



Sunday Bulletin

OUR MISSION: To know Christ and to make Him known

28TH MAY 2017 - 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER/THANKSLIVING SUNDAY

WELCOME!

A warm welcome to all of you as we worship together today. May God bless and strengthen you in every way.

VISITORS!

A special welcome to you. We hope that you feel at home with us. Please join in a cuppa and fellowship after the service.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God,
help us always
willingly to serve You as our king,
with a pure heart.
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.

**Clap your hands for joy, all peoples!
Praise God with loud songs!
The Lord, the Most High, is to be feared;
He is a great king, ruling over all the world.
He gave us victory over the peoples;
He made us rule over the nations.**

Sunday

Sandra Hensel

Thursday

Ollie Muller



The General Church Council of the Lutheran Church of Australia has approved specific standards of ethical behaviour for the Lutheran Church in both Australia and New Zealand. These standards are applicable to all aspects of the life of the church. For further information please see the Brochure in the Church Foyer: "LCA Standards of Ethical Behaviour". You may also find out more at www.lca.org.au/lca-standards-of-ethical-behaviour.html and by viewing the following video www.vimeo.com/203404541/72dd00349e The church is a safe place responding to sexual abuse complaints. Copies of the LCA Safe Place are available in the office or visit www.lca.org.au/safe-place--child-safe-2.html to report a complaint, free call 1800 644 628 number, or email: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au or mail LCA Safe Place PO Box 519 Marden SA 5070.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ, has been raised to the right hand of God. He fills everything in every way and has poured out the Holy Spirit in a new and dynamic way. In the confidence of God's loving presence, let us pray for the world, the church, and all our needs.

In our prayers:

- * nations and rulers of the earth: that there be peace in troubled places (including Syria, Middle East, South Sudan, and for all affected by the terrorist bombings in Manchester and Thailand),
- * the hungry, that they be fed (including the people of South Sudan), and we are inspired to help;
- * those who bear intolerable burdens of illness, grief, or anxiety that they may know true peace in the presence of Christ;
- * the church on earth that we continually rejoice in Jesus' presence among us;
- * all who suffer and are persecuted for the faith that they know God's strength and peace;
- * Lutheran Churches around the world who prepare for the 500th anniversary of 'The Reformation' that we strive to be true to God's Word;
- * the Lutheran Church of Australia, and blessing on Bishop John Henderson recovering from a heart attack, God's guiding and blessing on preparations for LCAQD Synod (2-4 June); and God's blessings on preparations for various camps (including 'Christian Life Week' for those in Years 7 to 12);
- * local Christian Congregations (including Star Christian church) and local Christian ministries (including School Chaplains and 'Help Them Shine' dinner 29th May);
- * our Community of Grace including: God's blessing and guiding as we consider ways of demonstrating a life of 'Thanksgiving'; guiding on plans for the future; blessing on preparations for the establishment of a 'Mainly Music Playgroup'; Open Day for Grace Lutheran Primary School (30th May);
- * all preparing for Baptism; First Communion, Confirmation, or Marriage;
- * all recovering from surgery or illness (including Vera Spann, Vikki Costin);
- * the housebound that they may know God's gracious presence;
- * all who mourn the death of loved ones (including the family and friends of Pastor Russell Weier, called from this life 21st June) that they rejoice in our sure hope of the resurrection.

The best way to defend Jesus
is to live like Him.

PLEASE NOTE No evening service on the weekend of District Synod, Sunday 4th June. Instead we will have a divine service at 8:30am at Grace Lutheran College Chapel.

THANKSLIVING SUNDAY Today you will have received a pamphlet, listing all the roles and tasks within the Grace congregation. Please prayerfully have a good look at the information you receive. We look forward to a positive and happy response from you. We encourage you to return the form asap. Thankyou for your dedication and contribution towards the Grace Community. *Romans 12:4-5 For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.*

VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL It is safe practice to have two adults present for our Sunday School lessons to ensure children are supervised well. Our lovely teachers (Kathy, Danielle, Rachel and Fleur) are looking for volunteers to be helpers. There is no preparation required. You just need to be present as an extra set of eyes and hands on a roster basis. Please ask Fleur (0415873172) for a volunteer form.

INSTRUCTION TOWARDS FIRST COMMUNION Pastor Mark will be commencing a group for instruction towards First Communion. This is for young people aged around 10 and up. If you wish to be included in this course, please speak with Pastor Mark.

GOOGA FAMILY CAMP Friday 30th June to Monday 3rd July. Come for all or part of the time! More info to come, see Donna to reserve your spot.

MAINLY MUSIC RESOURCES UPDATE There are now only a few more things that we really need before we can have our assessment session and those are: Safe and sturdy toys and Ice-cream container lids. If anyone is able to help out with this list of equipment, please either bring it to worship or ask Danielle for directions/instructions on how to make anything required. Thank you again to everyone who is supporting the call to mission through this ministry of our church. Blessings and love, Danielle

GRACE PRIMARY OPEN DAY Please Join Us for Our Open Day on Tuesday 30th May 2017. Come along to our Open Day and you will have the opportunity to observe students actively engaged in 21st century learning. As specialists in primary education, Grace Lutheran Primary School will showcase its educational programs and facilities, and our Principal will share insights and benefits of being part of the Grace Community. During the morning you can take part in student led guided tours, visit our displays in the Hall covering our digital technology overview, school camp programs, service learning and much more.

SUPPORTING WOODY POINT SPECIAL SCHOOL – The school is in need of some knitted beanies for students during the winter months. If you can donate some, please pass them on to Kay.

SUPPORTING SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY Places still available for the 'Help Them Shine' Dinner on 29th May at Mueller College. If you can't attend, you may like to make a donation. See Kay or Fay if you would like to do this.

CHRISTIAN LIFE WEEK registrations are now open for 5 days of fun for high school students. For so many young people, CLW is a chance for them escape the everyday, have a stack of good clean fun and discover more about what it means to be a Christian. Get in quick to secure your place – www.lyq.org.au/clw. A subsidy is also available for Grace families and others by application.

LLL FINANCE WITH A MISSION From 17th May –25th June the LLL is conducting their first ever customer survey. They value the opinion of all their customers, and therefore they are inviting depositors from the congregation to participate. To encourage responses, they are giving 20 entrants a \$50 gift. To enter, visit: www.lll.org.au/survey

CARE TEAM Know someone who needs a little extra tender loving care? The Grace Lutheran Care Team would like to help members when they have a special need. So, if you or someone you know needs some care, just let the Care Team Coordinator, Kay Jaunais, know about it. Ph. 3283 6475, mob: 0409 031 084, email: danesmom@bigpond.com.

BIBLE STUDY Please join us for bible study, “plus coffee & chat”, 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, 9am - 11am in the church hall. Everyone welcomed!

HALL USE AND HALL HIRE Please direct all Hall use requests to the Church Office to ensure availability. You may also check the calendar in the Narthex on Maine Rd, or on the table at worship at College Chapel. If Hall is booked, please allow reasonable transition time between activities. Thank you.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BULLETIN NEED TO BE IN BY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

DATE CLAIMER

Mon	29	May	6:00pm	School Chaplaincy Fundraiser at Mueller College
Tue	30	May	8:30am	Grace Primary in Action
Wed	31	May	9:30am	Ladies Fellowship
Thu	1	June	9:30am	Kindy Chapel
Fri	2	June		LCAQD Synod (Grace College Chapel)
Sat	3	June		LCAQD Synod (Grace College Chapel)
Sun	4	June	8:30am	LCAQD Synod, Divine Service (Grace College Chapel)
Wed	7	June	5:00pm	Ministry Team Meeting
Sat	10	June	8:30am	CYFM Meeting (Church Hall)
Thu	15	June	10:00am	Care Morning Tea
Tue	27	June	7:00pm	M&V Meeting
Sun	9	July		Country Drive after Worship

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