



LANGMEIL THANKSGIVING LUTHERAN CHURCH



“JOYFULLY BRINGING GOD’S LOVE, PEACE AND HEALING TO ALL”

JULY 16 2023

PENTECOST 7



WELCOME to everyone worshipping with us. We are pleased that you have joined us. Our prayer is that the Holy Spirit would enlighten and empower all of us through the message. Join us for a cuppa! Thank you to **Pastor Brian Schwarz** for leading our services today.

The sick, their families and carers:

Jean and Bernard Lane, Lynne Moore, Peter Tscharke, Helen Munzberg, Margaret Hahn, Peter Boschen, Margaret Schliebs, Maurice and Vera Menz, Howard Kläebe, Penny Pfitzner and others with MS.

SBLC Groups and Ps Paul Kerber

ALPHA - OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY

We will be commencing the Alpha Course in mid-September. We need help from our **business members** in advertising this from mid-August. We would love to hear from anyone interested in assisting with our advertising campaign (by means of Facebook pages, displaying fliers, etc.). If you are interested in being part of this exciting project, please email Geraldine at eng.avent1@bigpond.com. or speak to her, Ev Leske or Grant Herrmann.

PRAYER FOR ALPHA COURSE

Dear Lord, we pray that your Spirit would open our hearts to the coming Alpha Course, so that we may faithfully spread the power of your Gospel message to our community.

‘FUEL’ NEXT SUNDAY, July 23!

BIRTHDAYS

16th Carol Modistach
19th David Boerth
21st Lily Hoffrichter

God bless your special day!

FOR YOUR DEVOTIONS

Sun 16 Matt. 13:1-9,18-23
Mon 17 John 17:12-19
Tues 18 John 17:20-26
Wed 19 John 20:1-18
Thurs 20 John 20:19-31
Fri 21 John 21:1-14
Sat 22 Psalm 86:11-17

THIS WEEK

- SUNDAY 16** Pastoral Care Workshop 2, 2-4 pm, at Grace St. Paul’s.
- TUESDAY 18** Hugamugs, 10 am, at Bean Addiction, Nuriootpa
Pastoral Care Workshop 2, 7-9 pm, at Langmeil
- WED 19** Mid-week worship, with HC, 2 p.m. at Grace St. John’s.
- THURS 20** Sprocket Rockets, meet at Langmeil 9:30 am. Coffee/ cake at B.V. Chocolate Co. Tanunda 10:30 am
- FRIDAY 21** Opals, 12 noon, lunch at Asian Tucker, Tanunda
- SUNDAY 23** FUEL, at Faith 10:30 a.m. Morning tea from 10 am.

PASTORAL CARE W’SHOP 2

FACE TO FACE WITH JESUS

Session topics

- Challenges with pastoral care
- Pastoral Care tools to approach those challenges
- Learn how to introduce Jesus into the conversation. Examples of how Jesus ministers when he is face to face with people.

Pastor Paul Kerber and the SBC Pastoral Care Team invite all members to engage and develop in being pastoral care people.

Two opportunities:

Sunday 16 July 2-4 pm at Grace St Paul’s OR Tuesday 18 July 7-9 pm at Langmeil.

SUNDAY JULY 30

This is our next combined SBC service at Faith Junior School at 9 a.m., with Bethany-Tabor organising.

This will be a shortened service, followed by a presentation by the SBC Team, who will be sharing their future SBC vision.

Access to the Harvest Centre for people with a disability is via the Jane Place entrance. The service will be live-streamed, as usual. Morning tea to follow.

Come along to worship our Saviour, support the Team, share fellowship with members from other congregations, and, very importantly, **learn about options for SBC’s future.**

MYANMAR APPEAL

Aust. Lutheran World Service has a new 5:1 grant from the Aust. Govt, following political crisis and flooding in Myanmar. This means any money you donate has 6 TIMES the impact! To donate to assist educating children forced to live in displaced person’s camps and empowering families to start businesses and expand farms, go to www.alws.org.au or on our offering plate in an envelope marked “Myanmar Appeal”

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



JULY 23

8:45 a.m. Trad. H.C.
Pastor Rob Voigt
10:30 a.m. FUEL at Faith Jn School

Bible Readings

Isaiah 44:6-8
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30,36-43



JULY 9

ATTENDANCE:

64 (8:45 am) + 69 (10:30 am) = 133

OFFERING:

\$1,474.65 + \$2,163.45 (REG)
= \$3,638.10

ALWS Myanmar Appeal: \$10

SOUP DAYS

You will all remember looking forward to homemade soup days at school!!! So how about soup and a roll, for a suggested donation of \$5, after both services here at Langmeil? This will be available on all Sundays during August, with proceeds going to Langmeil projects.
Any queries - Lorna Schiller, 0438 844 116

COMBINED MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Friday 28th July, 6pm.

At Schoenborn Shed Gomersal.

Karl Wittwer talking on European Defence Airspace and sharing his experience in the Space Industry.

BYO chair, food, drink and eating utensils.
BBQ available.

For further details, contact Trevor Braunack, 0409 633 829

THE BAROSSA CHURCH CRAWL ... ON TODAY!!

You're invited to be a part of a tag-along tour in the Barossa, visiting 3 sites full of Christian heritage and history.

First up, visit Gnadenberg Cemetery (2 pm, Moculta);

then the Old Union Chapel Penrice Road (3 pm, Angaston),

and finish at Zion Lutheran Church (3.30 pm, Angaston).

Guides for the day are retired Baptist minister Richard Ansoul and Pastor Rob Borgas (Zion Lutheran Church).

Gather at 1.30pm at Barossa Ark, 47 Murray St Nuriootpa, to commence the journey.

There's bound to be a spare seat in some vehicles, so if you don't want to drive and are happy to pop in with someone, please feel free to come along.

SKAUBRYN

Barossa Ark is delighted to stock a book by Dr. Godfrey Kunze: "Skaubryn - Linking Homelands". Now available for \$31.80.

A family fled East Germany after the Second World War and settled in Australia as refugees. Seven years old at the time, Gottfried tells of his family's travel and what his parents told him about their experiences of change by the war. The family experiences much support and encouragement as they settle in their new homeland. This history inspires hope for respect and integration of displaced people and is told to encourage current refugees to endure the hardships of leaving everything behind and making a new start in a suitable land. It is also an encouragement to the receiving country to show patience and tolerance toward the newcomers.

Godfrey has kindly accepted an invitation to speak briefly and sign books at a 'Meet the Author' at Barossa Ark, 47 Murray St. Nuriootpa, Sat. July 29, 10:00 am to 12 noon.

NOTICE OF MEETING

A special meeting of the congregation is called for 9:45am (between services) on 20th August 2023 to vote on acceptance of an updated constitution.

We invite you to read the draft constitution, and raise any questions or concerns you may have with a member of the Admin Team (Colleen Bryan, Richard Graetz, Grant Herrmann, Emma Hiscock, Helen Schild, Phillip Hiscock) before the special meeting.

Copies of the draft constitution have been circulated with this week's bulletin, and are available in The Link. There are a limited number of copies. Ask Colleen if you need one.

The time of 9:45 am is to allow time for any discussion that may eventuate.

THE CLEANER'S ROOM

The Cleaner's Room, in the passage-way to the toilets, has been tidied up to make it easier to manage.

The wet and dry mops now have removable heads.

After use, please:-

- remove mop heads and place them in the 'Used Mop Heads' container
- install clean mop head and hang the mop on the hook.

Wet and Dry mop-heads will be collected, washed and returned on a weekly basis.

LANGMEIL COFFEE MUGS

New, very good quality mugs, with the Langmeil Church logo, are going for a song - a gold coin donation - from the table in the fellowship area. There are 18 available, so feel free to take one or many!

ALC PRINCIPAL TO RETIRE

After nine years serving as Australian Lutheran College's principal, Pastor James Winderlich has announced his intention to end his tenure at the college by the end of 2023 and return to congregational ministry. Pastor Winderlich, whose original call was for four years, has been instrumental in leading ALC through some extremely challenging times, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

In reflecting on his decision, Pastor Winderlich said, 'I have spent considerable time contemplating my future, and I feel that God is calling me back to full word and sacrament ministry through one of the church's congregations/faith communities or agencies. While it will be sad for me to leave ALC, as it has been a big part of my life as a servant of Christ and his church, I confidently believe that God is clearly directing me and that the college will flourish under new and fresh leadership'.

He went on to say, 'I am thankful for God's faithfulness, strength and mercy throughout my nine years of service at ALC. It has been a time of significant change as God has shaped our community for continuing witness and service in new ways and places. I am grateful for the ALC Board's firm support throughout that time, together with the support of my colleagues, LANCZ leaders, congregations, departments/agencies, and members. I am enriched and humbled by the magnitude and generosity of that support and pray that God will continue to bless those that work and study at ALC over the coming years'.

In responding to Pastor Winderlich's announcement, Cheryl Bartel, chair of the ALC Board, said, 'James' tenure has overseen a remarkable yet challenging time in the life of the college. He has fulfilled his responsibilities with the highest level of integrity, competency, and grace. We will be deeply saddened to see him depart but know that God has a clear plan for the next stage in his journey of pastoral service.

Please pray for the college - its students, staff and volunteers as ALC enters into this new season.

Notice of Special Meeting to adopt an updated Constitution for Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Langmeil

A special meeting of the congregation is called for 9:45am (between services) on 20th August 2023 to vote on acceptance of an updated constitution.

Why (do we need to review and update our constitution)?

- We are an Incorporated Organisation, and we are required to operate as per our constitution.
- Our constitution was last reviewed in 2012.
- We have experienced many changes since then and the constitution no longer reflects how we operate. Thus we need to review and update our constitution accordingly.

How have we developed the Draft Constitution?

The LCA has recently updated their 'model' constitution that:-

- makes it simpler for congregations to make adjustments that suit their changing requirements.
- Includes updates that comply with legislative requirements for Incorporated bodies

The Admin Team has :-

- done an initial review of our constitution and our current active committees/teams.
- based this update on the model LCA constitution
- sought feedback and tentative approval from the LCA on the draft constitution

Overview (of the changes)

The main changes in the 'model constitution' are:-

- Reduction of the number of committees specified in the constitution.
- This provides ability for congregations to create and dissolve 'sub committees' as and when required – (without requiring an update to the constitution). Often these items were included in By-Laws which were part of the constitution
- Requirement to establish and maintain a 'Register of Members'
- Updates to ensure compliance with requirements for Incorporated bodies

The Draft Constitution lists the following team, standing committees/roles

- Admin Team – basically no significant changes as we are an incorporated body
- Standing Committees/Roles

- Nominations Committee – basically no change)
- Committee of Pastoral Assistants
- Lay-readers - basically no change
- Cemetery Curator

It is envisaged that the following existing Teams would become 'Standing Committees', but would not be listed in the constitution

- Ministry
- Worship
- Prayer

The revised constitution will enable the congregation to continue to effectively embrace and enact our Mission Statement 'Bringing the Hope and Healing of Jesus to the Community' whilst having the flexibility to make changes to remain compliant with the terms of the constitution and thus comply with our legal requirements as an Incorporated body.

How do we Change the Constitution?

- We provide copies of the draft constitution
- We give 21 days notice of holding a Special Meeting to vote on the draft constitution.
- On the day of the meeting we require a Quorum (58 people) which is of one quarter of our 230 voting members.
- Two thirds of voting members present have to vote in favour for the draft constitution to be passed.

We invite you to read the draft constitution and raise any questions or concerns you may have with a member of the Admin Team (listed below) before the special meeting.

We request that you attend this meeting to enable the congregation to vote on and accept the draft constitution

Yours in Christ

– Colleen Bryan, Richard Graetz, Grant Herrmann, Emma Hiscock, Helen Schild, Phillip Hiscock

Worship Schedule

Langmeil Lutheran Church, Tanunda

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| JULY | 16 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 23 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. FUEL, Harvest Centre |
| | 30 | 9:00 a.m. Combined service at Faith Junior School (Hosts: Bethany-Tabor) | |

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| AUGUST | 6 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 13 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. H.C. Contemp. |
| | 20 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 27 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. FUEL, Harvest Centre |

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| SEPT. | 3 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 10 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. 10:45 a.m. Funday Sunday service at Faith Junior School | |
| | 17 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 24 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. FUEL, Harvest Centre |

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| OCT | 1 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 8 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. H.C. Contemp. |
| | 15 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 22 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. FUEL, Harvest Centre |
| | 29 | Reformation 9:00 a.m. Combined service at Faith Junior School (Hosts: Grace/Schoenborn) | |

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| NOV | 5 | 8:45 a.m. Trad | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. H.C. |
| | 12 | 8:45 a.m. Trad H.C. | 10:30 a.m. Contemp. |