



Welcome to  
**ST MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mt Barker**  
 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
**HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

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

### DIVINE SERVICE

**9.30am Service with Holy Communion:** LH814, AT361, LH563, Blessed Be Your Name

### SERMON

Theme: Thanks be to God


Text: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The seed of generosity

The harvest of thanksgiving


The supply chain of God's grace

### BIBLE READINGS

 Deuteronomy 8:7-18

 Psalm 65

 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

 Luke 17:11-19



### PRAYER

M: Let us pray.

C: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank you that you have again shown your kindness by giving us the fruits of the earth in their seasons. Help us to use them rightly, to your glory, for our own well-being, and for the relief of those in need. 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** Isaiah 57:1–13

**Tue** Isaiah 57:14–21

**Wed** John 1:1–18



**Thurs** John 1:19–28

**Fri** John 1:29–34

**Sat** Psalm 112:1–9 (10)

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 free communion wafers are available for people with an intolerance to dairy, gluten, or wheat

## PRAYER POINTS

Staff and students returning to school

LCA Synod in Melbourne Feb 9-12

Healing for those recovering from surgery or illness

For safety for those travelling

For protection from flooding

## GENERAL PRAYER POINTS

- ❖ **St Mark's School:** all staff as they prepare for the new school year
- ❖ **People in Civic Authority:** Local State MP Heslen, Josh Teague
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Leaders:** SA-NT 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Bishop Joel Cramer
- ❖ **Our Lutheran Zone:** Redeemer, Nairne
- ❖ **Our Local Churches:** Infuse

## THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

**30<sup>th</sup> January** ~ Bradley Foyle, Breanna Luxon,  
Hunter Moon

**1<sup>st</sup> February** ~ Myrna Badesso, Hedley Vogt

**3<sup>rd</sup> February** ~ Vicki McNeil

**4<sup>th</sup> February** ~ Louis Forbes

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



## HARVEST THANKSGIVING 29<sup>th</sup> January

This Sunday we celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving, giving thanks for all that God provides for us every day. Thank you for your contributions of food and thank you to those who have created a beautiful display.

The food items will be donated to Lutheran Care.



## MID-WEEK SERVICE 1<sup>st</sup> February

This Wednesday at 11.00am we will hold our first mid-week service for the year. All are welcome with a shared lunch held afterwards.

## BLESSING OF SCHOOL STAFF 5<sup>th</sup> February



Next Sunday at the 10.30am service we will hold a special rite of blessing for all St Mark's School staff. Please join us as we pray for God's blessing on the important work carried out by the school staff.

## PLAYGROUP HELPERS NEEDED

St Marks playgroup runs on Friday mornings at 9:30am in the link and provides a space for parents, children and grandparents to meet, play and grow together. This is also a special opportunity to connect to our school families as the program runs straight after weekly chapel services. We are currently looking for some new leaders to join the team. Please speak to Pastor Ben if you are interested.



## MAINLY MUSIC



Our **mainly music** year kicks off again Monday 6 February at 9.30 What an encouraging year we had in 2022. I've written before how we appreciated your involvement in so many ways during that year.

This ministry is fertile ground for revealing Jesus to families in our local community. These weekday ministries flourish when they operate with the acknowledgement, involvement and support of you the Sunday congregation. Please pray for the **mainly music** team and the families that attend. Our families will appreciate that their children, and by extension their families, are being prayed for by you the congregation.

We'll keep you updated as to any needs we may have during the year. But PRAYER first is our every week need.

Thank you to those already offering help with the kitchen roster. Please come for a visit anytime. We often need more laps!!!

Jane and Annette, mainly music co leaders

## OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Can you spare 3 hours on a Monday or Tuesday morning once or twice a month to help out in the church office? The main tasks are answering the phone and welcoming any visitors. Other tasks can be tailored to your interests and skills. Please speak to Pastor Ben or Janice Cecil



## CHURCH LIBRARY



A selection of resources for your summer reading/viewing pleasure are on display in the Link. Many of these have been generously donated by our members and friends - thank you. Please record loan details in the borrowing book, found within the Church Library cupboard. Blessings, Lisa Grieger

## LOST PROPERTY

A special Adelaide Crows cap (similar to picture) was left at the Christmas Eve service. If this is yours, it is in the church office.



## UPCOMING EVENTS for YOUTH MINISTRY

- RENEW Camp (Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>) Dzintari campsite (Normanville) for young adults and those who have just finished high school
- Mainly Music Leaders Hub (Hahndorf) Thursday 16th Feb 1.00pm
- Young Adult “Welcome Event” Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February@ 6.00pm, particularly for school leavers. See noticeboard for more details
- Amplify Children’s & Youth Ministry Conference Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> (Langmeil / Hahndorf + other locations) See poster on noticeboard.
- Save the Date: Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023 – Blueprint Ministries Dinner



## HUNGRY NO MORE 2023

Thanks to the Mt Barker Uniting Church we have this wonderful opportunity to serve our community by providing an evening meal on the following Sundays. Closer to the dates information will be available regarding numbers. This year our dates and contact persons are: Feb 26<sup>th</sup> Men's Group (Kym van de Meulengraaf), July 2<sup>nd</sup> Care Group (Jane Hill), Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Ladies Fellowship (Rosalie Kowald). Thank you all so much. Rosalie 0401 640 413

## ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN HOMES



St. Paul's  
Lutheran Homes | Hahndorf

Notice is hereby given that an **Extra-ordinary General Meeting of St. Paul's Lutheran Homes Hahndorf** has been called and will be held on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023** commencing at 11am in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Hall, 10 Mt. Barker Rd. Hahndorf. The purpose of this meeting is to obtain member approval for three resolutions relating to the future ownership and operation of St. Paul's Lutheran Homes Hahndorf. All Registered Members of the Company are invited to attend.

## DIRECTORY CHANGES/CORRECTIONS

Friebel, Fred & Margrit: unit 60/1 Lysander Ct NOT unit 6.

Heyne, James & Sharon: moved to 23 Gollan Circuit, Mt Barker

Golder, George & Kathy: please delete landline phone number

## LUTHERAN NURSES AUST. 6<sup>th</sup> February

All Healthcare workers, members and visitors are invited to attend our meeting with John van Ruth presenting on Lutheran Disability Services, at 7.30 pm at 137 Archer Street, North Adelaide, at LCA/SA District Office. Entry through rear door with 2 hour CDP evidence provided. Phone Rose Howard 0410 463 649



## MISSION PROJECTS

Thank you for your generous financial support of English teacher Cathryn Zarnke at Martin Luther Seminary in PNG. Please continue your support for both this project, and our support of Asia Focus in Vietnam, by placing an offering in an envelope marked 'Asia Focus' (Vietnam) or 'LCA Mission International' (PNG). You can also transfer funds electronically through our congregation account, but please send an email to treasurer Adrian Curtis, to confirm the amount and project it is intended for.



For February Lutheran Care are seeking donations of:  
Tea, Coffee, Sugar, 2 Minute Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Soap

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

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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Weekly Newsletters available from the website

<b>ROSTERS</b>	<b>Jan 29</b>	<b>Feb 5</b>	<b>Feb 12</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>HARVEST THANKSGIVING</b>	<b>Epiphany 5</b>	<b>SYNOD Epiphany 6 / Proper 1</b>
<b>1st Reading</b>	Micah 6:1-8	Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12)	Deuteronomy 30:15-20
<b>Ps /Canticle</b>	<i>Psalm 15</i>	<i>Psalm 112:1-9(10)</i>	<i>Psalm 119:1-8</i>
<b>2nd Reading</b>	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	1 Corinthians 2:1-16	1 Corinthians 3:1-9
<b>Gospel</b>	Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 5:13-20	Matthew 5:21-37
<b>1st SERVICE</b>	<b>9.30am HC</b>	<b>8.30am HC</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
<b>Elder/Pastr Ast</b>	Dale Cavies	Symon Gogel	Ben Footner
<b>Ushers</b>	S Moore, K & D vdM	K & J Brinkmann	D & A Shillabeer
<b>Greeters</b>	A Francis & K Golder	M & K Mills	Wendy Anderson
<b>Reading 1 &amp; 2</b>	Bev Schultz	Margrit Friebe	Jon Footner
<b>Music</b>	L Grieger & S Kupke	Greg Lockwood	Casey Work
<b>Sound</b>	Steve Crowder	Simon Milburn	David Schild
<b>Computer</b>	Janice Cecil	Judith Paech	Val Schild
<b>2nd SERVICE</b>		<b>10.30am Blessing of School Staff</b>	<b>10.30am HC</b>
<b>Elder/Pastr Ast</b>		David Lockwood	Kym Van de M
<b>Ushers</b>		K & D van de M	K Przibilla & J Hill
<b>Greeters</b>		Sharon Heyne	Joy Christian
<b>Reading 1 &amp; 2</b>		Joy Christian	Symon Gogel
<b>Music</b>		David Heyne	Lisa Grieger
<b>Sound</b>		Andre Kleinig	Dale Cavies
<b>Computer</b>		Vicki McNeil	Kupke family
<b>Clean/Flowers</b>	J Ferris, J Hill	W Przibilla, S O'Higgins	van de M family
<b>Vacuuming</b>	will do vacuuming	will do vacuuming	no vacuuming
<b>Morning tea</b>	V Schild & A Schulz	M Mills & A Cavies	C Lockwood & E Stevenson
<b>Visiting</b>		D Herbig & K Golder	D Herbig & K Golder

## **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE and OFFERING INFORMATION**

**Attendance** 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan: 9.30am: 111 (101)

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

Plate 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan: General: \$1328.00 PNG \$10.00

Required Monthly \$22,466 Giving Nov. \$31,397 (Plate \$15092, Electronic \$16305)

Balance owing Redevelopment loan as at 30/9/22 is \$410,087. We borrowed \$800,000.

**REG (Regular Electronic Giving)** members can give electronically via the Lutheran Laypeople's League. Forms are available in the 'REG' pigeonhole or online at [www.lll.org.au](http://www.lll.org.au). **St Mark's details:** BSB 704942, Account no. 100406459

**If you wish 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, Account 100909094**

**Mission Project donations:** place in plate in a labelled envelope (either Asia Focus or PNG) or give via direct deposit to St Mark's general account and email treasurer to inform them of your donation: [stmarks.mb.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:stmarks.mb.treasurer@gmail.com)

**CHURCH CALENDAR 29<sup>th</sup> January – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023.**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>Service</b> <b>Harvest Thanksgiving</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
Mon	30 <sup>th</sup>	Office Open School Council	9.00am – 12.00pm 7.30pm	
Wed	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Office Open <b>Mid-week Service</b>	9.00am – 1.00pm <b>11.00am HC</b>	Shared lunch
Fri	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Office Open	9.00am – 1.00pm	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Services</b> <b>Blessing of School Staff</b>	<b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Service of the Word</b>
Mon	6 <sup>th</sup>	Office Open Mainly Music	9.00am – 12.00pm 9.30am	
Tues	7 <sup>th</sup>	Office Open	9.00am – 12.00pm	
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	Office Open	9.00am – 1.00pm	
Fri	10 <sup>th</sup>	Office Open	9.00am – 1.00pm	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b> <b>Holy Communion</b>

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