

# Wodonga Lutheran Parish

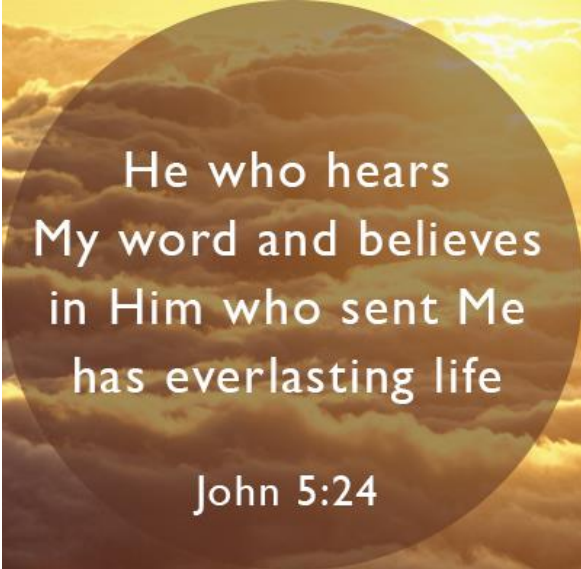
St John's Lutheran Church  
Victory Lutheran College



*Committed to Sharing Jesus*

**Last Sunday  
of the  
Church Year**

**21<sup>st</sup>  
November  
2021**



He who hears  
My word and believes  
in Him who sent Me  
has everlasting life

John 5:24

**Welcome to members, friends & visitors.**

We pray that you feel at home as you worship our Lord Jesus with us  
today.

Our Lord's love and peace be with you.

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**WORSHIP LEADER:** Pastor Graham Zweck

**SERMON:** John 5:22-29

**THEME:** WHEN YOU MEET JESUS

### READINGS FOR THIS WEEKEND

2 Samuel 23:1-7 The last words of David  
Revelation 1:4b-8 Jesus is coming on the clouds  
John 5:21-29 Jesus' authority to judge and to save

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday	John 5:21-29	Thursday	Revelation 2:1-11
Monday	Genesis 19:15-29	Friday	Revelation 20:11—21:1
Tuesday	Romans 2:1-16	Saturday	Psalms 25:1-10
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 4:16—5:10		

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In our prayers this week:

- **We pray for the following that are in need at this time:** Shirley BULLOCK (ESTIA); Kevin DRAPER; Ruth FRAUENFELDER; Phyllis HEINER [Yackandandah Health Aged Care]; Robert HASLAM; Gregory JENNINGS; Laurel McRAE [Yallaroo Albury]; Dianne WILLIAMS.
- **Please pray for Pastor Andre Meyer and God's blessing and guidance as he considers the Call to the Wodonga Parish.**
- **Pray for our Parish as we continue to search for a Pastor to lead us.**
- **Victory Lutheran College** – We pray for the Year 12 Retreat as it prepares our current Year 11s for 2022.
- **Tabor Congregation** – Pastor Sam Modra and Tara.
- **Tarrington Parish, congregations of Tarrington and Warrayure** – Pastor Neil Guthrig and Kylie.
- **Lay Staff** – Liz Uebergang.
- **Tarrington Lutheran School Ltd** – Principal James Phillips and staff team.
- **Victorian District Church Council DCC**
- **Victorian District Council for Ministry Support CMS**
- **Vic, NSW & Tas Board for Lutheran Education BLEVNT.**

### LCA INTERNATIONAL MISSION – PRAYER REQUESTS

- Wisdom for the leadership of the Lutheran Church in Cambodia to explore ways of becoming financially sustainable without the outside support of overseas donors.
- The newly elected leaders of the Gereja Kristen Protestant Angkola (GKPA) church, Indonesia: Ephorus Rev Ramos BB Simanjuntak and General Secretary Rev Reinhard Siregar.

*'Lord, renew your church, begin with me!'*

### NAME BADGES

The LCA has a special offer for congregations to obtain parish members name badges. If you are interested in obtaining a name badge, please let the Parish Council Secretary, Pastor Ernie know by the end of November. If there are enough people wanting a badge the Council will take up this special offer. The more people ordering the lower the price of the badge.

### RESTRICTIONS

There is no need to register to attend the 9.30am service, but you will need to show your double vaccination certificate to the usher on duty at the front door each Sunday.

**The 11am service, for those whose vaccination status is unknown, could you please register with me by Saturday evening, as you have done in the past.** My phone number 0407 495 773. Jenny Simboras

To the Parish Members of Wodonga Lutheran Parish  
I am writing to update you with the Parish financials. The eagle eyes amongst you will have noticed the latest spreadsheet at the back of the church as of 31/10/2021. There is a lot of information on that spreadsheet and therefore the print is a bit small.

In summary our bank balance continues to climb steadily but this is only a temporary situation whilst we have no pastor. The current combined balance is \$71,026.39.

Expenses are just below that budgeted for this year, currently \$72,622.45. You will notice that expenses exceed the money we have in our bank balances.

Income is well below what I had budgeted, and my budget was seriously conservative. Currently income is \$78,461.81 where as I had budgeted that would be \$88,206.00 by this time of the year, that's \$9,744.19 behind where it should be. (Certainly COVID-19 interruptions haven't help). I ask parishioners to consider this fall in income and consider if they can help in the remaining weeks of this year to get the budget back on track.

Thank you once again for trusting me with the financials of the Parish.

Yours in Christ,  
Paul Vogelsang  
Treasurer

## DINE-OUT FOR NOVEMBER

Dine-out will be on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November at The Blazing Stump Hotel at 12noon to 12:30pm start. All welcome. Entry before 12noon is via the Sports Bar.

## 2022 LLL CALENDARS

These calendars are in your pigeon holes awaiting collection.

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### ***VLC “VOICE OF VICTORY” NEWSLETTER***

<https://www.vlc.vic.edu.au/news-and-events/newsletters>

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### ***VICTORIA / TASMANIA DISTRICT eVOICES***

## **ARALUEN SUMMER FAMILY HOLIDAY**

**THURSDAY 06 JANUARY TO FRIDAY 14 JANUARY 2022**



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### LCA eNEWS

<https://lutheranchurchofaustralia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/t/F5E2DEDDD60D58752540EF23F30FEDED/D7674E8DAB845250CE63909E3969C05F>

## NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY

**Starts now**



Due to COVID, the survey period for the National Church Life Survey (NCLS) has been extended until February 2022. Nearly 3000 churches have signed up so far, and it's not too late to participate. Churches will receive a survey kit to help them run the 2021 NLCS.

### CONSIDERING STUDY IN 2022?

Enrolments are now open for study at/via ALC. Find out more at the [ALC website](#)

ALC is a diverse and welcoming learning community, delivering quality theological education and training to prepare Christians to serve and lead with confident Christian faith, integrity, competence and compassion in a changing world.



Growing  
**FAITH**  
at home

21 November 2021

LAST SUNDAY  
OF THE  
CHURCH YEAR

Caring Conversations

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

What would you do if you were a king or queen for a day?

2

Jesus is a King. What sort of King is he? When and how does he reign?

3

What does it mean to you that Jesus is your King?



Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

<b>S</b>	John 18:33-37	Jesus, the King of truth
<b>M</b>	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14	Judgement before the Ancient One
<b>T</b>	Revelation 1:4b-8	Jesus reigns
<b>W</b>	Mark 15:1-15	Pilate questions Jesus
<b>T</b>	John 8:31-47	The truth will set you free
<b>F</b>	2 John 1:1-9	Walking in the truth
<b>S</b>	Psalm 93	The majesty of God's rule
<b>S</b>	Luke 21:25-36	The coming of the Son of Man

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord Jesus,  
you are the  
King of truth.  
Help us to  
listen to you.  
Amen.

BLESSING

May Jesus, your  
King, bless you with  
his love. May he  
help you to know his  
forgiveness and give  
you power to serve  
him. Amen.

# Jesus is the King of Kings

## Creative Response

### Endings and Beginnings:

Take time this week to discuss your experience of church life over the past year. What were some highlights? What were some challenges, disappointments or difficulties? In what ways did you learn or grow?

**Pray together for God's blessing upon your church and your involvement with it over the next year.**

Begin to plan for your home observance of Advent. How will your family get ready this year? Some ideas include an Advent wreath with four candles, a Jesse Tree or learning the names of Jesus.

**Plan and gather the things you will need to journey through Advent.**

### mealtime prayer

Blessed be to God, our King, for health and food,  
for love and friends, for everything his goodness  
sends. Amen.

verse for the week

He has made us  
members of his  
royal family.  
He has made us  
priests who serve  
his God and Father.  
Give him glory and  
power for ever and  
ever! Amen.

REVELATION 1:6

## Service



As this church year ends, plan to say thank you to those in your congregation who have served you over the past year - pastors, Sunday school teachers, youth leaders and so on.

Give them a small gift, note or card in appreciation for their contributions.

## THIS WEEK:

Sunday	21 Nov	<b>9:30am</b>	CCIS HC Service (GZ)
		<b>11:00am</b>	CCIS HC Service (GZ)
Tuesday	23 Nov	11am-3pm	Church Office OPEN
		pm	Band Practice
Wednesday	24 Nov	9am-1pm	Church Office OPEN
Thursday	25 Nov	11am-3pm	Church Office OPEN
		7:30pm	College Council Meeting
Sunday	28 Nov	<b>9:30am</b>	Simple HC Service (EK)
		<b>11:00am</b>	Simple HC Service (EK)
		12noon	Dine-out at The Blazing Stump Hotel

## LAST WEEK: 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Congregation	Attendance	Communion	Notes:
St John's – 9:30am	32	32	One Service Only – Guest Speaker Ps Andrew Dockerill
St John's – 11:00am			
<b>Total Attendance:</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	

## NEXT WEEKEND: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C) READINGS

Sun 9:30am Wod	Simple HC Service (EK)	Jeremiah 33:14-16
Sun 11:00am Wod	Simple HC Service (EK)	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36

## ROSTER FOR THIS COMING WEEKEND (28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER)

<b>Communion/Altar</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>9:30am</b>	Carolyn Kiss
		<b>11:00am</b>	Marie Hill
<b>Reader</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>9:30am</b>	Rhonda Keller
		<b>11:00am</b>	Ingrid Harder
<b>PowerPoint</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>9:30am</b>	Vogelsang Family
		<b>11:00am</b>	Volunteer
<b>Usher/Counters</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>9:30am</b>	Kevin & Laurel Wiencke
		<b>11:00am</b>	Roger & Jan Farrell
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Nov 28 <sup>th</sup>		D Hawkey Family
<b>Mowers</b>	Nov 15 <sup>th</sup> - Nov 28 <sup>th</sup>		Peter Lade Adrian Gutsche