



Southern Barossa Lutheran Church Newsletter

Sunday, 21 September 2025

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Colour – Green

To be a **vibrant** church community, **passionate** disciples of Christ, **empowering** and **equipping** our people to share the **love, joy** and **hope** of Jesus, by **building** relationships, teaching and serving.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025

Bethany no service

Grace St Pauls 9:00am HC Pr Greg Schiller

Langmeil 8:45am HC and 10:30am HC

Pr Brian Schwarz

Lyndoch Parish Service with the Anglicans

10:00am

Schoenborn 10:30am Pr Greg Schiller

Tabor 9:00am Pr Rob Schubert + Godly Play

SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2025

SBLC Combined Confirmation and First

Communion Service

10:00am HC Barossa Arts Centre

Faith Lutheran College (Senior Campus)

Magnolia Road Tanunda

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025

The First Reading Jeremiah 8:18 – 9:1 Jeremiah mourns for the people **OR**

Amos 8:4-7 Against swindlers and exploiters

Psalms 79:1-9 **OR** Psalm 113

The Second Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-7 The church is to pray for all people

The Gospel: Luke 16:1-13 The parable of the shrewd manager

Readings for your Devotions

Sunday - Luke 16:1-13

Monday – 1 Samuel 2:12-26

Tuesday – 1 Samuel 3:1-21

Wednesday – 1 Samuel 4:1-11

Thursday – 1 Samuel 4:12-22

Friday – 1 Samuel 7:2-17

Saturday - Psalm 146

Prayer of the Day

Lord, help your people

to avoid all contamination of the devil,

and to follow you, the only Lord, with pure hearts and minds.

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.

Pray for Mission, Unity and Community:

Young Life, Schools, Godly Play, Pastoral

Care Workers, Lutheran Care, Tanunda

Lutheran Home, Barossa Village, The Hub,

Grow Love Garden, GOoD Seed, Funday

Sunday, Bible Society, German Services,

Southern Barossa Lutheran Church.

Offering Prayer

Lord God,

help us not to hoard our wealth and possessions,

but gladly serve you, our only Master,

by giving of ourselves and what we have.

Amen.

Please Pray for our Confirmees as they journey in their faith and get to know God on a personal level.

Open their hearts and minds to receive Jesus and help our congregations to get beside them to love, support and pray for them.

Seb Badrice

Oscar Brown

Cooper Day

Ella Graetz

Leo Garrett

Noah Halman

Brodie Heinrich

Isla Helbig

Jalilah James

Keegan James

Nathan Kaesler

Alex Lynch

Owen Mebberson

Indiana Pietsch

Ella Reichelt

Molly Roberts

Connor Samain

Riley Samain

Sebastian Schmidt

Aila Semmler

Cara Semmler

Lucas Skinner

Sasha Skinner

Mayah Steinert

Holly Zadow

Sam Zadow

THIS WEEK'S QUOTE

When we stop trying to correct and start trying to connect, the church becomes
a place of belonging, not just belief.

Jane Mueller

SOUTHERN BAROSSA LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DINNER FOR EIGHT

Dinner for 8 Entry extended for this week.

Dinner for 8 is a great chance to get to know fellow members of SBLC over a meal. Pick up a form at your church or from The Hub. Return it to your representative as soon as possible. Alternatively email Penny Pfitzner on penny_pfitzner@hotmail.com

YOUNG LIFE & WYDLIFE

***Club Campout** for high school aged youth is happening on the 26th of September; contact Alison on alisonwest@younglife.org.au for more information

*Our next **Can and Bottle Run** is happening on the Friday the 10th of October to raise funds for our 2026 Summer Camp. Contact Tiffany tiffanyvoigt@younglife.org.au to book a pick up.

*We are having a **Leaders Retreat** in October and if there is anyone that is willing to help out with catering, could you please contact Tiffany on 0466039463

*Club and Wydlife are being held at Barossa Bowland again, Club being on the 9th and 23rd. Wydlife will be on Tue the 16th. Contact Tiffany on 0466039463 or tiffanyvoigt@younglife.org.au for more information

*If you would like to be on our prayer list contact Tiffany, tiffanyvoigt@younglife.org.au

YOUNG LIFE AREA DIRECTOR

Young Life are currently looking for an experienced Area Director to join our team in the Barossa Valley.

Key duties will include:

- Spiritual leadership and ministry development
- Recruiting, training, and supervising volunteers
- Developing and implementing fundraising strategies
- Building relationships with the community, donors, and church leaders
- Overseeing direct ministry activities such as contact work, clubs, small groups, and camps
- Managing finances and administration for the ministry area

This is a 0.5 FTE with flexibility around working hours. For the full advertisement plus job and person specification, email hr@younglife.org.au.

Applications close on Wednesday October 8th.

Safe Church – Child Safe Information

The LCA has a three-stage process to enable continuous improvement of child safety.

Congregations are asked to review how they meet the Child Safety Standards every three years by undertaking the following steps:

1. Self-Assessment
2. Development of Child Safety Standards Action Plan
3. Implementation of Child Safety Standards Action Plan. Implementation of the Child Safety Standards is compulsory for all Australian congregations. Church Council is responsible for making this happen. Each of the ten LCA Child Safety Standards has several elements that act as indicators regarding what needs to be in place to meet the standard. Self-Assessment is a way to measure and see how your congregation is going and using the indicators. It is like doing a child safety 'health check'.

SBLC Child Safe/SMO Coordinators

Bethany/Tabor - Marilyn Mensforth bethanytaborsccoord@gmail.com

Grace/Schoenborn - Jenny Noll jedanoll@gmail.com

Langmeil - Emma Hiscock emma.hiscock@lca.org.au

Lyndoch - Graham Fromm grahamfromm@outlook.com

FRIENDS OF THE SBLC – NEWS AND EVENTS

Funday Sunday – What a Day! The sun shone, the people came, and Funday Sunday truly lived up to its name! From the awesome worship service until pack down began, the day was filled with God's love, laughter, joy and community spirit. Families turned out to enjoy delicious food, fun activities, and entertainment. The kids had a wonderful time — running, playing, crafting. **Events like these don't happen without the hard work and support of many people.** A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped make Funday Sunday such a success—our volunteers, organisers, stallholders, entertainers, and of course, everyone who came along to share the day with us.

The Funday Sunday Team

SPROCKET ROCKETS AND HUGAMUGS

Hugamugs gather at 10am on Tuesday (September 23rd) at Barossa Weintal (235 Murray St, Tanunda) and Sprockets arrive at the same venue at 10.30am on Thursday (September 25th) again after leaving the Langmeil Church carpark at 9.30am.

HAPPENING AT THE HUB THIS WEEK

Monday - 6:00pm Funday Sunday debrief

Tuesday - 9:30am Know Your Bible, 11:30am-1:30pm Tuesday Lunch Bunch, 7:00pm Grace BoA meeting

Wednesday - 9:00am Bible Study and Prayer Meeting 10:00am Art Group

Friday - SBLC Newsletter distribution

Tuesday Lunch Bunch

On this Tuesday 23rd September. This lunch is all about sharing God's love with our community and building social connections. We offer a simple meal and a warm, welcoming space for people to meet, connect, and enjoy each other's company. 11:30am-1:30pm. All welcome.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - FOUR WEEKS TO GO!

What if a shoebox could do more than deliver toys and toiletries?

What if it opened the door to eternal hope?

When you pack a gift-filled shoebox through Operation Christmas Child, you're sending more than just gifts—you're sending love, joy, and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to a child who may have never heard it before. Your act of kindness has the power to change a child's life, a family, even a whole community. Your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child. It may be the only gift the child receives. Plan to fill your shoebox with quality new items that will last. When packing your shoebox think; FUN, adding a 'wow' item and new toys a child will love; FULL, with no empty space; and PERSONALISED, including a note of encouragement or photo. For more ideas and a list of things **NOT** to pack click pick up an information sheet at The Hub. You can pick up a shoebox to be filled and drop your shoebox off at The Christian Community Hub in Tanunda.

Shoe boxes will be collected from The Hub by Samaritans Purse between the 13th-27th of October.

LUTHERAN CARE UPDATE

Thank you so much for the donations this past month.

Items needed for September Tuna Cans, Women's Deodorant, Coffee

And we are very low in: Mixed Vegetable tins Peanut Butter Long Life Milk Tinned Spaghetti
Jam Vegemite Shampoo and Conditioners

BAROSSA KONZERT

Sunday 28th September

2.00 pm at St Petri Church, 21 Second Street, Nuriootpa

A celebration of classical music and German heritage in the heart of the Barossa.

The Tanunda Liedertafel 1850

The Barossa Trio | Piano, flute, cello Tickets \$35/\$30 concession Tickets available online at

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/1439286/sessions/5773207/sections/2760155/tickets>

Bible College SA's Open Day - Saturday 11 October from 10am to 12noon.

Are you considering serving in Christian ministry? Do you want to deepen your Bible knowledge?

Bible College SA has been training people for over 100 years. If you missed Open Night, come to our Open Day on Saturday 11 October at 10.00am and chat with our faculty, staff and students about our courses and study options at Bible College SA. Open Day is a great opportunity to explain to prospective students why they might consider taking a course of study with us, and some of the different aspects of the experience of being a student.

Mid North Gideons Faith Fund event

Guest Speaker Wayne Harch from The Gideons International in Australia with firsthand accounts of the mission field of Poland. Come and hear amazing stories and testimonies from the International Mission Team who visited Poland in 2024.

Friday October 24th | Langmeil Lutheran Church Hall, 7 Maria St Tanunda | 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start

RSVP by 17th October to Neville Steinborner 0418 909 885 or email steiny@bigpond.net

\$30:00 per person for dinner. Please advise any dietary requirements.

An offering for The Gideons Faith fund will be taken on the night.

LCANZ News

Go to www.lutheranmedia.org.au or call 1800 353 350 to read the latest ministry news.

Listen to: Messages of Hope at 10:45-11:00am each Monday, on 5BBBfm - 89.1fm.

Download or listen online at www.messagesofhope.org.au

Bethany Tabor Parish

Box 115, Tanunda, 5352. Telephone: 0418 632 006

Child Safe/SMO Coordinator bethanytaborsccoord@gmail.com

Bethany/Tabor Members' Care

Do you or someone you know has a need, prayer or help and would like a pastor or someone to visit or phone, please speak to: Dennis Canute 0417 837422, Raelene Falland 0407 632032, Kay Kleemann 04 065425, Helen Menzel 0409 283201, Geoff Nicolai 0401 424503, Trevor Ratsch 0403 561709, Anne Schmidt 0408 002726, Daph Schmidt 0417 834661, Steven Sickerdick 0408 835004, or Dianne Trenberth 0488 558502.

Bethany/Tabor Notices: email to bethanytanunda@gmail.com by 2:00pm Wednesday.

We Remember in Prayer If you or anyone you know wishes to be added to the prayer list please contact Bethany/Tabor Members' Care Team or email your request to bethanytanunda@gmail.com and we will include them in the bulletin prayer list.

The Sick: Matthew Roesler, Emma Habermann, Pat King, Elsie Kroschel

Families:

Charlie & Virginia (Weckert), Lauren, Thomas, Sophie Melton

Robert Menz

Toby, Tennille, Charlie & Lydia Bowden

Simon, Charlene, Alistair, Zahlia & Eliza Brand

BETHANY URGENT!

We are looking for volunteers to help with the PowerPoint and video at Sunday services. Training will be provided. We are also looking for someone to represent our congregation on the SBLC Call Committee. Please give these matters your consideration and if you can help in either of these capacities, contact the Secretary (Dennis Canute). 04170837 422; dennisandchris@rusdenwines.com.au

Rosters: Don't forget to check your copy of the rosters to see if you are rostered for next Sunday.

Grace – Tanunda

Bethlehem – Schoenborn

For Pastoral Support... Please contact your Pastoral Assistants:

Merv Storton 0488 743 323 evries@ihug.com.au

Elizabeth Jaeschke 0459 472 836 n.jaeschke@bigpond.com

Trevor Braunack 0409 633 829 schonborn@bigpond.com

OR contact your A or B leader; if you have any needs, issues or concerns, or require pastoral support.

Songs: AT265; AT430; AT313; AT410

Grace Survey Discussion -to be held after service on Sunday, 21st September.

Offering Envelopes for 2026

For those who received offering envelopes this year and No Longer want to receive them for 2026, please let me know by 21/09/25. Please also let me know if you did not receive envelopes this year and want to receive them in 2026. For everyone else who are already receiving offering envelopes I will order them for you and there is no need for you to contact me. Thanks, Jo Bartsch. Contact: 0411969733.

Friendly fellowship for Grace ladies and friends will happen at Black Bird Coffee House in Tanunda from 2 pm on Friday 25 September. Please come and join us. If you need transport, phone Wendy Steinberner (0409 632 916) or Julie Weckert (0427311 596)

We celebrate this week:

Upcoming Wedding Anniversaries: Graham & Wendy Steinberner; Bronte & Dianne Schmaal

Upcoming Baptism Anniversaries: Michael Ratsch; Betty Lange

Please pray

We pray for our fellow saints and for all their loved ones, You know all their needs, into Your fatherly hands we entrust them. Especially today we pray for Elaine Leditschke; Jeff & Judy Liersch; Steven & Lisa, Bethanie, Caitlin Lange; Betty & Eric Lange, and we thank God for the promising improvements in Eric's health through treatment. Uphold Betty as she supports & cares for Eric & grant them your peace. Healing and comforting Father, remember all who are sick and in need. We especially pray for Jolie Zadow and her family, and Pauline Fromm

Giving to the Gospel - Updated form available now. If you have additional questions, please call our Treasurer Jo Bartsch, Jo's contact number is 0411 969 733 or email abartsch7@gmail.com

Bulletin/Newsletter Notices please contact Jeanette Marschall, email jeanette@groomwines.com or phone 0403 104 633. Notices can also be dropped in to The Hub 9am- 4pm weekdays. To be included in the week's newsletter please submit by 2pm on Thursdays.

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

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, Ev Leske, 0448 653 761, Noleen Mattschoss, 0438 137 810, Mark Pfitzner, 0428 198 111, Penny Pfitzner, 0488 952 211, Don Ross, 8563 2108, Lorna Schiller, 0438 844 116.

Please Pray For:

The sick, their families and carers: Pastor Len Gerschwitz, Mary Hentschke, Eric Pfeiffer, Peter Tscharke, Margaret Hahn, Peter Boschen, Vera Menz, Howard Klæbe, Penny Pfitzner and others with MS. SBLC Groups: Governance Council, Ministry Team, Worship Team, Pastoral Care Team, Children's Ministry Team, Call Committee.

Birthdays Sept. 22 - Paul Graue, 24 - Jim Bryan, 27 - Brian Hentschke..

THIS WEEK:

Confirmation, Monday Sept. 22, 3:30 pm
Lutheran Care Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Training, Wed. Sept, 24, 1 pm at Langmeil.
SBLC Confirmation and First Communion, Sunday Sept. 28, 10 am at Faith Lutheran College (Senior Campus).

FURTHER AHEAD:

Kaffee und Kuchen, Monday Sept. 29. 1 pm.
Worship Team, Monday October 6, 7:30 pm
Lutheran Care Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Training, Tuesday Oct 7, 2 pm, 1 pm at Langmeil.
Langmeil Annual Elections Meeting (AEM) Sunday November 16, between services.

NOTICES:

FUNDAY SUNDAY - THANK YOU for your monetary and fruit salad donations, your help setting up and packing up, preparing fruit salad and serving on our stall. It was a very successful day and your help and support was greatly appreciated by the committee and for those who attended.

ANNUAL NOMINATIONS

Vacancies exist for both General Synod and District Synod delegates. Please let Colleen know if you are interested in those or other positions, or are unable to continue in your current role, by the **21st September 2025**.

PRAYER AND PRAISE IN A TIME OF DROUGHT

This Sunday, September 21, Pastor Brian will lead our services along this theme, to acknowledge and pray for communities impacted by drought. There will be opportunity for a **retiring offering**, which will be given to Rural Aid, a charity which directly supports farmers – www.ruralaid.org.au

COMMUNION STEWARDS STILL URGENTLY REQUIRED

Please prayerfully consider if you would be able to assist with the set up and cleanup procedures when we have communion services. Please contact David Mattschoss (0438 135 812) and he can explain this important duty in more detail. Ideally, we would like to have 2 more persons (male or female) rostered.

REG (Regular Electronic Giving)

Our BankSA a/c: Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Langmeil - BSB 105024, a/c no. 112002340

Our LLL a/c: Evangelical Lutheran Congregation Langmeil - BSB 704942, a/c no. 100009425.

If you have questions please speak with our Treasurer, Helen Schild, 0429 377 146.

SUNDAY SEPT. 14

Attendance: 75 (8:45)

Offering: \$946.70 + \$1,682.70 = \$2,629.40 (+ Funday Sunday \$55, Rural Aid \$150)

Church Office: 0493 797 220

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 12 noon, Mon - Friday

Admin. Sec.: Colleen Bryan 0434 247 717

Lyndoch Parish

"WHERE LOVE COMES TO LIFE"

Keep in your Prayers: Di Gilson; Friends of Amelia Rozycki on her passing; Jenni Edwards; Monica Wohlstadt; George Davies; Lorraine Schild; Gwen Heinrich (in Wheatfields); Iris Kies; Ron Fromm, Shirley & Don Wegener

Songs at Lyndoch: Stand up for Jesus, How great Thou art, Lord of Creation, And can it be

Diary dates: 21 September - Parish combined with Anglicans- Fr Steven DeKleer

Lyndoch: 10am Rowland Flat: NO SERVICE

Barossa Zone Women's Fellowship Day - Friday 19 Sept, 9am @ St Peter's Greenock. BYO lunch.

Funeral of Amelia Rozycki - Friday 19 September, 10am at Lyndoch Church. Committal at Lyndoch Cemetery.

Parish combined service with Anglicans - Sunday 21 Sept, 10am @ Lyndoch.

Stamps for mission - please recycle your stamps into the box.

Bottle top collection - please leave in porch for Chris to collect or drop into the Hub.

Craft Group- meets every Thursday in Church hall, 9.30am-12 noon. Everyone welcome to join in. Please contact Margaret Wallace 0437060719 for more information.

Giving: To give electronically:

*Lyndoch Lutheran church reg account: BSB 704 942 acc. no. 10014863

*Trinity Lutheran church bank SA account: BSB 105-024 ACC. NO. 112009840

Parish Bulletin: ALL notices must be in to Wendy Liebelt by 7pm TUESDAY. Notices can be emailed to wenedy96@gmail.com

Rosters: Don't forget to check your copy of the roster to see if you are rostered for next Sunday.

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Lyndoch Chair - Steve Fiebiger 0448294696

Rowland Flat Pastoral Assistant- Tania Heinrich 0409679164

Parish Administration Officer: Wendy Liebelt - lyndochlutheran@gmail.com