



DIVINE SERVICE

8.30am Traditional Service – Father welcomes, The church's one foundation, While yet the morn is breaking, How shall I call you?

10.30am Contemporary Service with Holy Communion – What the Lord has done in me, In Christ Alone, I'm so secure.

SERMON THEME 'Drawn out of the water'

Text: Exodus 1:8-2:10

- Desperate times
- Desperate measures
- Deliverance then and now

BIBLE READINGS

- 📖 Exodus 1:8-2:10
- 📖 Psalm 124
- 📖 Romans 12:1-8
- 📖 Matthew 16:13-20



PRAYER

M: Almighty and eternal God, thank you for your powerful word, and the waters of baptism, by which you make us your children. Help us to receive what you promise, love what you command and walk in your ways. 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.

C: Amen.

DEVOTIONAL READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Mon 24th Joshua 24:1,2a 14-18

Tues 25th John 3:25 - 36

Wed 26th Acts 5:27 - 32



Thur 27th Acts 26:19 - 29

Fri 28th 1 Peter 2:4 - 10

Sat 29th Psalm 26:1 - 8

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 baptized 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.

GUIDELINES RE 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

PRAYER POINTS

Gordon Marshall, in Heathfield Residential Care
 Carlene Zweck, recovering from a broken patella
 Bernard Jackson and Lyn Wilson who married yesterday August 22nd
 Pippa Kluske who will be baptized today in 8.30am service
 All impacted by COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions

GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's Lutheran School:** Ellen Lyall, Rachel Mackenzie, Janine Messenger
- ❖ **People in Civil Authority:** Local Federal MP, Rebekha Sharkie
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** Bishop David Altus
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** St Mark's Lutheran School
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Flaxley Uniting Church
- ❖ **Lutheran Church of Australia, International Mission.** Listed prayer points

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Aug 24th ~ *Wesley Heddles*

Aug 27th ~ *Ethan Heinrich, Louis Schwarz, Gordon Summerling*

Aug 28th ~ *Oliver Cavies*

Aug 29th ~ *Thomas Pfeiffer*

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



KLUSKE BAPTISM

This Sunday we celebrate the baptism of Pippa Kluske at the 8:30am service. Our thoughts and prayers are with Pippa, parents Brianna and Justin, brothers Oscar and Felix, and Godparents Lauren Boehm and Byron Kluske, on this special occasion.

ERICA'S RESIGNATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Erica Launer recently gave notice of her resignation and retirement beginning September 25th 2020 after serving us as office secretary since May 20th 2009. We thank Erica for her hard work and dedication over many years and many changes in the life of our congregation. We look forward to still having her as part of our St Mark's community.

SHARON ON LEAVE

Sharon Heyne will be on annual leave for the next two weeks. Casey Work, Jenny Curtis and Julie Pfeiffer will be assisting with the worship coordinator role during that time. Please see one of them or Pastor Ben for any matters relating to worship. We thank Sharon for all her hard work so far this year.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

In September we plan on welcoming some new members to St Mark's. Please speak to Pastor Ben soon if you are interested in being involved or know someone who might be.



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Return to Worship Guidelines 23rd July 2020

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 up from the front, only in 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 worship services. Their responsibilities include knowledge of the congregation's COVID safe plan, completion of an online training course and monitoring of social distancing. This week Ian Pfeiffer (8:30am) and Matt Hutchinson (10:30) will act as our COVID Marshals, as we finalize who will take on this role in the longer term. If our Marshals remind or request something of you in line with our COVID safe practices, please listen to them and follow instructions out of care and respect for others.

MORNING TEA BETWEEN SERVICES

Our State Government and LCA District now permit morning tea to be served at churches under certain parameters and our Church Council has also given approval for this to happen. However, given the extra work required in set up, spacing, serving and cleaning up, we have decided to wait until more helpers are available. Please give prayerful consideration to whether you might be able to assist in this area and let Marg Miller or Bev Paech know. We look forward to the resumption of these times of fellowship in the not-too-distant future.

APPROVAL SOUGHT FOR ERECTION OF COURTYARD SHADE AT AUGUST 30th MEETING

Church Council proposes that a vergola and extension blind be built to provide some shade in the courtyard area (as per the presentation given to the AGM), subject to finances becoming available. A presentation will be given and congregational approval will be sought at meetings after both services on August 30.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO.. 5th SUNDAY SERVICE, 30TH AUGUST

No combined service next week (5th Sunday) Normal service times 8.30am and 10.30am both without Holy Communion.

BE COVIDSAFE

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

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.

NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL August, 2020

- **Erica Launer** has announced her intention to retire on Sept 25.
- **Sharon** is on 3 weeks leave from August 18. Casey Work, Julie Pfeiffer and Jenny Curtis are filling in.
- **Morning tea** will be held off until more helpers are identified to cover all the COVID requirements.
- **Pastor** is about to begin a group marriage preparation course.
- **Confirmation Service** will be Nov 15th or 22nd. 21 students in the course.
- **Under-18 ministries** except Sunday School have resumed i.e. Play Group, Mainly Music, Youth, Jaffa.
- Lisa Grieger will organise **Operation Christmas Child** this year.
- **Church camp** will be held over till next year due to the COVID situation.
- **Finances** are healthy. We will probably be ineligible for JobKeeper after September. \$7000 has been received from Red Cross for facilities hire.
- **Property.** Water leaks in the 'old narthex' roof and pipe under the front lawn are being fixed; a storage master plan developed; and quotes sought for a floor trap, new floor tiling and relocation of cabinetry in the manse laundry.
- **Courtyard shade.** Approval will be sought at meetings after both services on Aug 30.

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!)



HUNGRY NO MORE

Our youth group would like to thank the many members who donated money and food items for the meal we served at Hungry No More on the 9 August. It was an honour to serve our Mt Barker community through this ministry opportunity.

SENIOR YOUTH

Our next youth event will be a games afternoon today (23 August) in the Link from 12noon-3pm. The cost will be \$5, which will contribute towards lunch. For more information, please chat to any of the youth leaders. All students in years 7-12 are welcome.

LADIES FELLOWSHIP MEETS TUESDAY 25TH AUGUST

Will start at 12.30pm, with Bible study and short business.

Other Members of the congregation are welcome to come from 1.45 to hear Pastor David Christian talk on his teaching in Vietnam.

ST MARKS MATTERS

Seeking articles for the next issue. Deadline 25th September. Please email 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

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
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LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE WINTER APPEAL

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.

August Shopping list includes, Toothpaste, Packet soup, Long Life Milk, and spaghetti

However 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, tins of vegetables, pasta and rice. Toilet paper (in small bags) and 2 minute noodles and other small meal parcels. Also in big need is blankets, gloves, fingerless gloves sock for ages and mens underwear.



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WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING INFORMATION

Attendance 16th August 8.30 – 77 (HC - 56) 10.30 – 83 Total 160
Offering plates Sunday Aug 16th General \$1082.75 Redevelopment \$27.20
 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 you can use these details. BSB 704942 Account 100909094 Account Name: St Marks Lutheran Church. Church Redevelopment](#)

The LLL advises that effective 1 April 2020, the interest rate on Savings Accounts has changed from 1.50% to 1.00% per annum

LLL now has a phone banking app, see this link for more information:

www.ill.org.au/app

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK 23rd Aug – 30th Aug 2020

Sun 23rd Aug– Sunday Service – Traditional 8.30am Contemporary 10.30amHC

Wed 26th Aug– Office open 9am – 1pm Erica Launer

Fri 28th Aug– Office 11am – 3pm Erica Launer

Sun 30th Aug– Sunday Service–Traditional 8.30am Contemporary 10.30am. No HC either service

ROSTERS			
Sunday	Sun... Aug 23, Pent 12	Sun.. Aug 30, Pent 13	Sun... Sept 6, Pent 14
1st Reading	Exodus 1:8-2:10	Exodus 3:1-15	Exodus 12:1-14
Ps /Canticle	Psalm 124	Psalm 105:1-6,23-26,45c	Psalm 149
2nd Reading	Romans 12:1-8	Romans 12:9-21	Romans 13:8-14
Gospel	Matthew 16:13-20	Matthew 16:21-28	Matthew 18:15-20
1st SERVICE	8.30am	8.30am	8.30am HC
Elder/Pastr Ast	C Kupke	M Tohl	D Kuchel
Ushers	J Hodgson	D&V Schild	K&J Brinkmann
Ushers cont...	A Strauss		
Greeters	Jane Hill Dawn Herbig	Jan & Garry Hodgson	B & Jean Bart
Greeters	Julianne Ferris	R & C Foyle	A Francis
Reading 1 & 2	Kerry Brinkmann	Bev Schultz	Mark Frost
Music	Trevor Wegener	Lisa Grieger	Trevor Wegener
Sound	James Ziersch	Mark Tohl	Simon Milburn
Computer	Judith Paech	Annthea Francis	Jenny Girdham
2nd SERVICE	10.30am HC	10.30am	10.30am
Elder/Pastr Ast	M Hutchinson	M Hutchinson	C Kupke
Ushers	G Foyle	S Moore	Meulengraaf family
	V McNeil	G Turner	
Greeters	Hermesen family	J & S O'Higgins	T & G Weinert
Greeters	A & N Heinrich	V McNeil	A & B Todd
Reading 1 & 2	Debbie Zimmermann	Symon Gogel	Annette Cavies
Music	Youth	Casey Work	Leanne Mibus
Sound	Steve Crowder	Dale Cavies	Steve Crowder
Computer	Kupke family	Vicki McNeil	Debbie Zimmermann
Cleaning/Flowers	D Herbig, M Klenke	W Przibilla, S O'Higgins	van de Meulengraaf
Vacuuming	No Vaccuming	Vaccuming	No Vaccuming
Clean btwen Servs	J Ferris G Hein	J Pfeiffer J Curtis	J & R Paech
Visiting	B Paech J Girdham	B Paech J Girdham	B Paech J Girdham

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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