

Barossa North Lutheran Parish

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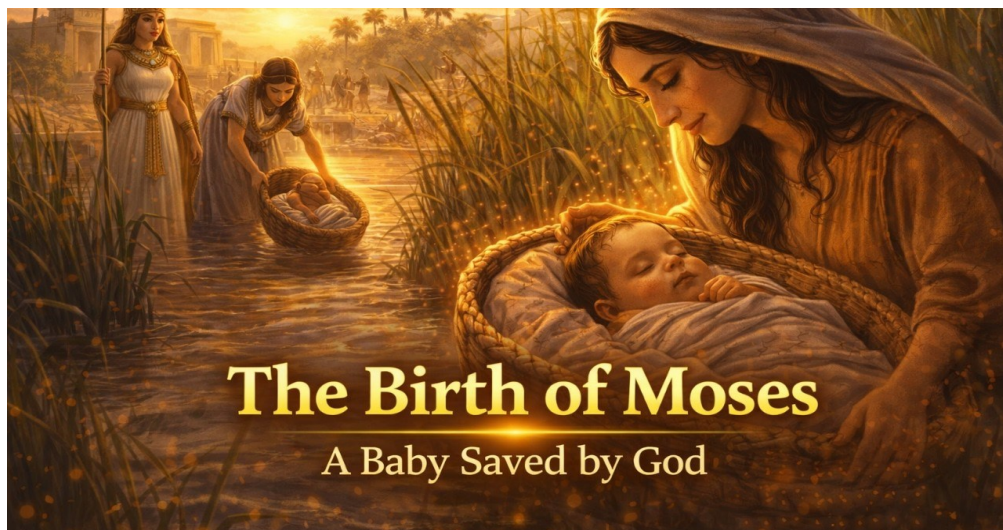
SUNDAY BULLETIN

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

23rd August 2026

**Strait Gate, Light Pass; Holy Trinity, Nuriootpa; Pilgrim, Neukirch;
St John's, Ebenezer; St John's, Dutton; Immanuel, Truro;
St Thomas, Stockwell; Immanuel, Light Pass.**

Christ's Church of Living Stones.



The Birth of Moses

A Baby Saved by God

A parish of the Lutheran Church of Australia



Welcome to all those who are worshipping this week either at home or face to face. The following documents will be emailed or delivered to help you with your worship time;

* A service order including bible readings and a sermon

* The weekly Bulletin



This Week's Bible Readings

Exodus 1:8 - 2:10

Psalm 124

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20

Next Week's Bible Readings

Exodus 3:1-15

Psalm 105:1-6,23-26,45c

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

In Your Prayers Remember

Those who have been hospitalised or are recuperating at home;

Mark Linke, Melva Graetz, Lorraine Boyce (Tanunda) & Trevor Boyce (Gawler)

Our aged members at home and in places of care:

Colin Gerhardy, Val Graetz, Eleanor Kassebaum, Royce Kleinig, Eileen Laubsch, Phyllis Linke, Una Paech, Dorothy Rohrlach, Val Ruch, Helga Sabel, Rhoda Schiller, Audrey Schmidt, Mavis Schrapel

Lorna Holmes (Lutheran Homes Hope Valley), Barry Steinborner (Gumeracha Aged Care)



Additional Prayer Points

- For the leaders of our church & especially for the Bishop of the LCA, Paul Smith and our District Bishop, Andrew Brooks
- For mercy on all who are driven by greed and a love of money
- For the congregations within our Parish
- For the staff that care for older Australians
- For your gifts of baptism, forgiveness & eternal life
- For those who suffer from misfortune - refugees, the poor & those who are physically or mentally disabled
- For those who have recently lost a loved one or are sick or injured

SAFE CHURCH - Safe People, Safe Programs, Safe Places

Remember to sanitise your hands or wash them with soap to prevent the spread of sicknesses and before preparing or eating food.

Find out more: www.childsafe.org.au

For any Child Safe or Safe Place concerns, please contact the Parish Office on 0491 764 651 or Dave Biar on 8267 5211.

Parish

Parish Office Hours: The office will be occupied on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am until 3:00pm. The Parish has a mobile number that is to be used to contact the Parish Office and the number can be found on the front page of the bulletin.

Pastor Damien: Pastor Damien will be out of the office on a Retreat from Thursday the 27th of August until Wednesday the 2nd of September. This is a silent retreat which means he will be uncontactable for the week. Pastor Damien will be back in the office on Thursday the 3rd of September.

Immanuel Light Pass Congregation: A **Busy Bee** for the Light Pass Immanuel congregation is planned for Saturday the 29th of August (plus an additional one on Saturday September 5th if necessary) beginning at 8:30am to fill in potholes and do a general tidy before our Anniversary Service. Please bring along rakes, spades, shovels and your enthusiasm and energy.

Barossa North Parish Service: On Sunday the 30th of August our next Parish Service will be held at 10:00am at Strait Gate Lutheran Church, Light Pass with Pastor David Freckelton officiating. Morning tea will follow the service and can all those attending, please bring along a plate of sweet or savoury food to share. All are very welcome!

Parish Service Offering: The offering from the Parish Service on the 30th of August will be donated to Faith Lutheran College for the following situation;

Supporting a Single Mother and Her Child at Faith Lutheran College

We are reaching out to our church family seeking to support a single mother (with a chronic medical condition) whose child is currently attending middle and senior school. Any financial donation, large or small, will help ease the burden of school fees and transport and ensure her child can continue their education. We are hoping to support this family until the daughter graduates from Year 12 in 2 years' time. If you feel able to financially contribute, your generosity would be a wonderful blessing to this family. Thank you for your kindness, prayers, and support.
Steve Wilksch

Craig Kirkby Follow-Up: For those who attended Craig's workshop, a follow up to Faith Conversations is being held TODAY (23rd of August) at Immanuel Light Pass starting at 3:00pm. This will be lead by Pastor Damien.

Parish Newsletter: If anyone has any items that they would like to be included in the next Parish newsletter, can they please be emailed or dropped off to the Parish Office by Thursday the 3rd of September. Thank you.

From the Parish Exec:

Charlie Braunack – Parish Chairperson

Roger Frahn – Vice Chairperson

Janet Grosser - Secretary

Andrew Kleinig - Treasurer



Parish

Parish Small Group Gatherings

The first round of gatherings has occurred and interesting discussion has been had.

Please feel welcome to attend any of the upcoming gatherings and the details are as follows;

- * The group that meets at Peter and Jenny Mattschoss' home plans to gather on Sunday August 30th, Sunday September 13th and Sunday September 27th if you would like to reserve those dates in your diaries.
- * The group that meets in the Truro Sunday School Rooms will meet again soon with the time and date to be advised.
- * Friday August 28th at 1:00pm in the Stockwell Sunday School Rooms and the group will consider 'Why is there so much suffering in the world?'

Each group has generated a list of interesting questions, some of which they will discuss at future gatherings. Stay tuned and join in as you are able.

Contact the Parish Office or Debbie Borgas 0435 505 950 if you need more information.



**YOUTH
GROUP**

**MOVIE
NIGHT**

Barossa North - YOUTH

Come and join us for fun games,
challenges, food and good times
For high school aged young people
St John's Ebenezer Hall

Friday 4th September

7-9pm

Future Dates -

Friday 2nd October 7-9pm,
Sunday 1st November 1.30pm

Contact Fiona Hampel
0422114634 for further details

**Bring a
Friend**

Parish



You are cordially invited
to share the 90th
anniversary milestone of
the Strait Gate
Women's Fellowship

Guest preacher,
Pastor Paul Lohe
will accompany Pastor Damien at
Strait Gate's 20-Sept-26
10.30am Sunday church service

You are also invited to join
us afterwards at the
Vine Inn Hotel Bistro
for a pay-your-own lunch
at 12noon



Please rsvp to Christine Schmidt
0428 724 061 **by the 4th of September**
(this date is set by the Hotel's request)

Parish

Greg Schiller Volunteer Update – Week 6 (19 August 2026)



It's still not raining here. The dry season continues and may last some time yet. And we still have only about 3 hours of power each evening from our campus generator and some solar power. Does that sound a bit dark and dreary?

Well, no! There is plenty of colour here.



I'm reminded about that as I sit in chapel each day. I look around and see not only bright faces, but also some very bright shirts! Here is Lazarus, year 2 student, in his colourful shirt. There's plenty of colour in our worship too. Tonight our chapel will be led by students from the Western Highlands. These district led services often feature languages and music from the students' home areas. These local hymns are not written in hymn books. They are sung from the heart and from memory. In a country with so many languages, these locally composed songs bring wonderful variety and colour to our worship times. The women add tambourines and dancing, with plenty of joy in their faces. **I love these district led worship times.**



And there was even more colour last weekend when I went with my PNG family to the Hagen Show. What an exciting and colourful celebration! So yes, the ground is dry, and the nights dark when the generator stops. **But life here is certainly not colourless!**

Please pray;

- For **rain**, for families whose gardens are affected by the long dry season.
- For the seminary as we manage with **limited electricity**.
- Give thanks for the **joy and colour of worship**, and for the many languages and cultures represented in our seminary community.
- Give thanks for our **students and their families**, and pray that they will continue to grow in faith as they prepare for ministry.

General



September 11th - 13th: "Acts of the Spirit" Retreat will be held at St Petri and include 5 sessions from

Rev Dr Dean Zweck, plus an optional bus trip and dinner on Saturday. We begin on Friday evening at 7:00pm, spend Saturday together with learning, fellowship & fun, and conclude mid-afternoon on Sunday. There are options for part-time participation. See a flyer or the Regional Learning Hub for more information on the program and costs. **RSVP** 2nd September 2026

Lutheran Care Needs Your Help...

Emergency Relief is a program that supports a large number of locals with food, bedding & toiletries.

We would love your support to replenish our stock with items that we are in need of. Thank YOU for helping US to help OTHERS.

All donations can be dropped off at the Tanunda Office (109-111 Murray Street).

For the month of **August** we would love your support to replenish our Emergency Relief with:

Sweet / Savoury Biscuits

Tinned Tuna

Long Life Milk

Cereal



A great place for a get-together – not to mention great coffee and cake!!



**10.00am
Tuesday
August 25**

Wanera
65 Murray St Angaston



**Cyclists
Langmeil
Carpark
9.30am
Thursday
August 27
Others 10.30
at Wanera**

General

Dear Valued Supporter,

On behalf of Lutheran Care, I am delighted to invite you to attend the official opening of the new **Barossa Community Centre** in Nuriootpa. The centre has been made possible through the support of the Department of Human Services' Neighbourhood Development Scheme, together with the generosity of local businesses, community groups and supporters who have helped bring this vision to life.



This exciting new community hub has been created in response to local community feedback and will provide a welcoming, inclusive space where individuals and families can connect, access support, participate in activities and strengthen community wellbeing. With a long and trusted history of serving the Barossa community, Lutheran Care is proud to open a new space dedicated to connection, wellbeing and belonging for generations to come.

The official opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place on:

Date: Thursday 27th August 2026

Time: 9:45am for a 10:00am start

Venue: 25 Second Street, Nuriootpa SA

The event will bring together community leaders, local government representatives, partner organisations, supporters and volunteers who have played a role in establishing the centre. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Helen Walker on hwalker@lutherancare.org.au

Please RSVP by Thursday 20 August to barossacommunitycentre@lutherancare.org.au

Education can change everything.

Step out at Aberfoyle Park to help protect refugee girls from child marriage.

Register today
aberfoylepark.walkmyway.org.au

**Saturday
12 September,
11:30am–4pm**

Our Saviour Lutheran Church Aberfoyle Park



aberfoylepark.walkmyway.org.au



Nuriootpa Chatty Café

You're invited!

Join us every **Thursday*** for a chat, cuppa and a variety of fun activities. Bring your friends or come along and make new ones.

 Nuriootpa Soldiers Memorial Hall (46 Murray Street, Nuriootpa)

 1:30pm – 3:30pm  08 8562 2688

 lutherancare.org.au/community-connections/

*This program runs during the school term.

brought to you by.  

General

Barossa Ark News

A Place to Grow in Faith...

Discover a wonderful range of Christian resources for every age and stage of life.

- *Bibles and Study Guides*
- *Gifts & Cards*
- *Christian Books*
- *Children's Books & Toys*
- *Locally made Gifts and Souvenirs*



47 Murray Street, Nuriootpa 5355 Ph 85624631

OPEN Tuesday – Friday 9:30am - 5:00pm SAT 9:30am - 12:00pm



2026 BAROSSA ZONE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP DAY

**Friday September 18 2026
at St Petri Lutheran Church,
Eden Valley.**

THEME: OUR COSMIC GOD

Guest Speaker: Pastor Greg Pfeiffer

“What on Earth is a Dark Sky Reserve?”

**9.30am Cuppa and morning tea
provided**

**Worship with HC at 10am
followed by Bible Study
with Pastor Peter Ziersch**

Spot speakers

**Bookshop display/sales from
The Ark, Nuriootpa**

BYO Lunch

**Lutheran Care Project—
New towels and sheets,
tea towels**

Trading Table

*Host: Spring Valley Lutheran
Women's Fellowship*



BAROSSA SCHOOLS CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE

PRESENTS

A CAR BOOTSALE!

**Saturday October 10
8.30am-1.00pm
iSee Church Carpark
Nuriootpa**

\$ 20 per car

**Coffee, tea and scones available
All proceeds go towards pastoral care in
Barossa schools**

For further information or to book a site contact:

Steph- email: stephhoff29@gmail.com

Or call: 0417 887 299

What's on this week?



Sunday 23rd August:

9:00am ***Kid's Living in Christ (KLIC)*** in the Ebenezer Hall
3:00pm ***Craig Kirkby Faith Conversations Follow Up*** at Immanuel, Light Pass

Monday 24th August:

Pastor Damien's Day of Rest



Tuesday 25th August:

1:45pm ***Bible Study*** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP
4:00pm ***Confirmation Class*** in the Holy Trinity Church Hall

Wednesday 26th August:

9:00am ***Prayer Fellowship*** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP

Thursday 27th August:

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat
7:30pm ***Parish Prayer Group*** in the Immanuel LP Church

Friday 28th August:

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat
1:00pm ***Parish Small Group*** in the Stockwell Sunday School Rooms

Saturday 29th August:

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat
8:30am ***Light Pass Immanuel Busy Bee*** in the Immanuel Church Grounds



Thought For The Week

Extraordinary things are always hiding
in places people never think to look.

Jodi Picoult

What's on next week?



Sunday 30th August:

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost - service times are on the back page of the bulletin

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat

10:00am **Parish Service** at Strait Gate, Light Pass

1:30pm **Parish Small Group** at Peter & Jenny Mattschoss' Home, Nuriootpa

Monday 31st August:

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat

Tuesday 1st September:

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat

4:00pm **Confirmation Class** in the Holy Trinity Church Hall



Wednesday 2nd September:

Pastor Damien Away on Retreat

9:00am **Prayer Fellowship** in the Meeting Room, Immanuel LP

Thursday 3rd September:

7:30pm **Parish Prayer Group** in the Immanuel LP Church

Friday 4th September:

6:30pm **Shed Happens**

7:00pm **Barossa North Youth Group** in the Ebenezer Hall

Saturday 5th September:

8:30am **Light Pass Immanuel**
Busy Bee (if required)



Sunday 30th August 2026 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Green)



Parish Service

10:00am

**Strait Gate
Lutheran
Church**

**Pastor David
Freckelton**

Shared morning tea to follow

LIGHT PASS - SG

Grounds:

See Above

Greg Kretschmer & Ian Grosser

HOLY TRINITY

Grounds:

No Service

Graeme Mattschoss

NEUKIRCH

No Service

EBENEZER

No Service

DUTTON

No Service

TRURO

No Service

STOCKWELL

Church Grounds:

No Service

C Auricht & S Auricht Family

LIGHT PASS - IM

Grounds:

No Service

Lloyd John, Darren John, Matthew Schiller, Ryan Schiller
& Kane Schiller



Deadline for inclusion of notices is **Thursdays at 9:00am** to the Parish email barossanorthlutheran@gmail.com or by hand to the office.