

Prayer



LANGMEIL THANKSGIVING LUTHERAN CHURCH



"JOYFULLY BRINGING
GOD'S LOVE, PEACE AND HEALING TO ALL"

OCT 1 2023

PENTECOST 18



The sick, their families and carers:

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

SBLG Groups and Ps Paul Kerber

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

**Daniel 6:2-16; Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 11:1-13**

SBC SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS OUTCOME

The results of the votes held at recent Special general Meetings across the Southern Barossa congregations was an overwhelming majority by each congregation to support the 'SBC Framing our Vision for the Future' document and to establish a Call Committee.

Representatives from each congregation have been elected to serve on the Call Committee and this committee will now convene in October to commence the Call process.

BIRTHDAYS

1st	David Rosenzweig
3rd	Walker Zimmermann
4th	Judith Hoffrichter
5th	Dean Chambers
	Ruby Garrett
6th	William McBride

God bless your special day!

FOR YOUR DEVOTIONS

Sun 1	Matthew 21:23-32
Mon 2	Mark 6:1-13
Tues 3	Mark 6:14-29
Wed 4	Mark 6:30-46
Thurs 5	Mark 6:47-56
Fri 6	Mark 7:1-23
Sat 7	Psalms 80:7-15

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 Paul Kerber** for leading our services today.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 1	Young Adults (Young Life) 5-7 pm at Langmeil .
MONDAY 2	Worship Team, 7:30 p.m.
TUESDAY 3	Hugamugs, 10 am, at Barossa Weintal Tanunda (<i>Note!</i>)
WED 4	Alpha, 6 pm at Langmeil
THURS 5	Sprocket Rockets, meet at Langmeil 9:30 am. Coffee/ cake at Barossa Weintal Tanunda, 10:30 am (<i>Note!</i>)

NOMINATIONS 2024

Can you please let Colleen know if you are interested in a position or unable to continue in your current role by the 8th October 2023.

Any questions, please let me know.
Thank you.

Emma Hiscock, Sec. Admin Team,
emma_hiscock@hotmail.com

LANGMEIL ANNUAL ELECTIONS MEETING Sunday Nov 5, between services.

Once again reports are required from each area of administration and ministry. These are due to the church office by **Wed Oct. 18.**

Any items for the Agenda to Emma Hiscock by the same date. Thanks!

INTRODUCING YOUNG LIFE GAP YEAR

A unique opportunity for high school graduates and young adults aged 17-25. A year to breathe, grow in faith, hone leadership skills and serve others. Young Life Gap Year is focused on Discipleship and Adventure, and will include an overseas trip as well as interstate travel and serving locally. Gappies can participate while living at home and keeping their part time job if applicable.

Applications close 30 November. Check out younglife.org.au/gapyear or contact Sophie Wilksch sophie@younglife.org.au for more info.

'WAY FORWARD' PROJECT

See pages 3-4 for a message from LCANZ Bishop Paul Smith about the Way Forward project and the Call to Prayer. Also on video [here](#)

EMERGENCY RELIEF

Lutheran Care has now opened in Tanunda, behind BankSA on MacDonnell Street, opposite the Club.

They are still needing goods for Emergency Relief. **2 minute noodles, long life full cream milk, large tinned tuna, tinned mixed vegetables, cereals.**

You are welcome to take these items to their Tanunda office, or place in the marked box in our fellowship area.

**Prayer is putting yourself
in the hands of God.**

Mother Teresa

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



OCTOBER 8

8:45 a.m. Trad. H.C.
10:30 am Contemp.
Pastor Jim Bryan

Bible Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46

SEPT 24

ATTENDANCE:

51 (8:45 am) + 38 (10:30 am) = 89

OFFERING:

\$711.40 + \$2,163.45 (REG)
= \$2,874.85

SPRING EVENTS!!!!

'THE ART OF DIALOGUE'

3:30pm, Sun 8th Oct

Barossa Regional Gallery

Andrew Georg's **Adelaide Cantata Band** returns with our spring performance series.

Come along to hear dialogues between Jesus and the Soul - conversations of suffering, longing and love. Also Kate MacFarlane, Pelham Andrews, Glenys March (harpsichord)

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1107940>

DAVE ANDERSON

FINAL AUSSIE CONCERT

Sunday October 8, 7 p.m.

at St. Petri Nuriootpa.

Freewill offering. Welcome!

MOVIE NIGHT

Sunday October 8, 7 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran hall Nuriootpa

"Jesus Revolution" \$5.

A PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON

15th October, 2.00pm

St Boniface Anglican Church Nuriootpa

Performance by Little Para Singers singing popular songs from current day to days gone by, followed by afternoon tea.

Raffle and door prizes Tickets \$10.00 from Sue Barratt on 0439499080

HERMANNSBURG

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION

1.30pm, Sunday 22 October

Bethany Lutheran Church

HERMANNSBURG:

PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Ntaria Choir of Hermannsburg.

3pm, Sunday 22 October

Barossa Regional Gallery, Tanunda.

A celebration of songs and stories.

Tickets for concert available from: <https://ntaria-choir-2023.eventbrite.com.au>

'REFLECTION AND INFLECTION'

A Musical Celebration of Barossa Heritage

Saturday, 28 October, 2.30 pm

at the Barossa Regional Gallery.

Adelaide's Kegelstatt Ensemble presents Chamber Music exploring the Barossa's German Heritage (Mozart, Brahms, Hindemith and a world premiere by Australian composer Robert Davidson). Adult \$40, Conc. \$30, Student \$20, Child (U 12) free. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/CLRPF.

AN AFTERNOON WITH NURIOOTPA TOWN BAND

2-4 p.m., Sunday 29 October

St Petri Lutheran Church Nuriootpa

Guest artists: KaDenCe Choir and students of Faith Lutheran College

\$10 early bird, \$15 at the door, \$5 students, children under 5 free

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/CLCQG>

DATES TO NOTE

ADMINISTRATION TEAM, Monday Oct 9, 7:30 p.m.

WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY, Wed. Sept 13, 2 pm at St John's with Pastor Paul. Short H.C. service. Afternoon tea. Welcome!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP, Thursday Oct 12, 1:30 pm at Langmeil Bible Study from October 'Lutheran Women'. Bring along your Confirmation Bible verse!

KIDS' CHURCH, Sunday October 15, during 10:30 am service.

OPALS, Friday Oct 20, lunch 12 noon, at the Angas Park Hotel Nuriootpa. *Note change of venue!*

MINISTRY TEAM, Monday Oct 23, 7:30 p.m.

HUGAMUGS / SPROCKET ROCKETS CAMP, Friday 27 - Tuesday 31 October at Brighton.

NEXT COMBINED SBLC SERVICE, Sunday October 29, 9 a.m. at Faith Junior School. Reformation theme. Followed by fellowship, games and shared lunch. More details later!

LANGMEIL ANNUAL ELECTIONS MEETING (Budget and Elections), Sunday Nov 5, between services.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Do you have a need to speak to a pastor? Please direct any requests for pastoral support through our Pastoral Support Team: Pastor Jim Bryan, 0421 344 662, Louisa Hiscock, 0407 633 016 Ev Leske, 0448 653 761, Noleen Mattschoss, 0438 137 810, Mark Pfitzner, 0428 198 111, Penny Pfitzner, 0488 952 211, Vicki Rochow, 0419 850 184, Don Ross, 85632108, Lorna Schiller, 0438844116

ROSTERS: OCTOBER 8

Flowers:	Jen Secker
HC Assist:	8:45 am - Malcolm Graue
Lay Host:	8:45 am - Ian Jaensch 10:30 am - Rod Chapman
Music:	8:45 am - Maryanne Pfitzner 10:30 am - Neil Lambert
Greeters:	8:45 am - Harald and Kath Sames 10:30 am - Andy and Marlene Thurlow
Reader:	8:45 am - Kath Clarke 10:30 am - Maureen Steinborner
Kids' Talk:	Vicki Rochow
P'point:	8:45 am - Tom Connell 10:30 am - Darrell Kaesler
Sound:	8:45 am - John Lindner 10:30 am - David Lindner
Cuppa:	8:45 am - David and Valerie West 10:30 am - Des and Lorna Schiller
Stewards:	8:45 am - Kevin Graue, David Braunack 10:30 am - Gary, Val and Jonathon Rainsford
Clean TLC:	Tim and Vicki Rochow, Rod and Pam Chapman, John and Kathleen Clarke
Altar Guild:	Hannelee Murphy (Oct.)
Yard Cleaning:	John Keil, Brian Zimmermann

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CALL TO PRAYER

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

Grace and peace in Christ to you.

When the disciple Peter stepped out of the boat onto the waves, he was responding to the voice of our Lord Jesus, who said, 'Come'. Peter was the first person to walk on water and, at the moment he despaired and started to sink, the Lord held fast to him. In his response to Peter, the Lord was saying, 'I've got this! I've got you!'

Sometimes when we respond to the Lord, we step into new and unknown places.

Our Lutheran Church in Australia and New Zealand has been asked by the Convention of General Synod, which gathered in Melbourne in February this year, to consider possible new ways forward. We have been asked to consider how we might possibly work as one church but with different practices of ordination. Some people in our church have figured that this would be quite easy to do. Other people in the church have figured that this kind of arrangement is unthinkable.

Across the church, there are sisters and brothers in Christ of our Lutheran communities working together in the Way Forward project to guide our church to consider what is required for us to properly address what has been asked for by the resolution at the Melbourne Convention.

Let me remind you of that resolution:

That General Synod direct the LCANZ General Church Board and the College of Bishops to:

- a) Work through the theological, constitutional, and governance requirements to operate as one church with two different practices of ordination and establish a detailed framework through which this could be accomplished, such as one or more existing LCANZ Districts becoming Districts that teach and practice the ordination of both women and men to the office of the public ministry or by establishing a non-geographical LCANZ 'District' that does so.
- b) Submit the fruit of this work in the form of a proposal that should be discussed by the LCANZ General Pastors Conference for Convention of General Synod 2024.
- c) It is the expectation of this General Convention of Synod that both women and men will be ordained in a District of the LCANZ during the 2024–2027 synodical period.

This project has a logo that represents both who we are and what it is that we are trying to do together, in this **Way Forward project**.



Firstly, do you see the logo is a circle? This circle indicates the unity that we have in our common baptism into Christ Jesus. We are in this journey together, not because we get on with each other or because we are related to one another, but because God has adopted each of us into his church through the water used together with God's word in the sacrament of baptism.

Next, do you see the path? Over these past decades, the path we have been taking in our churchwide discussions on ordination has been winding. Often difficult. And we admit that, from this part of the journey, the destination is not as clear as we might want it to be. But the Lord who called Peter to step out of the boat is with us – and ahead of us – calling us forward.

Thirdly, I invite you to notice that the logo includes people at the centre. We are the baptised people of God walking together on this journey. There are two people in the logo to indicate the differences amongst us. From the beginning of the church, even from the time of the first disciples, there were disagreements amongst God's people. In Christ, we receive one another as he first received us, in love and in mercy.

Finally, see at the top of the logo that the people are gathered to the cross. Each of us is forgiven sin and given life and salvation because of what the Lord has done for us through his death on the cross. This is what unites us: the grace of God in Christ Jesus. Together, we are sent to all nations to preach Christ and him crucified. So, as we travel this journey to the Convention of General Synod 2024, let us fix our eyes on the pioneer and perfecter of our faith: our Lord Jesus Christ.

So we are now just one year from the October 2024 Convention of General Synod. Some of you are prepared for your regular AGMs when you will elect a delegate for the Convention. This is the time to ask the Lord to guide the people of your community to gather a person to be ready to do the work of preparing for the Convention next year. When we gather in Synod, we gather as baptised Christians who are led by the Holy Spirit to discern how we can serve together as people of the Lutheran Confession here in New Zealand and Australia.

Please also pray for your leaders and those involved in the working groups of the Way Forward project. Also, pray for our church that as we travel this way forward together, we would be faithful witnesses, trusting that the 'Lord has got this' – that the 'Lord has got us'.

Finally, I invite you to join in a churchwide day of prayer on Sunday 8 October this year. This date has been chosen as it will be just one year until the actual Convention of General Synod. You are invited to pray for our church on that Sunday with your sisters and brothers from the Lutheran communities right across the LCANZ, from Coen to Katanning to Christchurch.

Bishop Paul Smith

'Lord, take our hands and lead us on life's rough way.

With heavenly manna feed us, from day to day.

Without your grace and favour, we go astray.

Take our hands, dear Saviour, and choose our way. Amen.'

(adapted from LHS 301 Hausmann)