

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Elizabeth

"A Christ Centred Community where God's love is experienced and shared, so that all may know and worship Jesus"





Sunday 3rd March 2024

Third Sunday in Lent Church Year B

Pastor Greg Bensted

10:00am Worship with HC

Readings

EXODUS 20:1-17

The Ten Commandments
1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25

Christ crucified-God's power and wisdom

JOHN 2:13-22

Jesus cleanses the temple and gives a sign PSALM 19

Pray for peace in Jerusalem Psalm 122:6

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NOTES ON THE READINGS

Genesis 20:1-17: The law of God, given through Moses to Israel at Mount Sinai, was spoken by the voice of God and written by him on two tablets of stone. Although brief, this code of conduct yet encompassed a breadth of social behaviour towards family and community which would guarantee an ideal society if followed comprehensively. God Almighty (El Shaddal) had the right to expect Israel to follow his stipulated will as he was the gracious and protecting saviour who had brought his people out of Israel. Nearly all the commands (except for the abrogated Sabbath command) are repeated and amplified variously in the New Testament.

1 Corinthians 1:18-25: We still run up against the same difficulty as St Paul did with the gospel if we proclaim it faithfully. The world sees it as weak and foolish. The sophisticated 'wise' of our time also expect to reach and find God only if he can be defined and explained by human intellectual power. Paul shows us that salvation comes only by the power of God through the word he chooses to use to change people and save them. The crucifixion calls for humble sorrow over sin, but because it is the 'wisdom of God' is the only effective means of lifting people above their own intellectual limits unto an eternal relationship with the Father.

John 2:13-22: Because of the Jewish dispersion, the sale of sacrificial animals and money changing was offered as a service to people who had travelled long distances to Jerusalem. However, the presence of competitive commercial enterprise and no doubt the accompanying opportunity for exorbitant profiteering had threatened true devotional worship. Hence Jesus' sharp and dramatic reaction. His reference to 'my Father's house' implies clearly a distinctive messianic claim. Recognition of this claim led the Jews to ask for a 'sign' or miracle to prove his authority. Understandably the enigmatic reply about raising his body in three days went past their comprehension. The disciples, on the other hand, remembered the saying after the resurrection. Their faith that Jesus' word was on the same level as the Old Testament scripture was thus strengthened.

For Inclusions in the Bulletin, contact Rita Kuhlmann kuhlraven@outlook.com <u>NO later than Tuesday night</u> Thank you.

Back In Time @ St Peter's ...in 1988

Opening and use of the hall and Sunday School rooms ~ new pews in the church ~ congregational picnic in September ~ Garage Sale September 10th ~ LCA Jubilee 150 Festival of Faith, 18-20 November at Wayville. L.W. Hamilton.

Julie Schiller is requesting expressions of interest from those with a Working With Children Check (or those willing to get one - see Dianne Moore) to help with the supervision of children in St Peter's Sunday School program.

Pastor Peter Pfitzner was called home on Sunday 18 February. His funeral will be held on Tuesday 12 March @ 10:30am at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Robertstown, SA. We pray for God's comfort as his family grieve his loss.

Bev & Ashley deLongville
Brenton & Jan Chomel
Robert & Jane Preuss
Geoff & Janette Burls
Rod Tassell
Geoff Roberts
Garry & Heather Heyne
John Rudnicki
Valerie Panagaris

March Birthdays

8th ~ Elizabeth Kriewaldt

9th ~ Garry Heyne

12th ~ Selena Kowald

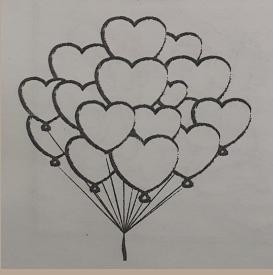
13th ~ Kayla Agars

14th ~ Bailey Gladigau

18th ~ Judy Young

20th ~ Deborah Kowald Seth Shannon

31st ~ Perce Voigt







I thank my God for you
every time I think of you;
and every time I pray for you
I pray with joy.
Philippians 1:3-4

We are now providing worship pages for children that follow the church year. These activity sheets can be found on the table at the back of the church in a basket marked "Children's Ministry"

St Peter's Opp Shop Open Wed, Fri, & Sat, 9am-11:30am

St Peter's Opp Shop is run by volunteers and supports community projects.

"It's bigger on the inside than it is on the outside!"



Our Opp Shop now has an EFTPOS machine for your convenience!! Go and try it out this week!!

Lutheran Care MARCH Appeal

Breakfast cereal / Pasta

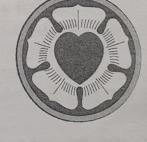
Tinned steak / veg

Butter / Margarine / sugar

Toothbrushes

Shampoo / conditioner





All donations should be sealed and in original packaging.

Thank you for your support.

The Lutheran Church of Australia (LCA) is committed to providing a safe church environment for children and young people.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU AND ME! All paid staff, leaders in the congregation, and volunteers must complete a Working With Children's Check (DHS) and undertake the Church Safe Training (Level 1). All ChildSafe information is available at:

https://www.stpeterslutheranelizabeth.net.au/child-safe-news-andupdates.html

Our Church Safe officer is Dianne Moore.

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Regular Electronic Giving

ACCOUNT NAME:

Elizabeth St Peters Lutheran Church **Reserve Funds**

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 100118763

BSB: 704 942

Our Father's

Attendance

25th January ~67

Wednesday ~ 33

How your support has St Peter's in February:

been received

\$6,403.00 received.

\$11,000.00 / month required.

Our church is entirely funded by members. Thank you for your support of St Peter's:

Our Rock in the North.

Lenten Services @ St Peter's

28th February ~ Midweek Lent 2 Loaves & Fishes Meal (5pm) Service (6pm)

6th March ~ **Midweek Lent 3** Loaves & Fishes Meal (5pm) Service (6pm)

13th March ~ Midweek Lent 4
Loaves & Fishes Meal (5pm) Service (6pm)

20th March ~ Midweek Lent 5 Loaves & Fishes Meal (5pm) Service (6pm)

VIP NEEDED to update St Peter's website!!

Please contact Edith if you are the

Very Important Person we're looking for!!

Ph: 0428 846 219

Midweek Lent 2 ~ 28th FEBRUARY 2024 6PM

Duty Elder & Readings: Colleen Hage

Readings:

MARK 14:22-31 PSALM 42 MARK 14:32-52



NEXT WEEK: Sunday 10th March 2024

NUMBERS 24:1-9 EPHESIANS 2:1-10 JOHN 3:14-21 PSALM 117





10:00am Service of the Word with HC

DUTY ELDER:

Erica Kakoschke

READINGS:

Solveiga Greaves

USHERS:

Dean & Kay Schubert

POWER POINT:

Ian Nitschke

PA:

Colleen Hage

COFFEE:

B. deLongville & B. Tassell

CARDS:

C. Marks



OTHER ROSTERS

Opp. Shop Fri:

08/03 ~ A. & B. deLongville

Opp. Shop Sat:

09/03 ~ J. Tonissen & L. Braun

Flowers:

09/03 ~ V. Dutschke





WHAT'S ON AT ST PETER'S THIS WEEK:



Women's Fellowship Meeting Thursday 7th March, 10am.

Church Council Meeting SUNDAY 10th March, 1pm.