



LANGMEIL THANKSGIVING LUTHERAN CHURCH



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

DEC. 17 2023

ADVENT 3



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.

THIS WEEK

PRACTICES FOR CHRISTMAS EVE:

Monday Dec 18, 3:30-5 pm at Langmeil.

Thursday Dec 21, 5 pm at Barossa Arts Centre (*Full dress*).

The sick, their families and carers:

Eric Pfeiffer, Jean and Bernard Lane, 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

Pastor Joel Cramer, as he considers our Call to Southern Barossa Churches

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11; 1 Thess. 5:16-24
John 1:6-8,19-28; **Luke 1:46**

ADVENT CANDLE

Today we light the pink candle on the Advent wreath. This Sunday is called Gaudate (“Rejoice”) and the pink signifies joy, which Pastor Brian will also highlight in the service.

OFFICE PHONE

The landline (8653 2657) has now been disconnected. Please note the new mobile number **0493 797 220**

BIRTHDAYS

17th	Kevin Schild
19th	Brian Zimmermann Daniel Rosenzweig Lily Murray
20th	Rhys Herrmann
21st	Irene Schubert Trent Reimers
22nd	Ruth Illman
23rd	Louisa Hiscock

God bless your special day!

FOR YOUR DEVOTIONS

Sun 17	John 1:6-8,19-28
Mon 18	Galatians 5:25 - 6:10
Tues 19	Galatians 6:11-18
Wed 20	Philippians 1:1-11
Thurs 21	Philippians 1:12-30
Fri 22	Philippians 2:1-11
Sat 23	Luke 1:47-55

CHRISTMAS LUNCH INVITATION

If you don't have any family around this Christmas you would be more than welcome to join us for Christmas lunch in our home. If you're interested please let me know on 0407 970 576. Corinne and Lyell Rosenzweig.

BOOK FOR CHRISTMAS EVE!

This year there will be one combined service with Bethany-Tabor, 5 p.m. at Faith Senior College, Magnolia Rd. We have been advised that it is 'very important' to **BOOK** the **FREE** seats. Ring 8561 4299, Wednesday-Friday, noon-4:30 pm or online at barossaarts.com.au
No service at Langmeil or Faith Junior School that evening.

HONEY BISCUITS

Thank you so much to those who have baked honey biscuits for distribution at the Christmas Eve service. Biscuits from Langmeil are being packed this morning, Dec 17, between services.

NOW AVAILABLE

from the church office

2024 LLL CALENDARS

OFFERING ENVELOPES
Dated packs for 2024 - \$10

For a great selection of CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS

go to our local Christian bookshops: The Ark 47 Murray St Nuriootpa, and the Good Seed 83 Murray Street Tanunda!

Both shops will close at midday on Saturday Dec 23 and reopen on Monday January 8 (Good Seed) and Tuesday January 9 (The Ark).

CHRISTMAS ACTION APPEAL

The ALWS Appeal this Christmas is to support 2,500 learners with disabilities in Somalia to go to school and 1,000 younger children with disabilities to receive support they need to live life to their potential.

In Somalia, 60% of the population are under 18. Life expectancy is only 51.5 years. After 5 years of drought, 1.4 million people are displaced from their homes.

ALWS has committed to contribute \$1 for every \$5 received from the Australian government.

Donation packs in your letter-box.

MOCULTA LIVE NATIVITY

Monday 18th December

8pm for 8.30pm start

at Michael and Sue Falkenberg's, 798 Moculta Rd.

Follow the signs along Moculta Road
BYO chairs and torches.

Port and kuchen will be served after the program.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Dec 24 / Advent 4
Langmeil, 8:45 a.m. H.C.
Pastor Jim Bryan

Dec 24 / Christmas Eve
Combined Bethany-Langmeil-Tabor,
5 p.m. at Faith Senior College
Children's Presentation



Dec 25 / Christmas Day
Langmeil 8:45 a.m. H.C.
Pastor Brian Schwarz

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, 8563 2108,
Lorna Schiller, 0438 844 116

HELP at the HUB

The Hub will be holding a Yiros stall from their verandah on Saturday January 20, when the 'Valley Hotrodders Cruise on 2024' is being held in the main street. Anyone who can help, either serving or behind the scenes, would be most appreciated. Please call The Hub on 8563 3748 or Jeanette 0403 104 633.

LCA SANT District Blueprint Ministries

'RENEW' YOUNG ADULTS CAMP

9-11 February 2024

At Dzintari Campsite, Yankalilla
For Young Adults and Year 12 school leavers

Registration:

One Day - \$125 | Two Days - \$170
Year 12 School Leavers 50% off, thanks to the generous sponsorship of the LLL
Join us for a fun and relaxing weekend, where you can grow your relationship with God and other people

For more information or to register, head to:
<https://www.blueprintministries.org.au/camps/renew/>

ROSTERS: DECEMBER 24

Flowers: Lyn Jaensch
HC Assist: 8:45 am -
Lay Host: 8:45 am - John Clarke
Music: 8:45 am - Maryanne Pfitzner
Greeters: 8:45 am - Harald and Kath Sames
Reader: 8:45 am - Kathleen Clarke
P'point: 8:45 am - Colleen Bryan
Sound: 8:45 am - John Lindner
Cuppa: 8:45 am - Brian and Mary Hentschke
Stewards: 8:45 am - Malcolm Graue, Ian Jaensch, Edith Unger
Clean TLC: Kevin and Helen Schild, Gary and Val Rainsford, Will and Kimberly Grosser
Altar Guild: Fay Zimmermann (Dec)
Yard Cleaning: Peter Robinson, Erich Holzknicht

ROSTERS: DECEMBER 25

Flowers: Lyn Jaensch
HC Assist: 8:45 am - Ian Jaensch
Lay Host: 8:45 am - Colleen Bryan
Music: 8:45 am - Maryanne Pfitzner
Greeters: 8:45 am - Helen Semmler, Rosemary Gardner-Smith
Reader: 8:45 am - Colleen Bryan
P'point: 8:45 am - Erich Holzknicht
Sound: 8:45 am - John Clarke
Stewards: 8:45 am - Malcolm Graue, Ian Jaensch, Edith Unger

DATES TO NOTE

YOUNG LIFE SUMMER CAMP TRAINING, Tuesday Dec 19 7-9 p.m. at Langmeil

EVANGELICAL GERMAN LANGUAGE SERVICE at Tabor, Sunday December 17, 10:30 a.m.

NEXT COMBINED SBC SERVICE, Sunday December 31, 9 am at Faith Junior School. Langmeil will again be in charge of arrangements.

NEW YEARS EVE SERVICE, Dec 31, 7:30 p.m. at Langmeil

YOU ARE INVITED to the Barossa Premiere performance of 'GOMERSAL - an appreciation' for cello and piano - Shae Heinrich and Nat Schmaal - by Adelaide composer David J Lang. Through music, David has expressed the natural features, history and people of this area. Sunday Feb 4, at Langmeil Church, 4.15pm for 4.30 start. Approx 30 mins duration

CAN AND BOTTLE RUN

Saturday January 6

Young Life fund-raiser for their Summer Camp. Hold onto your cans and bottles over the festive season and they will pick them up from you. Contact tiffanyvoigt@younglife.org.au for more information and to book.

BAROSSA ARK

offers **THOUGHTFUL Christmas GIFT IDEAS for ALL AGES!**

- various sized and styled Nativity Sets
- well-illustrated Children's Christmas Story Books
- Christmas Cards - individual and Budget Packs
- unique Australian-made gifts
- Australian-themed Christmas Tree decorations, etc.

Barossa Ark, 47 Murray Street Nuriootpa.

CAN YOU HELP?

We are launching an exhibition next year around History Month entitled **Stability, Grace, Endurance: Handcrafted in Early Barossa** at the Barossa Regional Gallery.

I wonder if you are aware of any textiles or decorative furniture in our Lutheran churches or their archives from our early days which may be loaned to the Gallery for this exhibition?

I'd be happy to come and chat to you about this or visit with our curator, Sally.

I am preparing a media release to call to our community, much as we did in 2021 for the Hermannsburg Connection exhibition, for loan of decorative arts and furniture for this exhibition too.

My sincere thanks, **Rowena Sloane**
Team Leader Gallery and Creative Industries
rsloane@barossa.sa.gov.au or phone 8563 8340

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