

St Paul Lutheran Church, Blair Athol

Living Jesus' Love

Welcome!

We are blessed to worship together at St Paul today and hope you know of God's nourishment as you receive His good gifts.

St Paul Lutheran Church, as part of the Lutheran Church of Australia, is committed to providing a safe church environment for children and young people.

Prayer of the Day

Loving God, we thank you that your Son Jesus is the good shepherd who cares for your people. Open our hearts to hear his voice, to know him as he calls us by name, and to follow wherever he leads. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

I have other sheep that are not of this sheepfold. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. – John 10:16



Prayer Points

Please contact the church office to have your prayer point included below.

- Thanksgiving to Jesus, who laid down his life, by his own accord, and took it up again to save us (John 10:18).
- That the Holy Spirit will guide all our unbelieving loved ones, friends, and neighbours to faith in Jesus Christ, for there is salvation in no one else, and no other way to be saved (Acts 4:12/John 10:16).
- That the LORD restores the souls of those who feel let down; those who are hurt; those who are sick; those who are suffering; those who are dying (Psalm 23:2).
- For all those reeling from the ruptures of violence in Sydney in the past week (Psalm 23:4)
- Thanksgiving for those who have served in just wars and comfort for all people who continue to feel the misery, destruction and trauma of war (Ezekiel 34:13)

Prayer Points Continued....

- Thanksgiving to the LORD, that he assures us that we will dwell in the house of the LORD forever (Psalm 23:6).
- For congregational families: Harmer, Harmer, Halliday, Hall (Acts 16:31)
- For the sick or unwell and their carers, including Robert Coombe, Graeme Elphick, Marlene Kahl, Ron Koelman, Roma Linke, Pam Mibus, Gina Mielke, Karina Musimbi, Nick Urbon, Dale Voigt, Robert Walden, and Cheryl Zucker (Isaiah 41:10)

ANZAC Day

We keep Mr Roy Minge of this congregation, aged 98, and WWII veteran, in our prayers as he marches, God willing, in Adelaide's ANZAC Day Parade this Thursday 25th April 2024. Thanks be to God for Roy and for peace. *John 15:13*

Ordination Way Forward

The LCA College of Bishops recently made the video at the attached link where they present a message of hope in times of change, uncertainty and anxiety. They invite you to watch it and share it with others who are seeking guidance and hope as we prepare for the General Synod and the decision on the Way Forward proposal. https://www.lca.org.au/pastoral-care/#video

Doxology Seminar

In Service Together - Confident Caring for Pastor, Parish and One Another.

Come along for an afternoon seminar with Rev Dr David Fleming and Dr Beverly Yahnke from Doxology USA. These events are designed for both lay leaders and pastors, but we encourage anyone interested to attend. The seminar will be at Bethlehem House on Sunday 5 May from 2-5pm (approx). This will be followed by a fellowship dinner at a nearby venue, if you wish to attend please indicate this on your registration. For more information, and to register, please visit www.cwfellowship.net/doxology

Playgroup @ St Paul



Playgroup is on a break for the school holidays and will be back with more fun in Term 2 on *Tuesday 30th April*, looking at Hippos in Hats.

For all things playgroup, speak to Kylie in the office.

Bible Gifting for School Reception Students

Congregation members are again invited to make a financial donation to contribute to this valuable ministry. \$25 will cover the cost of one Bible.

Donations can be made via a labelled envelope in the offering bowl, electronically via the square reader at the back of the church on Sunday or via the St Paul Lutheran Church website, with donations marked specifically for Bibles in the comments box.

Pray Through May

The internal conversation between the Father Son and Holy Spirit as Trinity that was the first prayer- let there be light, let there be creation, let there be life - begins the same as all prayers do- with the sincere desire of God to love. *Pray through May* is an invitation for you from LCA International Mission to join us as we intentionally spend time celebrating who God is and joining him in his mission in Australia, New Zealand and abroad. When registering, you will receive resources for individual and group prayer, as well as prompts to pray each day and week through May. To register or to find out more, please contact LCA International Mission on +61 8 8267 7317 or at |caim@lca.org.au.

LLL Congregational Meetings

Recently, LLL hosted two in-person meetings for Adelaide congregations regarding its transition to a Religious Charitable Development Fund (RCDF).

LLL is planning to host **online** meetings in the coming weeks and months , on the same topic, for congregation members who wish to attend.

Members can register their interest by *providing their* <u>name</u>, <u>email address</u> and <u>congregation name</u> to <u>events@lll.org.au</u> **by Monday, 22 April.**

LLL will then update you on future online meeting opportunities.

Celebrations



 God's blessing to the following people as they celebrate their birthday this week: Tiana Scholz, Liz Lane, Rachel Ratsch, Nicole Hall and Roma Linke.



Electronic Giving

BSB: 704 942 Account Number: 100083145
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Rosters and What's On

This Week: 21st April	8.30am	10 am	Readings		
Ushers	Burls/Wells	Voigt/Urbon			
Greeters	Lane, Doubtfire	Mead, Voigt	Acts 4:5-12		
Projection	W Burls	S Reid	Psalm 23		
Readings/Prayers	P Shrowder	N Carr	1 John 3:16-24		
Communion	NA	Perkins	John 10:11-18		
Coffee	P&C Freeman	Weiss Family			
Next Week: 28th April	8.30am	10 am	Readings		
Ushers	Burls/Wells	Voigt/Urbon			
Greeters	Timms, Stewart	D&T Nelson	Acts 8:26-40		
Projection	R Schwarz	A Neumann	Psalm 22:25-31		
Readings/Prayers	Vicar Sean	D Voigt	1 John 4:7-21		
Communion	Brettig	NA	John 15:1-8		
Coffee	Timms, Stewart	J Mead			

Calendar

Sunday 21st April	Thursday 25th April	Sunday 28th April
No	Anzac Day Public	No
Godly Play	Holiday	Godly Play

Contact Us

Here at St Paul we welcome feedback, especially from children, young people and members of the Lutheran Church.

If you would like to share feedback or contact us for more information on our safe church activities, please visit the contact page on our website http://www.stpaul-church.org.au/contact.html

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