

# **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Horsham**

21 April 2024—Easter 4



# **Bible Readings for 21 April 2024**

### **FIRST READING**

Acts 4:5-12 'Peter and John before the council'

### **SECOND READING**

1 John 3:16-24 'The Christian's assurance'

### THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:11-18 'The good shepherd dies for the sheep'

# **Church in April 2024**

All Sunday services will begin at 9.30am 21 April, 9.30am Holy Communion 28 April, 9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday morning services will be available live on our YouTube channel (Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Horsham) or later in the day/week at <a href="https://www.nutheranhorsham.org">lutheranhorsham.org</a>.

# **Indian Night**

6 pm on 31 May

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Hall

Pr Hans & Cyndrella will showcase Indian Dancing & Music.

Indian food will be provided. Try on a sari or wear your own Indian costume if you have one.

Cost is \$30 each with children under 16 free.

RSVP by 24 May to the church office (5382 1325) or Loloma (0408 100 058).

### Rosters

**Lawn Mowing** beginning **21 April** Luke Rethus

Treasury Stewards 28 April: M Driller, I Walter, J Jones

Flowers 28 April: Imitation Flowers

Cuppas 28 April: G & M Wynne, J & A Keller

LCA/NZ PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Reflecting God's Love

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

If you think a child is at risk of harm ...

• In an emergency, call 000 (Australia) or 111 (New Zealand).

• If it is not an emergency, call your local police and child protection authority.

### COMING EVENTS AT HOLY TRINITY

### This Week

Tues, 23 April, 6.45pm Growing in Faith session, Ed Centre Wed, 24 April, 9.30am Wed Wildflowers, Education Centre

Wed, 24 April, 5.30pm Eat and Chat in the Hall

Thurs, 25 April, Public Holiday (Anzac Day) Church Office shut Next Week

Tue, 30 April 9.30am Guild Executive, Board Room
Tues, 30 April, 6.45pm Growing in Faith session, Ed Centre
Wed, 1 May 1:15pm Fun & Fellowship, Education Centre
Wed, 1 May 5.30pm Eat & Chat in the Education Centre



Eat and Chat will meet on 24 April in the Hall

All are welcome to come and enjoy a meal and chat.

# **Growing in Faith**

On Tuesday this week approximately 14 young people are expected to begin this program which leads to First Communion and Confirmation. We thank God for them. Please pray for them and their families.

### **Hall Floor**

Work on the Hall floor is expected to begin on 29 April and will last for approximately 3 weeks. There will be no activities in the Hall during this time including no Sunday morning cuppa. Please check with the office if this creates some uncertainty re an activity you are involved in.

# Jacob's Well 3 Minutes with Jesus



180 Devotions for Women

\$22.00

What's the best way to spend 3 minutes? With Jesus!

This devotional packs a powerful dose of wisdom into just-right-sized readings for your busy schedule.

It contains a scripture from the teachings of Jesus to meditate on, a short devotional reading, and a prayer to jump start a conversation with God.

Each reading is the ideal way for you to begin or end your day. Perfect for personal use or a thoughtful gift, this accessible book is great for women of all ages.

## Please pray:

- For the Melbourne North West Region (Melton, St Albans & Sunbury) and their pastoral vacancy.
- Thank God for his blessings as we receive through the seasons
- For the Growing in Faith program; for Pr Hans and Lynda as they lead our young people in their 'Faith' Journey.
- For those with LLL accounts that they understand the new model.
- ♦ For the LCANZ officials as they serve the Lord.
- ♦ For the affected in the Bondi Junction Massacre and the Priest Mari Emmanuel following his stabbing.
- For all those mourning the deaths of Cynthia Grosser and Val Stewart.

**Special Birthdays & Anniversaries:** 

Special Birthday: Phyllis Habel, 90 on April 20 Dulcie Bennet, 90 on Apr 25 Lawrence Hedt on April 25

<u>Sick and recovering:</u> Graeme Werner, Chas McDonald, Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village Residents & Staff

Long-Term Patients, Horsham—Graham Schultz,
 Eric George, <u>Dimboola</u>—Elsa Polack
 <u>Warracknabeal</u>—Phyllis Habel, Jeparit—Marj Werner,

### **Latest Link to LCA eNews**

http://lcaenews.online/24041

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### Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village,

Trinity Drive Horsham **Phone:** 5382 0034

Website: www.slrv.com.au/

Chief Executive Officer: Denise Hooper

# Still confused about your LLL Account?

The LLL has made the decision to transition to a Religious Charitable Development Fund so they can continue to support the Lutheran Church as they have for over 100 years.

What does this mean for you? What will happen to your account?

Scott Ross, Chief Relationship Officer will provide the latest information and an opportunity to ask questions at an online meeting on Thursday 9 May at 7pm. Register your attendance by providing your name, email address and congregation name to events@Ill.org.au by 8 May.

If you can't attend on 9 May, you can email <a href="mailto:events@lll.org.au">events@lll.org.au</a> and they can update you on future online meeting opportunities over the coming weeks.

# **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Website**

Have you been checking our website: <u>lutheranhorsham.org</u>?

A link to the video version of Sunday's service is posted each Sunday morning after the service is over. You are then able to worship online if you haven't been able to attend church.

Coming events are also listed on the front page as well as banking details for the church and REG (LLL).

Other information about our congregation including pdf copies of the bulletin, Sunday sermons, the 'Taking Faith Home' sheet etc. can be found by following the menus.

Have a look!

### **LWV Convention**

### Saturday 4 May at Warracknabeal

Would you like to attend? Do you need transport? A bus is available for anyone who would like to use it. Please contact Leonie Hateley on 0427 670 061 for more information or to book a place on the bus.

# Readings for this week

21 April, Sunday,	John 10:11-18
22 April, Monday	Luke 13:18-30
23April, Tuesday,	Luke 13:31-35
24 April, Wednesday,	Luke 14:1-11
25 April, Thursday,	Luke 14:12-24
26 April, Friday,	Luke 14:25-35
27 April, Saturday,	Psalm 22:25-31

### **Note from Chairman**

Greetings to our wonderful congregation

I would like to provide an update following Monday's Church Council meeting.

Our devotion to open the meeting was on the topic of thanks to all those who are part of Gods work and doing His service. The special message for me was – "I thank God for you". Thank you to all who serve God in their particular way, no matter how minor your role may be.

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful service provided by the Worship Team in preparing the Church for the Holy Week services and activities undertaken. The set up and changes over the Easter services was appreciated by many and thanks for your efforts in doing so much.

Thank you also to those who served in the early morning breakfast Easter Sunday, the cuppas, the hot cross buns and the cooking of eggs and bacon – well done to all and thank you for your service.

The Easter story presented by the students at HTL College was special and people have commented on the wonderful Christian witness provided by the students there. May God continue to bless the College and all those who are part of it. If you were unable to visit this year, make sure you visit next Easter!

New fold out step at the Lectern. Thanks to Gordon Mills who has installed a fold-out step to be used by those who find the lectern has grown in height! No longer do we need to pull across the stool – just fold down the step.

The hall floor resurfacing etc is scheduled to commence on the 29<sup>th</sup> of April. The hall is out of action for 3 weeks. There will be no cuppas during this time as the Ed centre will have Kids Time in operation. There will be three coatings – and we don't know what effect the smells from that will be. Hopefully the smell will dissipate before the Sunday of each week. If it is too bad, we will move the Church service. We will ask for the lacquer etc to be done as far away from Sunday as possible. CC was also pleased to receive funds from the Ladies Guild of \$3000 toward this cost – thank you!

Maintenance works continue on our church plant and buildings. Some recent fix up jobs were done at Rennison St. We are still waiting on progress and quotes for replacement safety glass to the side entrance doors.

Faith Chests. For over 20 years faithful members have made these and we have filled them with special gifts for baptisms and these serve as a reminder for parents and a way to share faith. The number of people who have been able to build these has diminished and we are looking at the possibility of this not continuing for ever. Question – do we

have people who are willing and able to assist in this service? Does the congregation have ideas for what we might do going forward if we cannot find such people? I just wanted to alert you to the situation and see what comes out.

Jacobs Well. The financial results of Jacobs Well are much better than the past few years – but we are still looking at losses. We need people to visit and purchase wherever possible – and encourage others to do so too! Church Council considers this to be a wonderful outreach and if we can keep losses to a smaller level or hopefully break even, then this mission service will continue. Members may wish to donate funds to assist, and this helps as well.

Our Member Capital Works loans have significantly reduced with the balance of loans now down to \$4476. Treasurer Paul will contact those with loans still owing to see if they would like them paid out as we have funds to do so. (Or those members might like to advise Paul first.)

The Lenten offerings were approximately \$3500, and these go to the LCA Lenten Appeal as advised.

The retiring offering and other donations toward Pr Solomon Amjala's work in India raised over \$4000.

A number of members have indicated a desire to look for special mission projects and this one was well received. CC would be pleased to receive ideas and thoughts on mission projects that the Congregation might be in a position to support. Some suggestions have been put forward.

Pr Hans reported on his activities including Baptisms, Funerals, home visits, SLRV services and visits, devotions and prayer times at our college and various other duties. A number of initiatives arising from our Planning Day late last year are under way and getting ready to implement. Bible Studies groups for the whole congregation are planned – so start thinking about this! Resources and a program are being prepared.

We are targeting services for our younger people on a regular basis – we are very conscious of the need to involve the young and have them feel welcomed, appreciated and valued – which they are! A number of our younger members are working toward a "Youth Band" and CC strongly endorses this.

There is much to be done and we are hastening slowly – we thank God for Pr Hans for his spiritual guidance.

Romans 15 v 7 Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

May God be with you.

Chairman Peter