

It is good to be together in homes, or the church building, or wherever you happen to be this weekend, to hear God speak and respond in prayer and thanks. Thanks for joining in!

Is the Lord with us, or not? A question asked by many over many eras, including this COVID one! God's people asked this question at times. They do here as we join them at the base of Mount Sinai, in the high mountaintop moment of God giving Moses those ten commandments, what it will be to live in communion with God as they take hold of the promises he has made to them.

It is a low moment down there in the Valley. This is Israel's fall from grace. At the very moment of divine communication, they

leave the relationship in search for what they know – the gods of Egypt. They forsake their Lord and their commitment to living in his peace on his terms.

But there is something that happens that breaks this fall. It is a person. It is Moses. Everyone needs a Moses.

Moses stands between the right and holy justice of a holy God and a wayward people taking matters into their own hands, and pleads their case. He reminds God of his good work, his great reputation and his promises never broken. And amazingly we hear, God relents from the plan to wipe these 'stiff-necked' people out and start again.



Everyone needs a 'Moses'

Everyone needs a Moses. We have a new Moses+. His name is Jesus, the new and better Moses. He enters our out of control party, as one of us, and breaks the fall without ever falling himself.

He offers his perfection for our dereliction! He's our Moses+. That makes us a "Moses+" for all those around us. Everyone needs a Moses, and we are that Moses for others.

Pastor Adrian

Worship @ Home Order (website or dvd)

stpetri.org.au (Service order is online and in bulletin available on website)

HOME OR GROUP WORSHIP

Sunday 11th October 2020 19 Pentecost

Pastor Adrian Kitson

WELCOME

GOD WELCOMES US

Rejoice in the Lord always;

again I will say, Rejoice.

Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

The Lord is near. (*Philippians 4:4,5*)

As the body of Christ in the world we gather with confidence in God's name, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen**

CALL TO WORSHIP THE LORD (*Psalm 103*)

Response: The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

WE PRAY A PRAYER FOR THIS DAY:

M: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

GOD SPEAKS: WE LISTEN:

Exodus 32:1-14 *God's people worship with the golden calf*

R: The Word of the Lord

C. Thanks be to God

WE LISTEN TO THE ADDRESS

WE CONFESS OUR SIN: GOD FORGIVES

Father in heaven, I am a sinner and have sinned against you in what I have done, said, thought or left undone. Forgive me. Restore me and renew me in grace and love by the power of the Spirit. Amen.

WE SHARE JESUS' PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

WE SING A HYMN (ORGAN & FLUTE) *Filled with the Spirits Power*

**Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord
the infant church confessed its risen Lord:
O Holy Spirit, in the church today
no less your power of fellowship display.**

**Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
that unity may be our great desire:
give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call,
and readiness in each to work for all.**

**Widen our love good Spirit, to embrace
in your strong care all those of every race:
like wind and fire with life among us move
till we are known as Christ's and Christians prove.**

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WE PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD & EACH OTHER

WE PRAY JESUS' PRAYER:

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

WE SING A SONG (BAND) *Jesus, please watch over us*

**As we step from the edge of morning,
feet can't tell where to take us;
here's a light that will shine for ever,
here's the light that will guide us:
Jesus, please watch over us;
Jesus, please take care of us.**

**Trouble comes, and we search for safety,
we forget that you hold us;
fill our minds so that we remember,
say once more that you love us:
Jesus, please watch over us;
Jesus, please take care of us.**

**Danger meets us at every moment,
death is never in hiding;
you are stronger than any danger,
you are stronger than dying:
Jesus, please watch over us;
Jesus, please take care of us.**

**In your life is the Father's welcome,
in your death there is freedom;
be our life and our death for ever,
be our new resurrection:
Jesus, please watch over us;
Jesus, please take care of us.**

**Jesus, please watch over us;
Jesus, please take care of us.**

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GOD BLESSES US: WE GO WITH GOD

**Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise the LORD.**

**Praise him for his acts of power;
praise him for his surpassing greatness.
Praise the LORD.**

**Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.
Praise the LORD.**



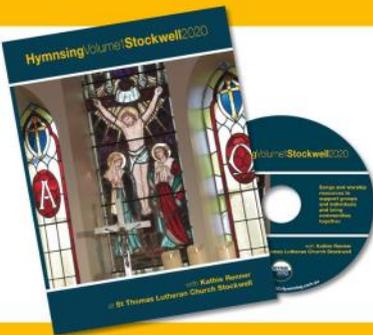
NEW WORSHIP OPTIONS

- SUNDAY MORNINGS** 9.30 AM Worship (service of the word)
- WEDNESDAY MORNING** 10.00 AM Holy Communion Service
First & Third Wednesday in the Church
- WEDNESDAY EVENINGS** 7.00 PM Worship Service - Will be filmed.
**Holy Communion immediately after filming
Second & Fourth Wednesdays in the Church**
Welcome to attend as congregation.
- WORSHIP AT HOME** Recorded worship service available across the weekend. Holy Communion for small groups available upon request.

At the Wednesday evening worship, starting 14th October, we will be offering Holy Communion at the end of the filming service. This will be every Second & Fourth Wednesday of the month.

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT RETURNING TO WORSHIP, PLEASE DO NOT FEEL OBLIGED, ONLY DO WHAT IS OK FOR YOU, BUT WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU!

Sing Your Favourite Hymns



A new resource for people who love the original words and tunes from the Australian Lutheran Hymnal and supporting those with memory and isolation challenges.

Available in multiple formats for use by individuals, families and communities

hymnsing.com.au



LISTENING

and responding to God's Voice

16-18 OCTOBER 2020

AN ADVENTUROUS DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE
HOSTED BY BETHANY TABOR LUTHERAN PARISH
77 MURRAY STREET, TANUNDA
SA 5352

PRESENTED BY MICHAEL DUTSCHKE
PASTOR AND DISCIPLER

TICKETS - \$40

(INCLUDES LUNCH AND MORNING TEA)
ONLY 50 TICKETS AVAILABLE
UNFORTUNATELY NO CHILD-MINDING IS
AVAILABLE AT THE CONFERENCE

FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER

OPEN NIGHT
7.00PM DOORS OPEN
7.30PM START
FREE PUBLIC EVENT

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

WORKSHOP
8.30AM REGISTRATION
9.00AM START
4.30PM CLOSE
ADMISSION BY TICKET ONLY

SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER

WORSHIP SERVICE
8.30AM BETHANY
9.45AM TABOR
11.00AM BETHANY
FREE PUBLIC EVENT

Details and Bookings

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Side by side, every step of the way

Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS) was formed 70 years ago so that our Lutheran family could walk alongside people in need.

At the end of World War II, an exodus began from Europe in which more than 300,000 people came to Bonegilla Migrant Centre in Victoria. Many were

Lutherans, so the pastor in Albury, Rev Bruno Muetzelfeldt, began visiting Bonegilla.

In 1950 the Lutheran church's aid agency was born – Lutheran World Service-Australia (LWS-A). By 1955 the Lutheran team had helped resettle 2350 refugees.

When the LCA was established in 1966, it was agreed that LWS-A would be its channel for overseas aid.

In 1971 the LWS-A office moved to Albury and support increasingly shifted to aid and development around the world, with a focus on refugees. This continues today, with ALWS supporting work in refugee camps where nearly 1.5 million people live.

LWS-A would later become an Australian organisation and in 1991 ALWS became the aid and resettlement agency of the LCA.

In 1995 ALWS began creating resources for teachers – used by more than 70 per cent of Lutheran schools across Australia today.

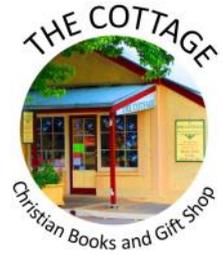
In the past 20 years significant steps have included support for Indonesia after the Boxing Day tsunami, in partnership with Lutheran Education Australia, LCA International Mission and the LLL; the first Gifts of Grace catalogue; the first Walk My Way, and the GRACE Project.

Today our church through ALWS works in 11 countries. Last year the ALWS family helped 297,498 people with the same spirit of service as Pastor Bruno 70 years ago. Walking alongside people. Side by side, every step of the way.

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“Life is in the chatter”

In the Cottage we recently reminded ourselves of how important our conversations with our customers are:

our **conversations that help us provide exceptional customer service** and

our **mini-faith conversations that encourage people** with God’s grace at that time, in that moment, on that day.

To further our mini-faith conversations, we unanimously agreed to invite Pastor Adrian over to help us in this area, and to do this as soon as possible. Pastor Adrian enthusiastically accepted our invitation - no surprises there!

Within a week, six Cottage team members sat around the table and had a delightful chat with Pastor Adrian who encouraged us to:

- **listen, really listen** to the person we are in conversation with
- **avoid being judgemental**, and
- **be prepared to share a story** in our own words from the heart, if appropriate.

Pastor Adrian encouraged us to build a small collection of stories that might speak into some of life’s tricky situations and circumstances that many of us encounter. These grace-filled stories may be stories Jesus told, or stories from our own life experience.

All up, this time with Pastor Adrian was an excellent thing to do and so timely for us. We’re looking forward to the next chat!

And some recently acquired stock ... a selection of **contemporary designed earrings with Christian motifs and symbols AND a small hand-sized baptismal cross, laser-cut from hardwood.**

Do pop in for a look, and have a great week.

Chris, Bookshop Manager

Trading Hours

Monday - Friday

9.30 am - 4.30 pm

Saturday

9.30 am - 12 noon

LLL Interest change notice

Our congregation has received an “LLL Interest Rate Change” notice advising that effective 1 October 2020, the interest rate on at-call Savings Accounts is 0.8% This notice has been placed on the church notice board for your information.

The COVID-19 global pandemic has disrupted everyday life in some way for nearly everyone on the planet. Yet, Samaritan's Purse continues to share the eternal hope of the gospel and to serve in Jesus' name.



SAMARITAN'S PURSE Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, is a practical way for Australians to bless children in need around the world by filling shoebox gifts with toys, hygiene items, school supplies and other fun gifts. Through a volunteer network across the country, the project plans to collect shoebox gifts during National Collection Month, October 2020.

Looking forward to the coming season, the ministry is monitoring local, state, and national guidelines and making adjustments to help protect the health of everyone involved in collecting and processing shoebox gifts.

In 2019, over 273,000 shoeboxes were packed in Australia and New Zealand, and over 10 million packed worldwide. The shoebox gifts were delivered to over 100 countries across the world, including our 2019 focus countries of the Philippines, Fiji, Papua New Guinea and Cambodia.

To start packing, individuals and families can use a shoebox from home or pick up pre-printed Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes at St Petri Lutheran Church, Nuriootpa or the Christian Community Hub, Tanunda. For any inquiries, please call 1300 884 468 or contact the OCC local representative Karina Schaefer 0417 816 272. This year, Operation Christmas Child is also launching an exciting opportunity to pack a shoebox online. Visit operationchristmaschild.org.au to find out more about this convenient and personal way to give shoebox gifts directly from home.

Pack a shoebox today and be a part of this life-changing project.



It's Subscription Time 😊

Again, this year, we are pleased to offer you a special "deal" for your subscriptions:

- Fellowship Membership and Magazine package \$25
- Membership Only \$15
- Individual Magazine \$13 (delivered to your home)

Lutheran Women Magazine full of great devotions, Bible studies and interesting articles. Keep up to date with what women are doing in their communities all around Australia.

Women's Fellowship Membership:

We are affiliated with LWSA-NT and Lutheran Women of Australia (LWA) – this is included in your membership.

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month for Bible study and/or guest speakers, fun and fellowship and great afternoon teas.

Payable to Marlene Schubert or, if you find it easier, place it in an envelope with your name on it and pop it into Rosie in the church office by 25th December 2020.

If you prefer to pay by direct debit please call Marlene for the details 0412 739 002.

Thank You in advance 😊

RECHARGE



YOUTH SERVICE | OCTOBER 18

Come along for a night of energetic praise with our Youth Band
& Guest Speaker Rachael Simons.

Recharge is for Youth, Families & all Young at Heart.

6:00pm - Mornay & Salad

6:30pm - Youth Service

7:30pm - Hot Chocolates &
Marshmallows
small cost for food

Location-

Strait Gate Lutheran Church,
412 Light Pass Road,
Light Pass.



Recharge is held on the 3rd Sunday of Every Month

Want more info? Contact Kayla: 0421 978 925 or find us on Facebook

Help Required

Our littles have loved that they can come back and play at the HoOt playgroup. The mums think it is pretty good to be able to catch up again too. The only thing that is a little hard for the organizers, Ingrid and Heidi, is all the cleaning of the toys afterwards. If you would happen to have a bit of spare time late on a Friday morning, once a fortnight, the girls would love to have your help!

As there would still be children around, you would need a Working with Children Check which you obtain online if you don't already have one. Rosie would be happy to help you obtain one of these when she is back in November.

Widows luncheon at the Vine Inn - next one Tuesday 13th October

Meet in the foyer for a 12 noon start. Please ring Dianne Linke on 0427 204 010 if you would like more information or would like to attend.

Christmas Hampers for Lutheran Community Care Thanks for your contributions!

If you are able to donate, just pop them in to the trolley in the church foyer or bring into the office. Over 400 hampers were packed by LCC last year, let's see how many items we can donate:

ITEMS NEEDED FROM ST PETRI

- Vegemite (medium sized)
- Christmas Lollies

TOTAL 8

What's on at St Petri

Sunday 11th October

9.30 am Worship in St Petri Church, Service of the Word

Tuesday 13th October

9.30 am **Coffee & Friendship Group (Jenny Wood's Group)**
Venue: East Room (Meeting Room complex, closest to road)
Finish study of 10 commandments and then study Hebrews.

12 noon **Widows luncheon at the Vine Inn**
Meet in the foyer

Wednesday 14th October

1.30 pm **St Petri Women's Fellowship in the Hall**
Bible Study: Val Petering (*Please bring your*
August/September Lutheran Women
magazine and Bible)



Bring along an old gadget from your kitchen
NO Trading Table

7.00 pm Filming of St Petri Worship Small resource
Includes Holy Communion immediately after the filming
Worship open to all to attend.

Sunday 18th October

9.30 am Worship in St Petri Church, Service of the Word

No longer a need to register! - but we do still need to take attendance records.
We feel that we have a fairly comprehensive list of who is likely to be coming on Sunday (and the Wednesday night and Holy Communion 10 am) and will just tick names already on the list and add those names and phone numbers that we don't have down.

The only down side to this is that if we do have more than 183 turn up for worship, we will need to ask people to come to one of the alternative worship times instead. It is our building's limit for social distancing requirements.

Diary Dates:

All of October Shoebox drop off month. St Petri office is a drop off point for your shoe boxes and fillers for Samaritan's Purse.
You can pick up printed boxes and info pamphlets from the office.

16-18 October Listening and responding to God's Voice weekend
Hosted by Bethany Tabor Parish, Tanunda (see advert)

Sunday 22nd November

St Petri Annual General Meeting - St Petri Church

We Pray

- **Heavenly Father, help us to look away from our golden calves** in pleasure and self-preservation and instead, trust you to make good on your many promises to sustain us so that we can willingly step into the breach for those around us and be their Moses; their mediator. Help us to pray for people, serve people, love people and speak your words to people as appropriate, so they know that your kingdom is near and your promises true for them.
- **Thank you Father for Springtime and the welcome rain.** Bless our land. Watch over our people working the land.
- **Bless our elected Governance Council leaders** and all of us as we head to another AGM in late November. We place before you the need for clarity on what we do with our church building to make it more able to be used for more purposes in our mission. We pray for new people to sense the call to take a role on Governance Council. We pray for wisdom for our staff and all of our lay leaders as they re-establish relationships through the various efforts we have established before COVID. Help us to see what is next, more than what was normal.
- **Gracious Father: praise be to your blessed name for your mercy and kindness to us.** You have come to us, full of grace and truth. Before the foundation of the world you chose as your own, to be holy and blameless in your sight. You predestined us to be adopted as your children through Jesus Christ. This was your pleasure and will, and we in turn thank and praise you.
- **Father, thank you for choosing us to receive the peace that only you can give.** Guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, and hear the prayers we offer in his name.
- **We pray for God's healing and peace for all those of our church family who are ill, facing medical treatment or recovering from surgery** - and those who care for them: Howard Schulz (Mt Pleasant Hospital), Glen Schultz, Les Harnath, Roma Bray, Pat Scholz, Joan Pollard, Margaret Wolfenden, Hedy Stanley, Ruth Rathjen, Margaret Kleinig, Barb Doecke, Rosemary Angel, Mark Steinert and Helen Thiele.
- **We pray for others of our St Petri family and friends by name:** Gottfried & Marie Kunze; Brian & Helen Kalleske; Liz Ranger; Ray & Rae Reichelt; Migle Osborne; Kate Obst and Richard Nuske.

Please email any prayer points or messages of what God is up to in your life. Send them to admin@stpetri.org.au. Or drop a note in the letterbox at the office.

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In Touch

CHRISTMAS 2020: With time moving by so quickly, it seems, we are beginning to plan some Christmas celebrations for St Petri. As you may know, we are not having our annual 'Christmas on the Green' this year. It has been a very different year and we need to do things differently. With this, I believe God has guided us onto a new pathway, and this pathway is to the Co-op Mall! The Child Youth and Family Ministry team (Leanne Kitson, Marlene Schubert and I) have talked through the idea of taking Christmas to the Co-op Mall. (as per article in this week's bulletin) We are excited to have received the green light to do so. This gathering will involve a St Petri band playing and singing Christmas carols over a two hour period, with Christmas gift bags being handed out to children, and a group of children and adults to be dressed in nativity costumes and potentially a set-up of our manger scene, to set the scene! One of the most important aspects is to have our St Petri folks be a 'presence' at the mall during this time - to chat to people, wander around and enjoy the atmosphere. After a tough year, it will be wonderful to spread some Christmas JOY, and what a privilege for our St Petri Church family to do so. We are calling for volunteers to put the Christmas bags together. Would you consider helping? We have a magnetic Christmas Nativity gift, some tracts with Christmas stories, some colouring in/puzzle Christmas sheets etc. We are still forming ideas on this! Please let me know if you can help. Would you also consider dressing up in a Nativity costume? We have plenty of costume sizes here for children, teens and adults. The more the merrier! This might be stepping out of our comfort zones a little, but how good will this be to share this Christmas blessing, given that we have no parades this year in the Barossa and so many cancelled events due to COVID safety. Thanks for your consideration on this and hoping to hear from you ...

MESSY CHURCH: Thank you to our St Petri people that have been involved in 'Messy Church at Home' on-line messages this year. We have had four so far, including 'Good News Everyday' message reflecting what Easter means throughout the whole year; 'Maps and a Bible' focussing on how God's word points us to Jesus; 'Rescued' with the story of David and Goliath sharing that God is bigger than all our fears and, lastly, 'A Super Wonderful Story' focussing on John 3:16-17, the gospel ... and how God came to save everyone. We are planning to touch base 'face to face' with our Messy Church people, by inviting our MC community on Friday November 20 to join us in the train park here in Nuri, for an informal catch up. It would be so nice to see many of our families again. On October 18, a small group of Messy Church people are meeting to talk about Messy Church 2021. We look forward to sharing more with you soon. We will also be readvertising our 'Messy Church Facilitator' position in the coming weeks. This position is funded through the LLL Mission Stimulus Grant that we received well over a year ago. We advertised early this year, had interviews all ready and then COVID came to the valley. We cancelled everything at that point, but the time has come to get this ball rolling again. It's all very exciting.

God bless you all,
Sharon Green
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