



Southern Barossa Lutheran Church Newsletter

Sunday, 1 March 2026

Second Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Colour – Violet

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 1 MARCH 2026

Bethany 10:30am
Grace – St Paul's 9:00am HC Pr Gus Schutz
Langmeil - 8:45am HC and 10:30am HC
Pr Jim Bryan
Lyndoch 9:00am Pr Greg Schiller
Schoenborn 9:00am + AGM
Tabor no service

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH – LENTEN EVENING

Tabor 7:30pm Pr Ian Lutze

SUNDAY 8 MARCH 2026

Bethany 10:30am HC Pr Peter Hartwich
Grace - St Paul's no services
Langmeil 9:30am PNG Reunion Pr Dean Zweck
10:30am FUEL
Lyndoch 9am HC Pr Gus Schutz
Tabor 9:00 am HC Pr Peter Hartwich

WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH LENTEN EVENING

Bethany 7:30pm Pr Brian Schwarz

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 1 MARCH 2026

The First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a The call of Abraham

Psalms 121

The Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 Abraham our father, justified by faith

The Gospel: John 3:1-17 God so loved the world that he gave his only Son

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday – John 3:1-17

Tuesday - Genesis 17:1–7, 15, 16

Ash Wednesday – Isaiah 41:8-13

Wednesday – Isaiah 19:7-13

Thursday – Acts 7:2-8

Friday - Hebrews 11:8-12

Saturday - Psalm 95

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God,

You know that by ourselves we have no strength.

Defend us from all calamities that may happen to the body, and cleanse us from all evil thoughts that may attack the soul.

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, loving God, for sending your Son as our Saviour.

Help us to trust in him and follow wherever you lead us, serving you and our fellow human beings with all that we have.

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

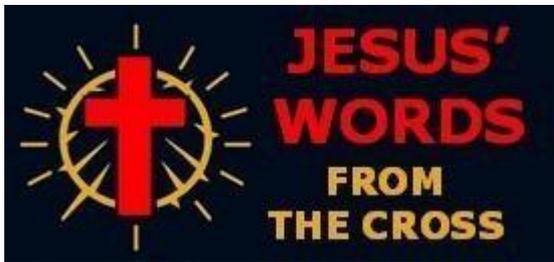
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SBLC

God, there is nothing that compares to your great love for us. May we be the shining light of that love into our families, places of work and our local communities. **Amen.**

THIS WEEK'S QUOTE

God's love is like an ocean; you can see it's beginning, but not it's end!

Rick Warren



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.

Wednesday March 4: Tabor – Pastor Ian Lutze **Wednesday March 11:** Bethany – Pastor

Brian Schwarz **Wednesday March 18:** Langmeil - Pastor Graham Jenke

Wednesday March 25: Lyndoch – Pastor Jim Bryan

SOUTHERN BAROSSA LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

A NEW NAME FOR OUR CONGREGATION

As the Lutheran Churches of the Southern Barossa move forward as **one congregation with many doors**, we are prayerfully discerning a name that reflects, our shared history, our unity in Christ and our calling into the future. A name does more than identify us - it tells a story about who we are and who God is calling us to be. *A copy of the name change document is available with this newsletter.*

A MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

An annual SBLC budget has been prepared to indicate the anticipated financial position of the new single entity when the six SBLC congregations amalgamate in the coming months. The budget is based on each congregation's 2026 expense budget and the actual offerings and other income received during 2025. Capital expenditures included in individual congregations' 2026 budgets have been excluded from this consolidated budget. These costs will instead be funded from existing net rental income and invested cash reserves currently held by the respective congregations.

A copy of the budget document is available with this newsletter

SBLC DRAFT CONSTITUTION

The draft SBLC Constitution has been submitted to the LCA SA-NT District for review by the Constitution Committee. The Committee is scheduled to meet in early March to consider the document.

A copy of the draft Constitution is available with this newsletter.

2025 SBLC GOVERNANCE COUNCIL REPORT

The SBLC Governance Council have released the Annual Report for 2025. Copies available at The Hub.

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.



YOUNG LIFE

CAN AND BOTTLE RUN – FRIDAY 13th MARCH

RAISING FUNDS FOR SUMMER CAMP 2027

CONTACT TIFFANY VOIGT 0466 039 463 OR EMAIL tiffanyvoigt@younglife.org.au

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A PICKUP

SBLC Q & A SESSIONS



Please note these sessions will be held after the Sunday worship

Sunday 1st March - Langmeil 9.45am & 11.30am

Sunday 8th March - Bethany 11.30am

Sunday 15th March - Tabor 10am

Sunday 22nd March - Grace 10am, Lyndoch 11.30am

Sunday 29th March - Combined Service 10am

Join the Governance Council for an opportunity to ask questions, share feedback and be a part of 'what's next' with our SBLC congregations



For more information:

contact your SBLC Rep or

Chris Pfeiffer M 0431 288 494 E: chris@pfeiffermail.com

INTRODUCING LYFT (Lifting the Young & Faithful Together).

We have a Youth Group! On Sunday the 22nd of February 23 young people joined together for their first event and came up with their group name. LYFT is led by young people for young people and will be held monthly on the fourth Sunday. To ensure we can meet our safe church requirements and support our youth we are asking for volunteers who either have their Safe Church level 1 or would be willing to undertake this training to go on a roster to be in attendance at youth events.

If interested or you have any questions, please get in contact with

Travis Schiller (travschiller@gmail.com)

TANUNDA LUTHERAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Next Meeting: March 12th

Time: 1:30pm

Theme: Something from your kitchen that begins with the letter of your first name.

Bible Study

Project Donations: Aboriginal Missions, Alice Springs Aboriginal Women's Support Worker

Hosts: Grace

YOUNG LIFE

2026 Programs

We have breakfast clubs at Nuri High on Wednesdays and Faith (senior) on Thursdays with Club and WYLDlife on a Thursday.

For more information about any of our programs or to join our contact list for prayer, contact Tiffany Voigt on 0466039463 or email tiffanyvoigt@younglife.org.au

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

SBLC PASTORAL CARE TEAM

LORNA SCHILLER LANGMEIL

Here is a brief story of my life. I was born on Friday April 13th 1951, 2nd daughter of Meta and Herb Pfeiffer at Eudunda Hospital, and baptised into the Lutheran faith on May 13th, at St Stephan's, Neales Flat. I have 3 sisters and 1 brother.

We had a lot of fun on our small mixed farm, where our parents instilled in us a work ethic, doing many farm and household chores, gardening and even making butter, bread, jams and preserves.



I went to St John's Lutheran School in Eudunda and then to Eudunda Area School for three years.

Then I got a Christmas holiday job on a sheep station looking after two young boys, 1 and 5 years old. I loved it so much that school was then forgotten, but as a 15 year old, shearing and crutching time with a large team was an exciting challenge!! You certainly didn't calculate how many hours you worked per day! This led to many domestic home jobs, then to Eudunda Hospital as ward maid, laundress and cook.

I met my husband Des at Neales Flat-Peep Hill Youth, and soon found he had similar interests in Church, Youth fundraising and making things happen. We got married November 13th, 1971 and were blessed with 2 children and now 2 grandchildren. We also were Eudunda Junior Youth Counsellors at the time our children were babies, so inbuilt babysitters!

We had a small farm, Des was a shearer, so in my spare time I sewed curtains for the Hambours stores, plus 100's of school uniforms. With still more spare time, I loved to support young children with their reading, thus started my involvement in the catering at St John's School.

When shearing days were over for Des, we had 8 wonderful years managing Eudunda Community Club. In April 2001 we were called to manage Faith College Canteen and Catering. Once again, I was back with young students! Our dear Lord has really blessed us!

Eventually retirement came, which gave more time for serving others. Kiwanis has a wonderful way of supporting Children in need, plus many requests for catering in the community, if it fits in the diary, I'm happy to help.

I thank the Lord for His love and goodness to me in health, strength and knowledge in being able to support others, as one day I may need help too.

HUGAMUGS AND SPROCKET ROCKETS

Hugamugs gather at 10am on Tuesday (March 3rd) at Melbas Chocolates (29 Valley Rd, Angaston) and Sprockets arrive at the same venue at 10.30am on Thursday (March 5th) again after leaving the Langmeil Church carpark at 9.30am.

HAPPENING AT THE HUB

Tuesday 3 March - KYB 9:30am

- Bethany/Tabor Church Council Meetings 7:30pm

Wednesday 4 March – Art Group 10:00am

Thursday 5 March - My Time 9:30am

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Palm Sunday – 29th March 2026 1.30pm at the St Paul's Lutheran Church, Tanunda

Tickets available from The Good Seed Bookshop - eftpos available

Adults \$50 Concession \$45. Limited tickets available. No seat allocations.

Please arrive at the venue 30 minutes prior to performance starting.

MARCH MOVIE AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL, NURIOOTPA.

Join us on Sunday 1 March for the next movie at Holy Trinity Church Hall in Nuriootpa. We will be showing "Gifted Hands-The Ben Carson Story" which is the true story about a renowned brain surgeon who overcame obstacles to change the course of medicine forever.

Young Ben Carson didn't have much of a chance. Growing up in a broken home amongst poverty and prejudice, his grades suffered, and his temper flared. And yet, his mother never lost her faith in him. Insisting he follow the opportunities she never had, she helped to grow his imagination, intelligence and, most importantly, his belief in himself. That faith would be his gift – the thing that would drive him to follow his dream of becoming one of the world's leading neurosurgeons.

Movie starts @ 7 PM and is still just \$5! Hope you can join us!



World Day of Prayer 2026

Focus on **Nigeria**



**10.00am on FRIDAY 6th MARCH - OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC CHURCH
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CATHY DALY 0414 466 165**

PNG MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP REUNION 2026

8th March (the Sunday of South Australia's long weekend) Langmeil Lutheran Church, 7 Maria St, Tanunda
Registration and fellowship from 9:00 with worship beginning at 9:30.

The day's program will include worship, a meal and a program, all concluding about 3:30.

Preacher: Dr Dean Zweck. MC: Anna Schrapel, daughter of missionaries Ralph and Julia Goldhardt.

Morning tea and lunch will be catered at a cost of \$25 per person (cash only).

For catering purposes please respond no later than 22 February.

RSVP to Mary Jo mjzwar@hotmail.com or by phone 8263 7867

THANK YOU FROM LUTHERAN CARE

Your continued wonderful support is appreciated as we move into Harvest Thanksgiving.

Pantry items currently needed are:

Long Life Milk	Pasta Sauce	Pasta	Tinned Soup	Tinned Spaghetti
Cereal	Vegemite/	Peanut Butter	Men's Deodorant	

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 837 422, Raelene Falland 0407 632 032, Kay Kleemann 0448 065 425, Helen Menzel 0409 283201, Geoff Nicolai 0401 424503, Trevor Ratsch 0403 561 709, Anne Schmidt 0408 002 726, Daph Schmidt 0417 834 661, Steven Sickerdick 0408 835 004, or Dianne Trenberth 0488 558 502.

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

Families:

Suzan & Madison Smith
Monica Hueppauff

Shelley & Eunice Spencer
Peter Hueppauff

Bethany Members please check and note the new rosters now available for March – August 2026.

Lenten Service at Bethany followed by Supper **Wednesday March 11th**

Could Bethany members please leave their plate of Supper in the Hall before the Service. Thanks. Please check the new Roster for jobs on this night.

Bethany Notice of Meeting

There will be a meeting after the worship service on Sunday 8th March to discuss remedial works to the road verge in front of the church.

Proposal:

That the quotations of B Civil Excavations \$13,200 and All Suburbs Bitumen \$21,450 be accepted to complete the remedial drainage works required to the road verge at the front of the church property.

Moved: Jo Ahrens; Seconded: Dennis Canute

Information in support of the Proposal:

Grant Dahlitz has been working hard over the past six months liaising with the Barossa Council and securing quotes to complete the remedial works required on our front road verge. Quotes have now been received for the earthworks required to fix the drainage issues and then resealing with bitumen.

This is a substantial capital expenditure totaling \$34,650. The extent of the earthworks required will affect both the neighbouring driveways. It is our understanding that Barossa Council are footing the bill for the removal of the old bitumen which would have added further substantial cost.

Unfortunately, the time it has taken to get this far means that Grant Dahlitz and Trevor Ratsch are asking for a quick decision to go ahead. They wish to have the work done before winter and believe that the bitumen works could be done in May.

As this is a significant capital expense which is not in the approved budget, we will require approval from church members (25% quorum) to go ahead. There is sufficient funding available. Please make every effort to be at worship on the 8th March.

Blessings,

Dennis Canute, Secretary

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

Grace – Tanunda

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

Merv Storton 0488 743 323

Elizabeth Jaeschke 0459 472 836

Trevor Braunack 0409 633 829

evries@ihug.com.au

n.jaeschke@bigpond.com

schonborn@bigpond.com

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

Bethlehem – Schoenborn

Songs: LH51, LH53, LH377, LH368

A Special Meeting will be held at St Paul's this Sunday 1st March, immediately after the 9 am service to vote on Mission Funds.

We celebrate this week:

Upcoming Birthdays: Kate Heinrich; Peter Bergen; Margaret Kleinig; Sandy Both; Marlene Hoffmann

Upcoming Baptism Anniversaries: Peter Gladigau; Dennis Schiller; Sandy Both

Please pray

We pray for our fellow saints and for all their loved ones, especially today we pray for Margaret Werner; Greg Werner; Colin Werner; Sue Werner; Anthony Werner; Peter Werner; Kathy Werner; Leanne & John Semmler; Michelle & Warren Manning. 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 Trevor Mattner, for Irwin Beitz, for Peter Gladigau, for Jolie Zadow, for Pauline Fromm, and their families.

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

Birthdays:

March 1 – Jenny Grieger, 2 – Margaret Hahn, Brenton Dutschke, Karen Rosenzweig, 3 – Quentin Nuske, 7 – Steven Zimmermann

THIS WEEK:

Young Life leaders' meeting, Sunday March 1, 5 pm at Langmeil
Lenten Evening 3, Wed. March 4, 7:30 pm at Tabor

SUNDAY MARCH 8:

On this day the PNG Missionary Reunion will be held at Langmeil. This will begin when they join us for worship at our first service, which will begin at 9:30 a.m. and be led by ex-PNG missionary Dr Dean Zweck.

SA STATE ELECTIONS: Pre-election voting will again be held in the Langmeil Hall. This means that the hall and Launchpad will be inaccessible to us from March 10-24 inclusive. **If you have any items or materials in that area that you require during that time these need to be removed and placed elsewhere prior to those dates.**

LANGMEIL HALL - OUT OF BOUNDS DUE TO PRE-POLLING - March 10-24

SECONDHAND BOOKS: Please help yourself to any of the books on the table in the fellowship area. Books (many of them Christian) for adults and children, most in excellent condition.

AN SBLC QUESTION/QUERY BOX can be found on the table in the fellowship area, so do take advantage if you have any questions or queries for the Governance Council or any other SBLC Team.

THE LENTEN DEVOTION BOOKLET "Hope for our Future" is now available, with a daily devotion for each of the 40 days of Lent, starting with Ash Wednesday on Feb 18. Copies in The Link or from the office.

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: March 7 (*For detailed March rosters follow the link below*)

Clean TLC: David and Noleen Mattschoss, David and Judith Hoffrichter

Yard Cleaning: Harald Sames, Ian Jaensch

Church Office: 0493 797 220

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 12 noon, Monday – 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; Shirley & Don Wegener; SBLC; Pastor Stephen as he considers the call; Lutheran Care

Songs at Lyndoch: LH 467, AT 246, AT 349, Count your blessings

Diary dates: 8 March - HC Ps G Schutz

Lyndoch: 9:00am

Rowland Flat: 10:30am.

Harvest Thanksgiving service: Sunday 1 March @ both sites. Lyndoch goods (non-perishable or produce) to be at the Church by 5pm.

Lyndoch Women's Fellowship: Wednesday 4 March, 1.30pm in the hall.

Lyndoch Church Council meeting: Thursday 12 March, 7.30pm in hall.

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

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Lyndoch Chair - Steve Fiebiger 0448294696

Rowland Flat Pastoral Assistant– Tania Heinrich 0409679164