

J E S U S

29 March - 1 April 2018

Easter



Welcome to St Petri this Easter!

That name says it all at Easter: "Jesus". It means "God saves". We believe he does and so we sing, we pray, we listen, we share, we love and we are glad everyone is here!

Jesus' death on the cross was a powerful disarmament of our wayward and wondering heart, that cannot help but love the wrong things in the wrong way; making God's good gifts to us gods themselves; placing things and ourselves above the love and joy of God. This is called "sin".

The problem with sin is that it eventually will cut you off completely from the love and peace of a God who names himself your kind and loving Father. This is called, "death".

Jesus' resurrection was the opportunity to know first-hand a life-changing experience, a power

that enables broken people on a road to death to live free and live for God today.

This is the life God always intended for his people to experience and know. This is a dynamite kind of life! It is available because of what Jesus did in power, not by what we do with effort.

No amount of our good can outweigh our bad in God's economy.

No amount of money can buy off our sin debt with an eternal payout.

No amount of service can earn back a salvation that is unattainable without perfection.

This kind of life is one that must be received as a gift that includes the powerful love of the one who came to give His life as a ransom for you and me.

So we will tell the story as best as we can and we pray that you can receive the freedom and joy on offer that revolutionises relationships, transforms work and shifts us into an altogether different goal of living this life.

He is Risen!

Pastor Adrian



StPetri
lutheran church

This week at St Petri

Thursday 29th March - Maundy Thursday

7.30 pm Worship with Holy Communion

Friday 30th March - Good Friday

8.00 am Band Rehearsal (Good Friday Band)

9.30 am Worship - Stations of the Cross

Saturday 31st March

3.00 pm Organ Practice

4.00 pm Brass Practice

6.00 pm Easter Sunday Band 10.30 am Practice

Sunday 1st April - Easter Sunday*

6.00 am Dawn Service

Outdoors - candles & fire. Music by Pastor A and Adam
Hot Cross Buns and cuppa by the bell tower

8.30 am Worship with Holy Communion

10.30 am Worship with Holy Communion

Hot Cross buns with morning coffee after all services

Amara Phillips (daughter of David & Megan Phillips) will be
Baptised into Christ at the 10.30 am service on Easter Sunday.

***Clocks back one hour for Easter Sunday, daylight saving ends**

Monday 2nd April - Easter Monday Public Holiday

Wednesday 4th April

10.00 am Mid-week Holy Communion

St Petri Hall - please ring the office on Tuesday if you need transport

Thursday 5th April - Shalom Singers

7.30 pm Practice in the St Petri Hall. Music Leader: Tracy Schache

If you love to sing, please consider being a part of this.

Men are most welcome too!

Friday 6th April

9.30 am HoOt Playgroup, St Petri Hall Theme: fruit

1.00 pm Cards & Games in the Meeting Room, St Petri - All Welcome!

6.30 pm Shed Happens

Sunday 8th April - Harvest Thanksgiving

8.30 am Worship with Holy Communion

10.30 am Worship with Holy Communion

Installation of Rannane Zanker as Hand in Hand Co-ordinator at both
services

You are welcome to attend a BBQ lunch (sausage sizzle) at the Hand
in Hand Family Centre to have opportunity to meet Rannane and her
family. This will follow after the 10.30 am worship.

EASTER FLOWERS AND SYMBOLS OF NEW LIFE AND RESURRECTION

Once again this year we will have opportunity to place symbols of new life on the cross at the front of the church on Easter Morning. Your symbol will need to have a stem or wire so that it can be threaded through the chicken wire on the cross. These can be placed on the cross as soon as you arrive on Easter Sunday. Alternatively, the outdoor cross will also have chicken wire on it so that you can pop your flower here at the dawn service or later on.

JESUS WALK - as you walk this walk, leave your everyday life behind.

On Good Friday (or any time during the Easter period) you may want to consider a quiet time of meditation and reflection on how God loves you at the Jesus Walk at the Faith Lutheran College grounds in Tanunda. It is situated at the Eastern side of the tennis courts on Magnolia Road, Tanunda.

The journey is marked by arrows situated on posts. The journey time will depend on your reflection and meditation time but to visit each station it will take a minimum of 30 minutes. A reflection guide is available on the back table of the church for you to take.

AN EASTER EXPERIENCE - Good Friday (Friday 30th March) 2.00 pm

KaDenCe invites you to a unique presentation of John Stainer's "Crucifixion"

Together with a collection of much loved devotional Good Friday songs

at the Kapunda Uniting Church. All Welcome. Free Admission : Doors Open 1.30 pm

Harvest Thanksgiving

THANKSGIVING AT ST PETRI — SUNDAY 8TH APRIL

This year we are again asking that you bring along things which symbolize the work that you do, the gifts that God has given. You could bring along what you use for sport or a hobby or a symbol of how you have been blessed by God. You could bring tools of trade, flowers, toys - use your imagination.

We certainly also require donations of food for the display. The most practical is tinned, and packaged food which can be then given to Lutheran Community Care. If you have any vegetables or fruit (or flowers) growing in your garden we would love to have them too.

Please bring these items to the church between 9&12 noon on Saturday morning or on Friday (come and get the church key from the office). Sunday morning is even not too late to pop tinned food in the trolley in the foyer.

If you would like to help set up the display, please come at 1.00 pm on Saturday.

All symbolic items on loan can be collected after the late service on Sunday or anytime during the day on Monday. Names on these items would be helpful.

Thank you - Kaylene & Rosie

Diary Dates:

- **Friday 6th April** - Shed Happens at Barossa Enterprises 6.30 pm
- **Friday 20th April** - Messy Church St Petri Theme: God Knows Us
- **Sunday 22nd April - Reflections of Easter**
Concert featuring the Valley Voices Choir conducted by Elizabeth Sibley, and accompanied by Adelaide organist Andrew Georg on the Hill and Son Grand Organ. 2 pm - 4pm. At the Barossa Gallery, Tanunda.
Tickets \$10 available from The Cottage, The Good Seed and Choir Members
- **Thursday 3rd May** Lutheran Women SA/NT Convention at Victor Harbor.
- **4-6 May SA-NT District Convention of Synod** will be held at Tatachilla Lutheran College, Tatachilla Rd, McLaren Vale
- **Monday 28th May & Monday 4th June Please mark in your diary!**
Professional Standards Workshop - Training for all St Petri members in **leadership positions, people working with Children and Youth** and in fact all members encouraged to attend. Please plan to attend if you completed your training at Langmeil in 2014 or St Petri in 2015 (more details to come).
- **Sunday 3rd June - Hymn Fest | Bible Society**
At the Barossa Regional Gallery, Tanunda 2pm. Free will offering for the work of the Bible Society.

Youth – NOVO

Perseverance, Character, Hope
20-23 April 2018 Cornerstone College | Mt Barker
A statewide camp for years 7-12
Cost \$170 (closes April 1) Late cost \$200
For more details and to register head to: www.blueprintministries.org.au



Our 'Messy Church Team Celebration' held on Sunday 25th March, was a special time shared with 40 team members in St Petri Hall. The main aim of the gathering was to give thanks for our Messy Church team and the many incredible things that God is doing in this ministry. We shared lunch together and each person took the opportunity to share something that they loved about Messy Church, or Messy Church stories. One word that kept coming up was 'enthusiasm'. The team said that they love seeing the enthusiasm by children, parents and all age groups, as they come along to Messy Church. I think that our team reflects so much enthusiasm, and I believe that the love of God comes through them so powerfully. A big thankyou to our MESSY CHURCH TEAM!

Next Messy Church: Friday April 20th, 4 – 6pm at St Petri Hall.
Theme: God Knows Us (based on Zacchaeus the Tax Man)

Notice Board

Movie Night - Sunday 8th April "WONDER"

Based on the New York Times bestseller, WONDER tells the incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters 5th grade, attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time. You can't blend in when you were born to stand out!
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Holy Trinity Hall 7PM

Convention of Synod is a coming together of congregational lay delegates, church leaders, officials and clergy, primarily to conduct the business of the Lutheran Church of Australia, South Australia – Northern Territory District. Essentially, it is the District's Annual General Meeting!

Convention also serves spiritual and fellowship purposes. The schedule includes worship, celebrations and the opportunity to catch up with old friends or make some new ones!

The 48th SA–NT District Convention of Synod will be held at Tatachilla Lutheran College, McLaren Vale, from Friday 4 May to Sunday 6 May 2018

Please contact the office this week if you would like to be considered to attend this on behalf of St Petri as a delegate.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service - Sunday 1st April

Menglers Hill lookout at 6.30 am

Led by Father Mark Sexton of the Barossa Ecumenical Ministers Association

Tea and coffee available

Adelaide Men's Convention - Saturday 12th May

Titus: Men worth following | Guest Speaker David Cook

Concordia College, Highgate \$40 earlybird registration by 17 April or \$50 standard fee

Check out details on facebook or ww.adelaidemensconvention.org

Grace Conference - Saturday 26th May

Staying Strong in the Lord

Concordia College, Highgate \$40 earlybird registration by 6 May or \$50 standard fee

Check out details www/graceconference.org.au

Postal registration forms available from the Church office

Tanunda Lutheran Home

Seeking a Senior Hairdresser for a permanent full-time appointment and a hairdresser/beautician for permanent full time employment for immediate start, with the Tanunda Lutheran Home Christian based aged care facility.

Further details on church notice board.

Please email your interest as soon as possible to kim.hahn@tlhome.com.au

Or phone Kim Hahn, People, Culture & Customer Service Manager 08 8563 7777



Friday 6th April Shed Happens

Men's
night
out

Happening at Barossa Enterprises
27 Samuel Road, Nuriootpa
Garry Velt, CEO OF Barossa Enterprises
Interviewing: Melvyn Klose

6.30 pm - 9.30 pm BBQ Cost \$10 — BYO drinks & chairs
Bring your mates for a great night out!

More info: Wayne Rohrlach 8562 1911
Greg Schubert 8562 2163 or Viv Fiebiger 8562 3636
Ministry of St Petri Lutheran Church, Nuriootpa

If you require transport, contact Ian Rosenzweig on 08 8165 5300



Next Messy Church - Friday 20th April

Theme: God knows Us

Help required: People to make cupcakes
(just leave your name at the office, and
how many you can make)
Much appreciated!

PNG Appeal:

Through your generous support of the retiring offering last Sunday, A total of \$1393.29 was raised. Half of this was sent to Mission Aviation Fellowship and the other half to Australian Lutheran World Service.

The Cottage
Christian Books & Gift Shop
47 Murray Street Nuriootpa
PH: 08 8562 4631



All baby gifts on Sale 3 days only
Thursday 5th, Friday 6th & Sat 7th April Includes Baptism Gifts,



Plus much more!

We Pray

- **We pray concerning attacks on the free exercise of faith**, speech and association in Australia and for wisdom for the current federal inquiry into religious freedom.
- May God be with those who are at **risk of homelessness**.
- **We pray especially for police** over Easter as they deal with deaths and traumas on the road, along with increased domestic incidents. Lord, give each officer your grace. We ask for safety on our roads this Easter long weekend.
- **We pray for vulnerable children** and parents, and children who can't live with their parents.
- **We pray for all who are grieving the loss of loved ones** as we celebrate the victory over death that Christ has won for us!
- **We pray for God's healing and peace** for those of our church family who are ill, facing medical treatment or recovering from surgery - and those who care for them: Barb Alexander, Eric Hailstone, Pam Lambert, David Whitehead, Rosemary Angel and Joan Leahy.

Please feel free to contact the office or fill in a pew sheet if you have a specific prayer need and you would like our church to pray for you. admin@stpetri.org.au 8562 1011

Ladies Guild: Wednesday 11th April - All welcome 1.30 pm

Ladies, please think of any questions you would like to ask Pastor. These could be about faith, the bible or anything relevant to our time. ? Box in the office to give pastor time to prepare answers. (Offering on day for Lutheran Community Care)

Coffee & Friendship Group: Will resume after school holidays on Tuesday 1st May at 9.30 am where we will continue our study of Ephesians. Anyone welcome!

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Pastor Adrian's Easter Message

Our God is in the business of renewing people and renewing congregations and “business” is pretty good at St Petri!

We are by no means perfect and we certainly have much to learn and much to do together, but the sense we get is that God is at work by his Spirit and he is calling us to follow him as he called those three women at the pre-dawn tomb to “Go to Galilee” where we will surely see him again.

Those trembling, scared but also amazed and bewildered three women put their own fears away and simply followed Jesus' lead. They followed and they spoke the word he gave them to speak: “Tell his friends to go there and they will see him again...” (Mark 16:7). This remains our task – to follow and speak. The promise is that we will see.

When it comes to being a local church engaged in this mission to speak this gospel we need to be like those women. We need to trust his words and act upon them, leaving the results and the effects to him. Those women were not there for themselves in the end. They may have started off simply trying to do what was right that morning and we might approach things that way too – “trying to do what is right”. Jesus transformed that small vision into going and speaking and seeing. I believe this is his agenda for St Petri too – that we go, we speak, and we see him at work.

We are going, we are speaking, and we are seeing him at work. For this we praise Jesus. We are in constant contact with dozens of people who would not call themselves members of St Petri or in some cases “Christian”. We run programs and we are planting and nurturing several new communities of all kinds of people that are very different in shape to our Sunday worship. We need to do this. We are called to be here for them more than for ourselves, and this call has real consequences for us all.

We are compelled to live and tell the good news of the grace of God given this Easter. It is our soul and our centre and it is always to be shared. Our task is to go, and speak and see with respect and gentleness, hoping that we may win some to this wonderful life of grace we share in Jesus.

This Easter Lord says “Go, Speak and See and I will be with you.”

Easter Peace - Pastor Adrian

Photo: Eden Valley Lookout, John Kleinig