

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Horsham

24 December, Christmas Eve



Bible Readings for 24 December

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:2-7 To us a child is born

SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14 The grace of God has appeared

THE HOLY GOSPEL

<u>Luke 2:1-14</u> **Today the Saviour is born**

Church in December 2023

Services on 24 December will be the children's service at 7.30pm and a Holy Communion service at 11pm. Note—no morning service.

Service on Christmas Day includes Holy Communion. There will be no Holy Communion on 31 December All regular services will begin at 9.30am.

The 7.30pm service on 24 December will be available on our YouTube channel as well as the 31 December and 7 January services. You can participate live at the regular worship times or at www.lutheranhorsham.org. later in the day or week.

LLL changes

The LLL is returning to Religious Charitable Development Fund status. In order to do this some of their services will change.

If you have an LLL account, it is recommended that you go to <u>LLL returning to RCDF status | LLL Australia</u> to see if the changes might affect you.

LLL Calendars Available

These are available now. Please pick up one from the tables at the back of the sanctuary.

Rosters

The following include times 31 Dec through 7 Jan 2024.

Lawn Mowing beginning 31 Dec: Ken Winfield,

7 Jan Andrew Wundke

Treasury Stewards 31 Dec: E Hedt, S Cramer, T Schultz,

7 Jan. B Harberger, P Rudolph

Flowers 31 Dec & 7 Jan: Imitation Flowers Cuppas 25, 31 Dec & Jan 2024: No cuppas

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

Sunday, 24 December 7.30pm & 11pm Christmas Eve Services Monday, 25 December 9.30am Christmas Day Service No meetings or activities during the last week of December or first week of January

Holy Trinity's Office closed

from 1pm on 22 December. Reopen at 9am on 8 January.

Our office staff is taking a much needed small break and have worked ahead to organize services and activities.

Continue to ring the regular phone number (5382 1325) in an emergency.

The Bulletin will be available on 24 December as usual but there will be none on 31 December or 7 January. If rostered on for a duty follow the worship roster or information you have been given otherwise.

Worship Roster to be prepared soon

We need information for the February, March & April rosters by 9 January 2024 please.

Please let the office know by then if you are unable to do your service sometime during these months.

New volunteers are welcome. Please contact the office.

Changes to the Address Book

Soon work will begin on updating information about Holy Trinity's people for the 2024 Address Book. Please notify the office of any changes to your physical or email address or phone numbers. You may use our email address to do this.

Jacob's Well

Time Out Devotion Books

These are running late. If you would like a copy/copies give Jacob's Well your contact details and they will put a copy aside for you and let you know when they arrive.



Trading hours:

Christmas/New Year

Dec 24-26—Closed Dec 27-28—10am to 4pm Dec 30-Jan 8—Closed

Jan 9 Reopen 10am to 4pm

January Trading Hours Mon—Closed Tues-Fri—10am to 4pm

Sat-10am to 12pm

Please pray:

- ♦ For all those travelling during the holiday season.
- ◆ For our local congregation, College, Rest Home and Jacob's Well.
- For our office staff as they take a well deserved break.
- For all school children as they spend more time with family during the school holidays.
- For the LCA as they struggle with the women's ordination issue.
- For the people of Queensland as they deal with the results of Cyclone Jasper. Ask God to help us help as we can.
- ♦ For the Australian Lutheran World Service as they serve those in need in various parts of the world.

Special Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Tarsh Reichelt 29 Dec (21yrs)

Sick and recovering: Val Krause, John Fulwood,

Elsa Polack, Lois Cramer, Max Judd

Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village Residents & Staff

Long-Term Patients, Horsham—Graham Schultz,
 Cynthia Grosser, Eric George
 Warracknabeal—Phyllis Habel, Jeparit—Marj Werner,
 Natimuk—Cyril Webb; Edenhope—Dot Effrett

Latest Link to LCA eNews

http://lcaenews.online/231212

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Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village,

Trinity Drive Horsham **Phone:** 5382 0034

Website: www.slrv.com.au/

Chief Executive Officer: Denise Hooper

Floods in Queensland

Please pray especially for the people of the small town of Wujal Wujal and other areas around Cairns who have lost everything due to the flooding in the aftermath of cyclone Jasper. Our church building and businesses and about 30 homes in the town have been flooded. A webpage for application forms and donations is currently being created and will be on the LCAQD website for donations.

Give to ALWS

The Australian Government is offering a new 5:1 grant for our Lutheran Church ALWS ministry this Christmas to children with disabilities in Somalia. Look for packets of information on the table at the back of the church and send your gift directly to the ALWS. This can be done by mail, phone (1300 763 407) or on their website:

https://www.alws.org.au/what-you-can-do/donate/

There are many opportunities to support destitute people via ALWS. Please take time to see what they do and include them in your giving during the year—not just at Christmas.

Volunteers Wanted.

Are you interested in helping the seniors in your community?

If so, Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village would love to hear from you.

We have multiple volunteer positions available.

- Volunteer Escorts: to assist our residents to and from appointments.
- 1 to 1 Volunteer: To conduct 1:1 visit with our residents that don't receive family visits.
- Volunteer Musicians: to come and perform for our residents, whether it be playing the guitar, piano, ukulele, singing and everything in between.
- General Volunteer: To assist the leisure and lifestyle team with the running of special events and the day-to-day activities program.

If any of these positions interest you, whether you can offer an hour a week or a full day a week, we would love to hear from you.

For more information please contact, Brock Sturrock (Activities Coordinator) on 5382 0034 or brocks@slrv.com.au

Readings for this week

24 December, Sunday, Luke 2:1-20
25 December, Monday, John 1:1-14
26 December, Tuesday, Colossians 1:1-14
27 December, Wednesday, Colossians 1:15-23
28 December, Thursday, Colossians 1:24-2:7
29 December, Friday, Colossians 2:8-23
30 December, Saturday, Psalm 148