



Weekly Update

29th August 2021

Our Purpose: *Following Jesus and Making Disciples by Connecting, Growing, Equipping and Sending*



Bible Readings:

Sunday 29th August – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sunday 5th September – 15th Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day

Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-17; Mark 7:24-37



Please Pray for:

Our Congregation

- ✝ **Congregation Members** – for all members and friends of St John's at this time, those who are unwell, recovering, receiving ongoing treatment, grieving or experiencing a hard time.
- ✝ **Pastoral Team** – Holy Spirits guidance and protection.
- ✝ **Bible study** – participants continue to grow as Jesus' disciples as we are challenged to think differently about our faith.
- ✝ **Pastor Call Process** – for the call team as they look for a new Pastor to call.



Local and World

- ✝ **COVID** – the outbreak around Australia and all effected in any way.
- ✝ **Afghanistan** – for the people of Afghanistan affected by the Taliban.
- ✝ **Haiti Earthquake** – those who have lost loved ones and for all affected.
- ✝ **LCA National and District Bishops** – Holy Spirits guidance.
- ✝ **Christians suffering persecution** – especially those who are displaced or killed.
- ✝ **Lutheran Media Ministry** – to bring the love of Jesus to listeners and thanks to Pastor Richard Fox for leading us in worship last Sunday.
- ✝ **Victims of Natural Disasters** – those who have lost loved ones or property.
- ✝ **Members of Parliament** – to listen to their constituents and follow their conscience.
- ✝ **Christian Education** – all to set good examples of Christian conduct.

Keeping Children Safe



If you think a child is at risk of harm ...
In an emergency, call 000. If it is not an emergency, call your local police and child protection authority.

Weekly Update Prayers/Notices

If you have any prayer/praise points or a notice to include in the Weekly Update, please fill out the back of the Welcome Card or contact the Church Office.

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This Weeks Activities:

Date	Time	Activity	Location/Contact
Sun 29/8	8.30am	Worship with HC	Church
	10am	Worship with HC	Church
	12Noon	Lazy Sunday Lunch	Highbury Hotel (Judy 8264 6640)
Tues 31/8	7.30pm	Let's Pray	Church Office
	7.30pm	Kids Talk Meeting	Church Office
Wed 1/9	12Noon	Open Door	Hall (Charmaine - 0418 221 308)
	4pm	Teens Small Groups	Church Office
Sat 4/9	8am	Shed Men (Bookings essential)	Grant Owen's shed, 25 Elinga Road, Fairview Park

Coming Up / To Note:



Congratulations

29th August – 4th September

Birthday

29/08 – Shirley Fensom (80th)

01/09 – Lois Fendler

03/09 – Mitchell Wheaton

Also to all others who have celebrations during this time. Every blessing!

Congregational Offering/Giving

July (YTD): \$91,844

Anticipated: \$99,390

Variance: -\$7,546



Offerings were lower than normal this month which was to be expected given the lockdown. We continue to run significantly behind budget and would appreciate prayerful consideration of your giving.

Kids Talk Meeting

Next held on **Tuesday 31st**

August, 7.30pm in the **Church**

Office. If you would like to

take part in preparing the kids talk for Sunday worship, you're welcome to come along to the meeting to learn more.




Shed Men

Shed Men will be held at **Grant Owen's shed**, 25 Elinga Road, Fairview Park on **Saturday 4th September, 8am.** **Bookings essential.** To book and for more info contact Gavin - 0403 086 052.



Recycle for Mission

Your **empty refundable bottles and cans** donated to our congregation helps **support our mission projects.** Next collection **Sunday 5th September.** Please leave your items in the **Hall** corridor near the Youth Room. 

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Held on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of the month. Next held on **Wednesday 8th September, 10am** in the **Church Office.** All welcome. For more information, please contact the Church Office.

WEDNESDAY MORNING
Bible Study

L.E.D Youth

Next held on **Friday 10th September, 7pm** in the **Hall**. For more information, please call Damien - 0424 110 107.



COVID Restrictions

Capacity is 3 people per 4m². **Wearing of masks is required.** Singing is permitted, but a mask must be worn. Holy Communion will be seated until further notice. For more information, please contact one of the AST members.



Submit your Suggestions – Pastor

The recent called Pastor to St John's has declined. A list of Pastors that are currently available for call has been sent out to members. Please go through the list and if there is a Pastor not previously submitted that will be a good fit for us, please forward names to Carey Noack - carey.noack@lca.org or one of the call team. Cut off - **Monday 30th August.**

Calling a Pastor

Volunteers Needed

If you can help serve Tea and Coffee after worship, **each month** please add your name to the pages at the servery or contact the Church Office.



The Song Keepers Movie

The Song Keepers movie is a unique historical legacy and tribute to the endurance of cultures, languages and histories of the Aboriginal peoples in the Lutheran communities of Central Australia. To watch the movie plus to download a study guide visit: www.rap.lca.org.au/2021/07/30/the-song-keepers/



Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is a hands-on way to bless children in need across the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, hygiene items, school supplies and fun gifts. If you would like to participate please contact Sue in the Church Office. Shoe boxes are now available. For more info, visit: samaritanspurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/



Rosters

Please contact the Church Office if you have any questions or would like to take part. * indicates that no one is rostered or available.

Role	29 th August	5 th September
Pastoral Assistant	A Dahlenburg	P Verrall
8.30am		
PowerPoint	C Down	S Hanrahan
Prayer	S Pfeiffer	M Sweeney
Reader	S Pfeiffer	M Sweeney
Sound Desk	A Flynn	P Schulz
Stewards	S Pfeiffer	G Hayden C Ormrod
Tea & Coffee	A Flynn; G Hayden	*
10am		
PowerPoint	J Wilksch	A Williams
Sound Desk	N Wilksch	G Spry
Stewards	H Anders; E Wegner	S Fensom; B Nitschke
Tea & Coffee	*	*
Other		
Cleaners	A Flynn; B Noack	J Latz; M Sweeney
Shed Men (4/8)	G Owen	

