVLSD board is seeking expressions of interest for a board member and consultants (non-voting members). In particular, the board is succession planning for the role of Chair as well as building sub-committee membership in the areas of property and finance/audit. There are approximately 8 meetings per year and minimal email communication in between. Please prayerfully consider this for yourself or others that you may encourage. For further information, contact David Schild (Chair) or Angela Strauss (Secretary).

LLL CHANGES



As the LLL transitions to a Religious Charitable Development Fund there will be some changes to how accounts are managed. A meeting to provide the latest information and answer questions will be held **Wed 3rd April 7.00pm at Christ Church Lutheran Church, 31 Swanport Rd, Murray Bridge.** If you cannot attend but would still like to be involved, please email events@lll.org.au as a second meeting (online) may be available in April or May. Please RSVP to events@lll.org.au by Friday 29th March



7 MONTHS TO GO!

In October 2024 General Synod delegates will be voting on a proposal to allow for the LCA NZ 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

Sign up to Way Forward eNews www.lca.org.au/wf-signmeup



For March Lutheran Care are 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

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Weekly Newsletters available from the website



ROSTERS	March 17	March 24	March 28	March 29
Sunday	Lent 5	Passion Sunday	Maundy Thursday	GOOD FRIDAY
1st Reading	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Ex 12:1-4(5-10)11-14	Isaiah 52:13 -53:12
Ps /Canticle	Psalms 119:9-16	Psalms 31:9-16	Psalms 116:1,2,12-19	Psalms 22
2nd Reading	Hebrews 5:5-10	Phil 2:5-11	1 Cor11:23-26	Hebrews10:16-25
Gospel	John 13:1-17,31b-38	Mark: 15: 1-15	John 13:1-17, 31b-35	
1st SERVICE	8.30am HC	8.30am	7.30pm HC	8.30am
Elder/Pastr Ast	Mark Tohl	Mark Tohl	Ben Footner	Mark Tohl
Ushers	B Jackson, S Moore	W Anderson, P Andrejic	R & J Paech	M Tohl & A Francis
Greeters	Marsh Family	Christine Lockwood	Dawn Herbig	Wendy Anderson
Reading 1 & 2	Colin Schultz	Paul Andrejic	Allen Meissner	Kerry Brinkmann
Music	David Buck	Greg Lockwood	Trevor Wegener	David Buck
Sound	David Schild	Garry Hodgson	David Schild	Garry Hodgson
Computer	Anthea Francis	J Ferris	Val Schild	Jane Hill
2nd SERVICE	10.30am	10.30am HC		10.30am
Elder/Pastr Ast	Symon Gogel	David Lockwood		Kym van de M
Ushers	V McNeil, M Pfeiffer	S & J Heyne		T & G Weinert
Greeters	Kathy Golder	Jim & Sue O'Higgins		Emma Graetz
Reading 1 & 2	Symon Gogel	Chloe Footner		Debbie Zimmermann
Music	David Heyne	Leanne Mibus		Leanne Mibus
Sound	Steve Crowder			Andre Kleinig
Computer	Cooper Kupke	Zack Schwarz		Annette Cavies
Clean/Flowers	J Pfeiffer, B Schultz	D Zimmerman, E Graetz	L Marshall, S Heyne	
Morning tea	J Hodgson, M Miller	J Girdham, N Heinrich		
Visiting	D Herbig, K Golder	D Herbig, K Golder		

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE and OFFERINGS

Attendance 10th March: 8.30am 58 10.30am 65 (61) Total 119

Giving 10th March (plate): General \$1250 Redev \$ 62 PNG \$ 20 Asia Focus \$100

Required Monthly \$23,653 Feb \$18,180 (Plate \$6,900, Electronic \$11,280)

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.ill.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 to inform them) or eftpos terminal rear of the church.

CHURCH CALENDAR 17th March – 31st March 2024.

Sunday	17th	Services	8.30am 9.45am 10.30am	Holy Communion Sunday School Service of the Word
Mon	18 th	Office Open Mainly Music	9.00am – 12.00pm 9.30am	
Tues	19 th	Lifeblood Red Cross Office Open M & M's Evangelism Meeting	All day 9.00am-12.00pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	
Wed	20 th	Lifeblood Red Cross Office Open Lenten Bible Study	All day 9.00am – 1.00pm 7.30pm	Strathalbyn
Thur	21 st	Lifeblood Red Cross	All day	
Fri	22 nd	Lifeblood Red Cross Office Open	All day 9.00am – 1.00pm	
Sat	23 rd	Mt Barker Show		
Passion Sunday	24th	Services Palm Sunday Prayers JAFFA	8.30am 9.45am 10.30am 12.00pm 1.30 – 3.30pm	Service of the Word Sunday School Holy Communion Aston Hills
Mon	25 th	Office Open Mainly Music	9.00am-12.00pm 9.30am	
Tues	26 th	Office open Women's fellowship	9.00am-12.00pm From 12.00pm	
Wed	27 th	Office open	9.00am-1.00pm	
Thurs	28th	Office open Maundy Thursday	9.00am-1.00pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion
Fri	29th	Good Friday	8.30am 10.30am	Service of the Word Service of the Word
Easter Sunday	31st	Dawn Service	6.30 am 9.00am	Holy Communion Holy Communion

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