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Southern Barossa Lutheran Church Newsletter Sunday, 2 November 2025 **Twenty-first 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 2 NOVEMBER 2025

There will be no SBLC services on Sunday 2nd November.

10:00am 150 years Faith - Culture - Community

Thanksgiving Service Tanunda Show Hall. Thanksgiving Service

Faith College Senior Campus

SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2025

Bethany 10:30am HC Pr Tanya Wittwer

Grace St Paul's no service Langmeil 8:45am Pr Jim Bryan

10:30am FUEL

Lyndoch 9:00am HC Pr Gus Schutz Tabor 9:00am HC Pr Tanya Wittwer

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2025

Option 1: The First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 The righteous will live by faith

OR Option 2: Isaiah 1:10-18 God tells his people: Become clean

Psalm 119:137-144 **OR** Psalm 32:1-7

The Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,11,12 Paul's thanksgiving and prayers for the Thessalonians

The Gospel: Luke 19:1-10 Jesus and Zacchaeus

Readings for your Devotions

Sunday - Luke 18:9-14 Monday - 1 Samuel 28:3-20 **Tuesday - 1 Samuel 31:1–13** Wednesday - 2 Samuel 1:1-16 Thursday - 2 Samuel 2:1-11 Friday - 2 Samuel 5:1-12 Saturday - Isaiah 25:6-9

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.

Prayer of the Day

Lord God.

Through your great goodness release us all from the net of our sins which has entangled us because of our

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.

Offering Prayer

Lord God our Saviour,

lead us, out of thankfulness for your mercy and goodness, to dedicate our lives and all we have to your service.

Amen.

Please pray for the SBLC

Heavenly Father, we come to you as members of the SBLC asking for your guidance in the timeline that has been planned and the call process that is about to ramp up. We know you have everything in hand; may our wants and needs align with the plans you have for us here in the Southern Barossa. Bless all the teams that are working to make this happen and may it always be to glorify you. In your name we pray,

Amen.

THIS WEEK'S QUOTE

Faith - it does not make things easy, it makes them possible.

SOUTHERN BAROSSA LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Southern Barossa Lutheran Church Call Committee Update

Earlier in the year the decision was taken to suspend the Call Process until after review of the recent survey. Review of the results was completed by Church and Parish Councils together with the Ministry Team, Call Committee and Governance Council at the workshop on 19th October.

The Call Committee have met and resumed the Call Process with the aim of being in a position to make a call at the end of January 2026.

Next week the list of 'pastors available for Call' will be available via the newsletter (email and hard copy) for any member to suggest names for consideration by the Call Committee.

Please contact one of the Call Committee members if you have any questions.

Kind Regards SBLC Call Committee – Michael Heinrich, Wendy Liebelt, Dennis Canute, Paul Schubert, Katrina Neldner & Phil Hiscock

SBLC get to know your Pastoral Care Team - Geoff Nicolai (Bethany)

I was born at the Tanunda Hospital, the third child of Dennis and Betty (Elizabeth) Nicolai. I have two older sisters and two younger sisters which I think a lot of. I grew up on a property at Bethany and lived with my parents until I was married.

The memories I fondly remember of my childhood is going to a small school and the concerts that were held at the end of the year. I also remember the Christmas Eve Services and ice cream for dessert for Sunday lunch. I also had a wonderful Sponsor who thought of me each Christmas.



I knew I always wanted to work outdoors and thought it would be great to be a Park Ranger. God seemed to point me to working in vineyard so my idea of being a Park Ranger did not eventuate.

I met my lovely wife, Sue at a S.A Lutheran Youth Convention which was held at Tanunda. I was in charge of looking after the billets designated to be at Bethany Members homes. She came over and said "Am I in in the right place" and I said she certainly was.

Being able to look after my family has always been a challenge. As I look over the years I see God helping us out and not by our own effort. There have been times in my life I know that God has protected our family. We have three wonderful children with two of the children now married and parents of two children themselves.

My parents were very strong in their faith with my mother being a Sunday School Teacher. I think back and as I grew older I was learning more about my faith making me stronger in my faith.

I like to help others so I have become involved in a number of interests. I started playing in a Brass Band at the age of ten. Early in our marriage I joined the Country Fire Service and a lot of my life I have been involved with the Tanunda Kegel Club.

I have a number of people who influenced my life. I think my parents were the biggest influence. I also liked how many of my mentors like our Youth Counsellors and Elders and Pastors also influenced me. I have seen how friends, who have been through extreme sadness have been made strong through trusting that God has everything in his control and that he sends people to help them.

Our faith is one to hold onto in the good and bad times. We are not alone. Jesus is walking with us and is with us all the time even though sometimes we do not think he is.

In Christ's service, Geoff Nicolai

SBLC SAFE CHURCH

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING OPPORTUNITY: Level 1 (live, online)

If you need to complete or update your Level 1 training you are welcome to join a group of Langmeil members.

Monday Nov 24 ..." Induction" ... 6.30pm for a 7pm start finishing 8.30pm

Tuesday Dec 2 ... "Safeguarding" ... 6.30pm for a 7pm start finishing 8.30pm

Both parts need to be completed for Level 1. Please register using the form available on the LCA website Safe Church Training - Lutheran Church of Australia (scroll down to the 'Australian live online webinar level 1' which contains the link to the form). Any issues registering, please contact your Safe Church Coordinator (listed below) who will be able to support you further.

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

TANUNDA WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - AGM AND HONEY BISCUIT PACKAGING

Thursday 13th November 1:30pm Host: Langmeil

Project Donations: Lutheran Media, Malaysia Women's Care and Counselling Centre

PLEASE NOTE: Lutheran Women Magazine subscriptions (\$25) and membership fees are now due. Payment to your fellowship representative by the November meeting would, be much appreciated.

HAPPENING AT THE HUB THIS WEEK

Tuesday - 9:30am Know Your Bible

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

Thursday - 10:00am My Time

Friday - SBLC Newsletter distribution

HUGAMUGS AND SPROCKET ROCKETS

On Tuesday (October 28th) Hugamugs gather at 11am at The Greenock (2 Murray St, Greenock) and Sprockets arrive at the same venue at 10.30am on Thursday (October 30th) again after leaving the Langmeil Church carpark at 9.30am.

THE HUGAMUG CLUB INTERVIEWS

Hosted by John Harms, gifted writer, historian, publisher, speaker, publishing consultant, MC, lunch host, broadcaster, and co-creator of the very popular Footy Almanac website. 6pm at Wanera Wine Bar in Angaston, Thursday November 27th, John will chat to with 5 ministers in the book The Hugamug Club – our own Brian Schwarz, Robert Voigt, Amel Manyon, Len Gerschwitz and Jim Bryan ... and later Steen Olsen will launch the book. For \$30 attendees also enjoy a 2-course meal. Tickets available from https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1487724

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY at Faith Lutheran College on 2 November 2025. Collectively celebrating 180 and 40 years, 220 years of Lutheran Education

MOVIE NIGHT featuring 'Bonhoeffer. Pastor. Spy. Assassin' at Holy Trinity Lutheran Hall, 6 Penrice Rd Nuriootpa. 7pm, 2 November 2025. \$5 admission includes popcorn and a drink.

LUTHERAN CARE CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Planning is underway for the 2025 Lutheran Care Barossa Christmas Hamper Program. Hamper week is slightly earlier this year, being held at St Petri Hall the week beginning the 8th of December, with donations being sorted and packed on the 8th and 9th, final touches to the Hall happening on the 10th, with the blessing to be held with Lutheran Care Senior Management and Pastor Adrian at 2pm. Pick up a list of hamper donation requirements from The Hub.

LUTHERAN HOMES BAROSSA 2025 CHRISTMAS FETE

10am – 2pm Saturday the 29th November Stallholders wanted. Please spread the word.

GO GREEN THIS CHRISTMAS

There's nothing like the fragrance of a freshly cut Christmas tree.

Order yours now from The Hub for pick up on Saturday 6th December.

Small and Medium trees \$70.

Large, limited numbers available \$80

Cash or card. To purchase a tree phone 8563 3748 or come into The Hub.

Orders close Friday 21st November.

Grown by Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Birdwood. Proceeds go to support the School Chaplaincy program.

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

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

The Sick: Matthew Roesler, Emma Habermann, Pat King, Ramona Gierke.

Families: Damien, Kyle & Makayla Cundy Cheryl Cundy

Elliott & Dawn Nuttall

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 Storton0488 743 323evries@ihug.com.auElizabeth Jaeschke0459 472 836n.jaeschke@bigpond.comTrevor Braunack0409 633 829schonborn@bigpond.com

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

Upcoming Baptism Anniversaries: Ivy Schmaal; Emma Schmaal

Please pray

• Healing and comforting Father, remember all who are sick and in need. We especially pray for Irwin Beitz, for Peter Gladigau, for Jolie Zadow, for Pauline Fromm, and their families.

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 <u>jeanette@groomwines.com</u> 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: David West, Pastor Len Gerschwitz, Mary Hentschke, Eric Pfeiffer, Peter Tscharke, Margaret Hahn, Peter Boschen, Vera Menz, Howard Klaebe, Penny Pfitzner and others with MS. SBLC Groups: Governance Council, Ministry Team, Worship Team, Pastoral Care Team, Children's Ministry Team, Call Committee.

Birthdays

Nov 2 - David Hoffrichter, 5 - Jodie Kalleske

THIS WEEK:

150th Anniversary service (leaving Bethany for Hermannsburg), Sunday Nov. 2, 10 am at the Show Hall. Faith Lutheran College Thanksgiving Service, Sunday Nov. 2, 2 pm at Faith Senior Campus. Young Life leaders' meeting, Sunday Nov. 2, 5-7 pm at Langmeil Worship Team, Monday Nov. 3, 7:30 pm. FUEL, Sunday Nov 9, 10:30 am.

FURTHER AHEAD:

Administration Team, Monday Nov 10, 7:30 pm Women's Fellowship, Thursday Nov 13, 1:30 pm at Langmeil Langmeil AEM, Sunday Nov. 16, between services

NOTICES:

ANNUAL ELECTIONS MEETING - Book of Reports

Reports for our AEM on Sunday Nov. 16 and the proposed budget were emailed this week. Printed copies are available in letter-boxes for those who receive the printed bulletin, or from the church office.

"GIFTS OF GRACE"

ALWS Gifts of Grace packs, to support our church's mission outreach overseas, bringing love to life this Christmas, are now available in your letter-box.

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) on this roster.

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.

ROSTERS: November 8

Clean TLC: Andy and Marlene Thurlow, Bob and Robyn Sloane, David and Val West Yard Cleaning: Ev Leske, Des Schiller

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; Jenni Edwards; Monica Wohlstadt; George Davies; Lorraine Schild; Gwen Heinrich; Iris Kies; Ron Fromm, Shirley & Don Wegener

Songs at Lyndoch: Nil

Diary dates: 9 November - Pastor Gus Schutz Lyndoch: 9am HC Rowland Flat: 10.30am HC

Lyndoch Church Council - Wednesday 19 Nov, 7.30pm in hall.

Lyndoch Women's Fellowship - Wednesday 5 Nov, 12 noon at Monkey Nut Cafe, followed by AGM in the hall at 1.30pm.

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

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

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Lyndoch Pastoral Assistants - Michael Kies 0419817203, Cheryl Williams 0429916402
Lyndoch Chair - Steve Fiebiger 0448294696
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Parish Administration Officer: Wendy Liebelt - lyndochlutheran@gmail.com

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