



Southern Barossa Lutheran Church Newsletter

Sunday, 25 January 2026

Third Sunday after Epiphany

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.

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY

Bethany 10:30am HC Pr Gus Schutz
Grace - St Paul's 9:00 am
Langmeil No services
Lyndoch No Services
Tabor 9:00 am HC Pr Gus Schutz

SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY

Bethany 10:30am
Grace - St John's 9:00 am
Langmeil 8:45 am HC and 10:30 am HC Pr. Peter Bean
Lyndoch 10:30am Lay Worship
Schoenborn 9:00am
Tabor no service

SUNDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2026

Combined Service 9:00am Pr Peter Bean - Harvest Centre, Faith Junior Campus
Followed by Call Meeting

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026

The First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4 People who have lived in darkness have seen a great light

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 An appeal to avoid factions

The Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23 Jesus begins his work - light has dawned

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday - Matthew 4:12-23

Monday - Isaiah 60:19-22

Tuesday - Luke 1:66-79

Wednesday - Luke 4:14-21

Thursday - Luke 5: 1-11

Friday - 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Saturday - Psalm15

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

Almighty and eternal God,
you rule over everything in heaven and on earth. In mercy listen to the prayers of your people, and give us your peace in our times.

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

Thank you, saving God, for all the good things you have given us,
especially for your Son, the light for the world.

Teach us to live in his light, remaining in harmony with one another and reaching out in love to others.

Amen.

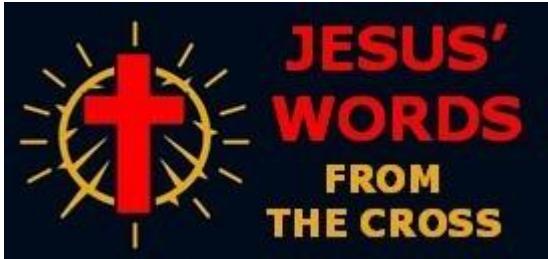
Please pray for the SBLC

Heavenly Father be with us as we draw near to calling a Pastor. Guide our thoughts and discussions on calling Pastor Phil or Pastor Stephen. Give us clear direction and bless our decision in the coming weeks.

Amen.

THIS WEEK'S QUOTE

Thank God that we don't have to wait for the light at the end of the tunnel.
We have the "Light of the World" through the tunnel.



Lenten Series: "Jesus' Words from the Cross"

In His final moments on the cross, Jesus spoke seven profound statements - words that echo through history and speak directly to our hearts today. These are not just words of suffering; they are words of hope, forgiveness, love, and victory. Each phrase reveals the depth of God's grace and the power of His plan for redemption.

Join us as we journey through "Jesus' Words from the Cross", exploring what a selection of these statements mean for our lives. Discover how his words bring comfort in pain, assurance in uncertainty, and strength in surrender. This series will draw us closer to the heart of Christ and remind us of the incredible love displayed on Calvary.

Don't miss this opportunity to reflect, renew, and rejoice in the message of the cross 7:30pm, each Wednesday evening during Lent.

Ash Wednesday: Feb 18, at Grace St Paul's – Pastor Peter Kriewaldt

Wednesday Feb 25: Schoenborn – Pastor Greg Schiller

Wednesday March 4: Tabor – Pastor Ian Lutze

Wednesday March 11: Bethany – Pastor Brian Schwarz

Wednesday March 18: Langmeil

Wednesday March 25: Lyndoch – Pastor Jim Bryan

SOUTHERN BAROSSA LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

As part of the SBLC amalgamation into a single entity, we are establishing a clear and accessible feedback system to ensure congregational members have the opportunity to ask questions and share their thoughts throughout the process.

Each congregation will have a Question/Query Box located at their church site for written submissions. For those who prefer digital access, here is a QR code that links to an online feedback option.

You may also email your questions and queries directly to The Hub, cchubtan@gmail.com or submit written queries via the letter box in the front door of The Hub.

We value open communication and appreciate your support and participation as we move forward together.

Church Governance Council and Ministry Team



A MESSAGE FROM THE CALL COMMITTEE

Notice of SBLC Call Meeting on 8th February 2026

The Call Committee have met and after prayerful consideration, finalized the review of pastors to fill the role of Lead Pastor for the SBLC.

The following two pastors have been selected for consideration by the congregation members:-

- Phil Joppich
- Stephen Schultz

A copy of the full notice and information about each candidate is available from The Hub.

SBLC SAFE CHURCH STATEMENT

The Southern Barossa Lutheran Church is committed to providing a safe church environment for children, young people and vulnerable people. The Southern Barossa Lutheran Church acknowledges that children are a precious gift from God, with special vulnerabilities, that they require nourishment and nurture in their spiritual development and that they are to be protected from all forms of abuse. Southern Barossa Lutheran Church also affirms that it has no tolerance for child abuse and that all its people have an important responsibility to care for children and to keep them safe. The way we care for children reflects our genuineness of faith. It is also a reflection of God's love and his divine protection.

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

HUGAMUGS AND SPROCKET ROCKETS

Tuesday, January 27th, Hugamugs meet at 10am at Lambert Estate Wines (55 Long Gully Rd, Angaston) ...-and-

Sprocket Rockets get together at Barossa Artisans (24 Vine Vale Road, Tanunda) at 10.30am on Thursday, January 29th after leaving the Langmeil Church carpark at 9.30am.

HAPPENING AT THE HUB

The Hub Committee would like to extend a huge '**thank you**' our wonderful volunteers who helped to make the **Yiros Stall at The Hot Rod Show** a great success. We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you to Chris and Dennis Canute, Karen and Bob Mitchell, Kathryn Marschall, Raelene Mattner, Sue and Geoff Nicolai, Pr Will Samson, Val and David West, Angelique Weyerhauser, Elaine Wilson, Merv Storton (loan of BBQ and Gas) and especially to Jeanette Marshall for her amazing organisation skills.

We raised \$2255.95 towards the running of The Hub.

Happening this week

Kids go back to school this week and Art group starts 10am Wednesday morning

We are very blessed at The Hub to have Pastor Will Samson from Barossa Community Church as a tenant in one of our small offices. He was instrumental in setting up the Heat Refuge a couple of weeks ago, and it's wonderful to have a Pastor on site. He's also rather handy for lifting heavy things.

Pastor Will came to faith in Jesus in 2004 in Wynnum, Queensland, and has been actively involved in both community and church-based ministry ever since. He was ordained as a Baptist Pastor in 2014 and has been serving the Barossa Community Church since 2021. Will is also a qualified and experienced Social Worker and Counsellor.

Will is deeply committed to helping those who are lost discover hope in God, and to encouraging believers to explore and richly live out their faith and God-given gifts. He is passionate about seeing God's people and their communities thrive and grow.

The Samson family includes Will, his wife Tegan, their children Summer and Isaac, and their adopted daughter Jess, who lives in Brisbane. Will has had a lifelong interest in motor racing and motorcycling, pursuits he continues to enjoy whenever possible.

HOLY TRINITY MOVIE NIGHT

1 February 2026 7 PM In-Lawfully Yours

The movies at **Holy Trinity Church Hall Nuriootpa** are back!

Join us **Sunday 1 February** for "**In-Lawfully Yours**". What happens when a non-Christian divorced woman from New York City meets up with a widowed Pastor in a small town? Moving to the small town of Bethel Cove to help her ex-mother-in-law pack up her home, Jesse finds herself clashing with the local community as she begins a comical faith journey which finds her asking questions in church during the sermon and falling in love with the pastor. We hope you can join us for an evening of laughter and fellowship. The movie starts @ 7PM and is still just **\$5 which gets you popcorn and a drink!**



CHAIR YOGA - Thursdays 8.45am – 9.30am at Tabor Church Hall, Tanunda

This is a low impact class which can help with mobility, strength and balance, all from the comfort of your chair! A gentle and revitalising class designed to be safe, enjoyable and suitable for all levels of mobility. \$10 per class
For more information call Lynda 0428 191 962

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 5BBFm - 89.1fm.

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

KYB 2026
INTRODUCTORY TOUR
Tuesday 3rd February
The Christian Community Hub
83 Murray Street, Tanunda
Speaker: Val Zerna
9:30 Commencing with
Morning Tea
Tanunda
RSVP Contact Dianne
Mob: 0417 819 722



Val Zerna
Val has led mission trips in a number of countries and her greatest joy is sharing the truth of God's Word and encouraging people in their walk with God.

Topic: Selected Psalms (Part 1)
All Welcome

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: Max Schubert, Robert Pfitzner, Matthew Roesler, Emma Habermann, Pat King, Ramona Gierke

Families:

Nathan, Rebecca, Henry, Ruby & George Gogoll
Glen, Chris & Jordan Schulz

Daniel & Gayle Grieger
Max Schubert

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: Speak O Lord, AT384, AT429, AT315

Grace ladies & friends: coffee, cake, conversation: D&M's Bakery Café, Angaston: 2 pm Friday 30 January. For transport - Wendy (0409 632 916) or Julie (0427 311 596). Please join us.

We celebrate this week:

Upcoming Birthdays: Neville Rosenzweig; Craig Rogasch; Dennis Schiller

Upcoming Wedding Anniversaries: Eric & Betty Lange

Upcoming Baptism Anniversaries: Carlene Schmaal

Please pray

- We pray for our fellow saints and for all their loved ones, especially today we pray for Pat Saegenschnitter, Trevor & Dianne Saegenschnitter, Robert & Wendy Schiller; Kim, Dave, Ella, Mason & Henry Bradbrook (USA); Tom Schiller; Ben, Tamara, Harrison & Charlie Schiller. You know all their needs; into Your fatherly hands we entrust them.
- Healing and comforting Father, remember all who are sick and in need. We especially pray for Malcolm Linke, for Merv Storton, for Irwin Beitz, for Peter Gladigau, for Jolie Zadow, for Pauline Fromm, and their families.
- We pray for a positive way ahead for the wine industry and the Barossa. Watch over the physical, mental and spiritual health of all vigneron and those in the wine industry, giving them the peace of the knowledge that You hold the future in Your hands.

Note! If you have any other prayer requests, please, let Pastoral Assistants or your Support Network Group know by end of day Thursday.

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: Daryl Wohlers, David Boerth, David West, Pastor Len Gerschwitz, Eric Pfeiffer, Peter Tscharke, Margaret Hahn, Peter Boschen, Vera Menz, Howard Klaebe, Penny Pfitzner and others with MS.

Birthdays:

25 - Clara Kokegei, 26 - Helen Schild, 27 - Ivy Ahrns, 28 - Matthew Munzberg, 30 - Kathleen Clarke, 31 - Sonia Holzknecht

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY: February 15

On this Sunday we share our gratitude to God and give thanks for our blessings when Pastor Brian leads our Thanksgiving services.

You can also give thanks in practical ways by donating ...

- non-perishable packets/cans (these go to Lutheran Care)
- produce (will go to 'Community Kitchen', a local charity that provides meals)
- or a monetary gift

These will be gratefully received at each of our services. You can also bring items to the office the week before, or on the afternoon of Saturday 14th

AVAILABLE FROM THE LANGMEIL OFFICE:

LLL 2026 Calendars

2026 Offering Envelopes (\$15).

CAN YOU HELP US? This year we have been trying to recruit 2 more persons (male or female) to assist with the set up and cleanup procedures when we have Holy Communion. If you have any questions regarding this role please contact David Mattschoss - 0438 135 812.

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.

January 24

Clean TLC: Judi Schmidt, Leon and Carlene Koch, Jenny Griege

Yard Cleaning: Ev Leske, Des Schiller

SUNDAY JAN. 18

Attendance: 64 (8:45 am) + 70 (10:30 am) = 134

Offering: \$1,294.00 + \$1,572.70 (REG) = \$2,866.70

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; Iris Kies; Ron Fromm, Shirley & Don Wegener; SBLC, Lutheran Care

Songs at Lyndoch: Nil

Diary dates: 1 February- Lay Worship

Lyndoch: 10.30am NO AGM

Rowland Flat: 9am followed by AGM

SBLC Call meeting: Sunday 8 Feb, 9am @ Harvest Centre

Parish AGM: Sunday 15 February, 9am service, followed by AGM

Parish Service: Sunday 22 February, 10am @ Lyndoch. HC + Baptism

Lyndoch AGM: Sunday 15 March following 9am Worship.

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.

7 Margaret Street (PO Box 396) Lyndoch SA 5351

Lyndoch Pastoral Assistants - Michael Kies 0419817203, Cheryl Williams 0429916402

Lyndoch Chair - Steve Fiebiger 0448294696

Rowland Flat Pastoral Assistant- Tania Heinrich 0409679164

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