



Sunday Bulletin

OUR MISSION: To know Christ and to make Him known

3RD SEPTEMBER 2017 - 13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

Lord God, Your Son humbled Himself
in obedience to Your will
and gave up His life for us.
Transform and renew us within.
Help us not to be conformed to this world,
but to dedicate ourselves to You,
and do what pleases You.
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.

Thursday

Ian Walker



Happy Anniversary

Tuesday

John & Marilyn Cooper

Thursday

Jim & June Fenwick 9special)

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

God has taught us through His apostle Paul that we should love all people and conquer evil with good. Let us pray to our loving God that His love would be seen throughout the world.

In our prayers:

- * thanksgiving to God for a land of many blessings, and the many opportunities we have to care for people in need;
- * all in government that they enact laws in accordance with God's Word, and for God's guiding in the current discussion on 'same-sex marriage';
- * those who are affected by hardship, distress, persecution, famine, lack of clothing, danger, terrorism or warfare, both overseas (including South Sudan) and in Australia, and for God's blessing on all who seek to help (including agencies such as ALWS, BCC);
- * all who have been forced to become refugees, that they find safety and we may receive them with hospitality;

- * thanksgiving to God that He has revealed His love to us in Christ;
- * the church on earth that we are a sign of God's love to the world, as we strive to live according to God's holy and revealed Word;
- * Lutheran Churches around the world who prepare for the 500th anniversary of 'The Reformation' that we strive to be true to God's Word;
- * local Christian Congregations (including Lutheran Church Australia and New Zealand and Holy Cross Catholic Church) and local Christian ministries (including School Chaplains) and God's blessing on 'Festival of Praise' (15th October);

- * thanksgiving to God for our 'Community of Grace, and for God's blessing in various areas including: the establishment of a 'mainly music Playgroup'; students in Year 11 and 12 beginning the journey towards exams; blessing on 'Celebration of Grace' 29th October;
- * all preparing for Baptism; First Communion, Confirmation, or Marriage;
- * all recovering from surgery or illness (including Pastor John O'Keefe, Len Weis, Vikki Costin, and others we know);
- * the housebound that they may know God's gracious presence;
- * all who mourn the death of loved ones that the new life in Christ is our comfort and strength;

The fruit of the Spirit changes us
so we can impact
the lives of those around us.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE PORTOFINO FASHION PARADE. WE RAISED \$ 768.10.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH CONTACT DIRECTORY The Church contact book is currently being revised. If any of your details have changed in the past year could you please contact either Peter or Kay Jaunais. Thanks.

GRACE REFORMATION CELEBRATION Please join Grace Lutheran Church, Grace Lutheran Primary School, and Grace Lutheran Creche & Kindy as we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation on Sunday, 29th October 2017. We will begin with our usual worship service at 8:30 am in the church building, followed by activities at the Primary School hall beginning at 9:30 am. Activities will include an informal worship service, craft, the dedication of the new 'Luther 500 Garden', food, games and lots of other fun. Please come along and be a part of this wonderful opportunity for fellowship and outreach in our Grace community.

LCA GENERAL SYNOD DELEGATES 2018 The next General Synod of the Lutheran Church will be held at Rosehill Gardens in western Sydney 2nd to 7th October, 2018. Delegates are active worshipping members of their local congregation who represent the views of their local congregation, listening to various points of view with an open mind, listening to God's Word, and seeking God's guiding on many issues. If you are available at this time and desire to be considered as a delegate, please submit your name to the M & V Team by Sunday, 22nd October 2017. Various people have already put their names forward and an election will be held early November so that the names can be submitted by the required date of 15th December, 2017.

COUNTRY DRIVE Sunday 10th September, Kirkleagh day use area/Somerset Dam. Bring your own lunch, drinks and chairs. We will meet at 10:30am Grace church carpark. Enquiries: Rob and Elma Claridge (ph.: 0417 786 218)

NATIONAL LAYWORKERS CONFERENCE Danielle will be attending the 2017 National LCA Layworkers Conference this coming week from the 4th to 7th of September on the Sunshine Coast. Please remember Danielle and all the other Layworkers that are attending the conference in your prayers, as well as those that are organising the event and leading the sessions. Please also pray for safe travels for everyone involved as the conference will be hosting Layworkers from around Australia.

EARN & LEARN Grace Lutheran Primary School and Grace Lutheran Creche and Kindy are again collecting stickers from Woolworth Earn & Learn program. The more stickers they collect the more prizes can be won. Start collecting now. Please place the stickers in the "Office Assistant" pigeon hole or give them to Danielle or Val.

FRONTIER is an innovative training initiative of St Luke's Lutheran Church, Albury, NSW. Are you called to LOCAL MISSION? Are you looking for practical experience to shape that call? Join a 12 month residential journey from January 2018. Discover mission practise. Experience church planting. Empower your gifts and passion. For more information visit www.frontiertraining.org, or email admin@frontiertraining.org or phone 02 6021 3594.

COMBINED CHURCHES 'FESTIVAL OF PRAISE' will be held Sunday, 2pm, 15th October, at Redcliffe Uniting Church. This year's event will include a combined Catholic/Lutheran section. Pastor Mark will also be MC for this year. Please include in your diaries.

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.

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.

BLUE CARDS Blue Card Application forms are available in the church foyer. If your card is due to expire, allow yourself sufficient time for renewal. Please bring the filled form into the church office along with the required ID. Forms are also available on our website.

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

DATE CLAIMER

Wed	6	Sep	5:00pm	Ministry Team Meeting, Church Hall
Sun	10	Sep	8:30am	Together with Kindy
			10:30am	Country Drive
Wed	13	Sep	9:30am	Kindy Chapel, Grace Kindergarten
Wed	20	Sep	10:00am	Care Morning Tea - Meeting at Grace Kindergarten
Tue	26	Sep	7:00pm	M&V Meeting
Wed	27	Sep	9:30am	Ladies Fellowship, Church Hall
Fri	20	Oct	6:30pm	Men's Shed Night, location tba
Sun	29	Oct	8:30am	Commemoration of the Reformation, Grace Lutheran Church
			9:30am	Activities, Grace Primary School Hall

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