



Living Vine Lutheran Church Newsletter
Sunday 23 August 2026
Thirteenth 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.

SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2026

Bethany 10:30am HC Pr Phil Joppich
Grace - St John's 9:00am
Langmeil no services
Lyndoch 9:00am HC Pr Wayne Kerber
Tabor 9:00am HC Pr Phil Joppich

SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2026

Combined Service 9:00am Pr Phil Joppich
The Harvest Centre, Faith Junior Campus, please bring a pen
Hosts: Langmeil

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2026

The First Reading a) Exodus 1:8–2:10 The slavery of Israel and the birth of Moses

b) Isaiah 51:1–6 The earth will pass away, but God's salvation is forever

a) Psalm 124 or b) Psalm 138

The Second Reading: Romans 12:1–8 The basis of ethics, and advice on gifts The Gospel Reading:

Matthew 16:13–20 Peter declares Jesus to be the Christ

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday - Matthew 16:13-20

Monday - Joshua 23:1, 2a, 14-18

Tuesday - John 3:25-36

Wednesday - Acts 5:27-32

Thursday - Acts 26:19-29

Friday - 1 Peter 2:4-10

Saturday - Psalm 26:1-8

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Thank you, Jesus Christ,
the Son of the living God, that you have established your
church on earth and opened the door to your Father's
presence. Build us up as your church on the sure
foundation of faith in you.

For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for giving faith to us and to your whole church, and for the gift of forgiveness. Help us in
gratitude to offer ourselves in your service. Lead us to work in harmony with one another, using the gifts
you have given us for the common good. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE LVLC

Loving God, flow through our worship and our lives. Expand your love in and through each of us and
through our community of faith, that we might create a house of such hospitality and love that all may
feel truly welcome. Amen.

PRAY FOR MISSION, UNITY AND COMMUNITY

Young Life, Schools, Godly Play, Pastoral Care Workers, Lutheran Care, Lutheran Homes Barossa,
Barossa Village, The Hub, Grow Love Garden, GOoD Seed, Funday Sunday, Bible Society,
German Services, Living Vine Lutheran Church

THIS WEEK'S QUOTE

Jesus is not an option in my life. He is a daily necessity.

A NOTE FROM PASTOR PHIL

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, special and precious offshoots of the true and Living Vine, please consider what a wonderful and awesome mystery we live with to believe Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. Along with Peter, (the Apostle - or any other Peter for whom this is also true) let's be amazed that Jesus responded to Peter's confession of faith: 'Blessed are you, ..., for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.' (Matthew 16:17 NIVUK). God bless you and your day, In Christ, the Living Vine

Pastor Phil Joppich

Living Vine Lutheran Church

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LIVING VINE LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE

St Paul's & St John's Time Capsule Event Sunday, 15 November 2026

More details coming soon!

Grace will be opening the St Paul's and St John's Time Capsules this year (as decided at the May AGM). The TC Event group are looking for photos and memorabilia to display with the Capsule contents. If you have any older photos or items of interest related to St Paul's or St John's, please contact us asap or by the 25th September.

St Paul's: Sheryl 0400 105 292 St John's: Jan 0417 815 869

AUDIO HELPERS FOR ST PAUL'S AND ST JOHN'S WORSHIP CENTRES

Alan Bartsch is the only person doing the Grace audio/sound 3 Sundays a month, this is a big commitment and potentially an issue when he can't be there.

Alan has an easy, detailed list of instructions to follow. Sit with him for a service and he'll show you what to do, it's not difficult. Can you please help! Contact Alan on 0403 501 237

LVLC SAFE CHURCH STATEMENT

The Living Vine Lutheran Church is committed to providing a safe church environment for children, young people and vulnerable people. The Living Vine 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. Living Vine 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.

LVLC 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 LVLC - NEWS AND EVENTS

HUGAMUGS AND SPROCKET ROCKETS

Tuesday (August 18th) Hugamugs turn up at The Barossa Valley Chocolate Company, 64 Burings Road Tanunda at 10:30am, and Sprocket Rockets get together at the same place at 10.30am on Thursday (August 20th) after leaving the Langmeil Church carpark at 9.30am.

The Christian Community Hub 83 Murray Street TANUNDA

Phone 8563 3748 Email: cchubtan@gmail.com

HAPPENING AT THE HUB

SALA 1-31 August - Exhibition by Margie Rossack and participant in

Our Town: A Children's Guide to Tanunda, a unique exhibition created by the Foundation students of Faith Lutheran College - a guide to Tanunda through their own eyes.

Tuesday - Know Your Bible 9:30am - Meeting Room, Tuesday Lunch Bunch 11:30am-1:30pm

Wednesday - Art Group 10:00am - Front Room

Thursday - My Time 9:30-11:30am



TUESDAY LUNCH BUNCH

Second and Fourth Tuesday of the month.

Join us at The Hub for Tuesday Lunch Bunch. Whether you're new to the area, living on your own, missing good conversation, or simply looking to connect with others, we'd love to share a meal with you.

No cost. No expectations. Just good food and good company.

Everyone welcome. Bring a friend.

To find out more call The Christian Community Hub on 8563 3748



BIBLE SOCIETY AUGUST PRAYER LETTER

It never stops being an encouragement, knowing that our supporters are faithfully praying for people, communities and Bible ministry around the world. Your prayers are a vital part of this work, and we are grateful for them.

What an amazing privilege it is to see God's Word bring hope to so many people. From Bible translation in Colombia, to trauma healing ministries in Jordan, Kenya and Slovenia, to Scripture engagement in First Nations languages here in Australia, we see God continuing to work through his Word in people's lives. You can pick up a copy of the Prayer letter from The Hub.

The Regional Learning Hub at St Petri has some exciting new courses starting soon.

Acts of the Spirit Retreat weekend with Rev Dr Dean Zweck will be on 11-13 September. We have a program which includes initial session on Friday; informative teachings, a bus trip, candlelight dinner on Saturday; preaching, lunch and a final session on Sunday. More details will be out very soon. You are encouraged to come along and invite your friends to join you.

Our Faith Journey with Ev Leske & friends will be on Sunday afternoons on Oct 18-Nov 28

To find out more contact St Petri on 8562 1011.

Fancy a night at the opera whilst doing something good for South Australians in need?

Head along to State Opera South Australia's upcoming production of Hansel and Gretel, and \$10 from every ticket sold through the special booking link below will help support South Australians at risk of and experiencing homelessness.

Running from August 21-29 at Her Majesty's Theatre, Hansel and Gretel is based on the haunting original by the Brothers Grimm, and brings to life a timeless story of courage, cunning, and the triumph of self-reliance. To purchase your tickets

<https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/Show.aspx?sh=HANSELGR26&ep=LUTCARE>

Shoebox Season Is Here! The Power of a Simple Gift

When you pack shoebox gifts for Operation Christmas Child, God works in a powerful way to equip local church partners to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with children and their families.

On average, every 24 hours, 31,020 boys and girls in over 100 countries will receive a shoebox gift and hear the Gospel presented in their language. There's no better time to start packing shoebox gifts with your family, church or community group!

2026 National Collection Week Australia: 12 – 26 October

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

LUTHERAN CARE

Thank you for your donations. You have all been so generous and the food pantry is well stocked for people seeking Emergency Relief. Please find below items that we are running low on for August:

Sweet/Savory Biscuits

Tinned Tuna

Long life milk

Cereal

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.

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.

You are invited to join the Genealogy SA Special Interest Group

Saturday 29th August, for the Bethany Segment of their Barossa Visit.

Hosted by Don Ross, and Anna Schrapel.

Commencing at 9:30am – Greetings & Morning Tea in the Church Hall, following by a Power point Presentation in the Church illustrating the reasons of early migration to S.A. and Bethany, as well as the story of the Herberge Christi Lutheran Church and School.

By 11:00am we will proceed to the Bethany Pioneer Cemetery: A historic resting place detailing the lives of early German settlers. The morning will conclude with a visit to Thiele House Ruins, home of the Carl Heinrich Thiele one of the 1852 trustees who purchased the land of the original Bethany settlement from George Fife Angas. R.S.V.P. required for Morning Tea, by Wed.26th August. Phone: 0409 429 507

We Remember in Prayer

The Sick: Samantha Bartsch, Michelle Schulz, Max Schubert, Robert Pfitzner, Matthew Roesler, Anne Schmidt, Neta Neldner, Joan Hueppauff

Families:

Jonno & Tiffany, Amelia, Titus Voigt
Glen & Ann, Lachlan Gierke

Angelika, Silvania, Ryan Weyerhauser
Hayley & Scott Habermann

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

GRACE -TANUNDA

BETHLEHEM- SCHOENBOEN

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, AT405, AT316, AT345

Grace ladies and friends: coffee afternoon, 2 pm, D&M's Bakery Cafe, Angaston, 28th August. Please come.

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We celebrate this week:

Upcoming Birthdays: Jeneane Zimmermann, Noleen Thom

Upcoming Wedding Anniversaries: Marco & Dianne Litterini

Upcoming Baptism Anniversaries: Dale John, Kathryn Marschall, Sam Zadow, Holly Zadow, Eric Lange, Robert Ratsch, Robert Schiller

Please pray

Healing and comforting Father, remember all who are sick and in need. We especially pray for Roger Both as he undergoes hip surgery, John Schuster, Prue & Doug Vogelsang, Ivy Schmaal, Eric Lange and Betty, for Brian (Nipper) Fechner, for Irwin Beitz, for Jolie Zadow, for Pauline Fromm, and their families.

We pray for our fellow saints and for all their loved ones, especially today we pray for Ivan Moll, Andrew & Victoria Moll, Ella & Alyssa Moll, Simon & Monica Moll, Liesl & Oliver Moll, Robert & Sharee Nies, Jack Arnold. You know all their needs, into Your fatherly hands we entrust them.

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: Anne Wilksch, Pastor Len Gerschwitz, Eric Pfeiffer, Peter Tschärke, Margaret Hahn, Peter Boschen, Howard Kläbe, Penny Pfitzner and others with MS.

Birthdays:

August 24 - Dianne Radke, 26 - Chris Leske, Stephen Lienert.

THIS WEEK

Combined LVLC Service, Sunday August 30, 9 am at Faith Junior School
LYFT, Sunday August 30, 4-7 pm at Langmeil

FURTHER AHEAD

Kaffee und Kuchen, Monday August 31, 1 pm at Langmeil
Young Life leaders, Sunday Sept. 6, 5-7 pm at Langmeil

SETTING UP FOR THE COMBINED SERVICE

We will be needing some help with set-up for the service on Sunday August 30. If you are available and willing to lend a hand please come along at 9 am on Saturday 29.

MORNING TEA

As Langmeil is organising the combined service on August 30, we are looking for donations of cakes and slices for morning tea. Please bring on the morning or speak to Lorna Schiller. Thankyou!

A COUPLE OF NEW HELPERS ...

are needed on the roster, to help tidy the cemetery for an hour each month. The main task is raking up fronds from the two Norfolk Island pines. If you can help, please contact Ev Leske, 0448 653 761.

CHRISTMAS EVE

We will again be having a combined celebration with Bethany-Tabor. Looking for offers from Langmeil people, who might be interested in helping to plan the evening, to join a small, combined group. A script has been provided, making this task so much easier. Please speak with Mark Pfitzner, 0428 198 111.

THANK YOU

Huge thanks to those who came and pruned our roses in the last few weeks. We really appreciate what you have done to prepare the bushes for a great blooming season this Spring.

HOME COMMUNIONS: If you know of anyone who is shut in at home, or who finds it difficult to get to church, we are happy to bring Holy Communion to them in their home. To organise, please speak to anyone on the Pastoral Support Team (above).

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: August 29

Clean TLC: Jenny Grieger, Greg and Clara Kokegei

Yard Cleaning: Peter Robinson, Erich Holzkecht

SUNDAY AUGUST 16

Attendance: 48 (8:45 am) + 85 (10:30 am) = 130

Offering: \$1,305.95 + \$1,805.70 (REG) = \$3,111.65

Church Office: 0493 797 220 Office Hours: 9:00 am - 12 noon, Monday – Friday

Admin Sec: Colleen Bryan 0434 247 717

LYNDOKH LUTHERAN PARISH “WHERE LOVE COMES TO LIFE”

Keep in your Prayers: Di Gilson; Jenni Edwards; Monica Wohlstadt; George Davies; Lorraine Schild; Grant Fewster & Cheryl; Keith Koch, Glenda and family; Lutheran Care, Pastor Phil and Jenny

Songs at Lyndoch: Psalm 138, Jesus Messiah, Your Word O Lord, Jesus asked one day

Diary dates:

30 August- Rowland Flat: 10am Lay Worship

Lyndoch: 9am combined LVLC @ Harvest centre, Tanunda

Lyndoch Church Council- Thursday 27 Aug, 7.30pm in the hall.

Lyndoch Women’s Fellowship meeting- Wednesday 2 Sept, 1.30pm in the hall. All welcome.

Barossa Women’s Fellowship Day- Friday 18 Sept. @ St Petri, Eden Valley, 9am-4pm. Please bring your own lunch.

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 0437 060 719 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

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7 Margaret Street (PO Box 396) Lyndoch SA 5351

Lyndoch Pastoral Assistants - Michael Kies 0419817203

Lyndoch Chair - Steve Fiebiger 0448294696

Rowland Flat Pastoral Assistant– Tania Heinrich 040967916

Please join us for the

Ordination of Paul Ridley

All are welcome

AUGUST

30

2:30PM

St Petri Lutheran church
21 Second St, Nuriootpa, SA

Afternoon tea provided in the hall
afterwards



BAROSSA SCHOOLS CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE

PRESENTS

A CAR BOOTSALE!

Saturday October 10

8.30am-1.00pm

iSee Church Carpark

Nuriootpa

\$ 20 per car

Coffee, tea and scones available

All proceeds go towards pastoral care in
Barossa schools

For further information or to book a site contact:

Steph- email: stephhoff29@gmail.com

Or call: 0417 887 299