

Tidings NEWSLETTER

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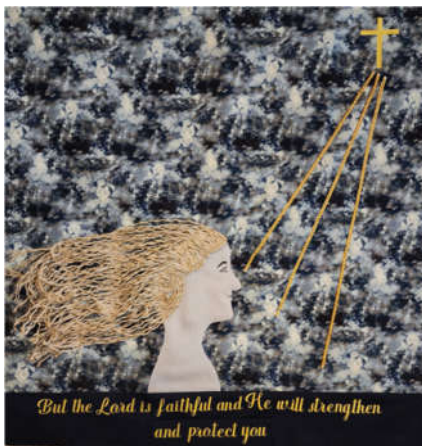
LUTHERAN WOMEN OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA
and
NORTHERN TERRITORY

JULY 2023

Presidents Message

Warmest greetings to you all,

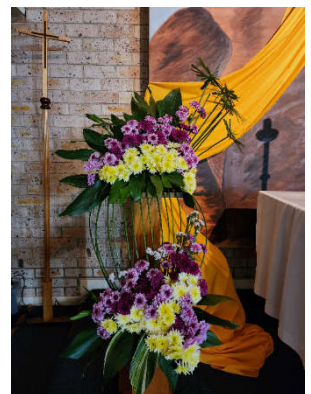
The cool winter months are here, and we have been blessed with good rain for seeding and replenishment for rainwater tanks. You may have had a thunderstorm recently like we had here in the southeast - a magnificent light show and a lot of rain. It reminded me of our recent Convention theme "Storms of Life", held at St Paul's, Glenelg. The theme text "*But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you,*" [2 Thessalonians 3: 3a] comforts those who know the Lord and are facing the many storms of either physical, emotional, mental, or spiritual turmoil. John van Ruth, CEO of Lutheran Disability Services highlighted the assistance given to connect people with disability with a Christian community, to be loved and protected in a safe and yet independent environment. We had Anne and Kay give testimonials that made me thank God that they were able to find their strength and solace in their Lord Jesus. You can read the report of the Convention here in the *Tidings Newsletter*, so all I will say is that it was another wonderful gathering of Lutheran ladies and friends, fantastic hosts, interesting speakers, and a lovely venue. Thank you to all the workers for their input to make the day a great success.



Contrary to our Convention theme, the LWSA-NT Retreat theme of "Beside still waters" promises to be a restful weekend, being quietly encouraged in faith, and growing in our relationship with our Lord Jesus. Hopefully you will receive an enrolment form through your fellowship or church network. Keep 21st & 22nd October 2023 free to join us at Mount Barker for retreat, and there are some billets available if you would like to stay close by for the weekend.

The 57th LWSA-NT Convention will be held on **Saturday 18th May 2024** to be hosted by Zion Lutheran Church, Glynde, and I hope as many as possible can join us on the day.

The new LWSA-NT Executive committee met in June to finish off the business of Convention. The minutes have been checked; the Constitution has been handed in to be accepted by our District Bishop and the offering for Convention has been disbursed. Thank you for your generous gifts of \$9,512.00 which will be a blessing to Lutheran Disability Services, Lutheran Media, and the community care program of the Glenelg congregation. We welcome Dagmar Preusker, Merrilyn Koch and Margaret Sallis to the Executive and Pastor Keith McNicol as our Spiritual Counsellor and pray their time with us is a blessing. We will miss the expertise of Joan Schiller, Ruth Kaesler, Pam Oster, and Pastor Mark Welke as they retire from their positions on the Executive, but I know they will continue to serve our Lord capably in other areas.



I would dearly love someone to offer to represent Lutheran Women SA-NT on the National Council of Women. If you can think of someone who may be interested in this position, please suggest it to them. The meetings for this body are held monthly in Adelaide, and I have been told you may attend via zoom. Please speak to me if you have any questions about this position.

Thank you for the invitation to visit the Zone fellowship days and many blessings to committee groups as you plan your gathering. We pray that God guides you and gives you the strength and peace to provide encouragement and support for all women that they may know Jesus and grow in his love.

*With Christian greetings,
Josie Hunt, LWSA-NT President*

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Our vision:

“To provide encouragement and support for all women that they may know Jesus and grow in his love.”

A snap shot of the Fifty-Sixth Convention

The Fifty-Sixth Convention of the Lutheran Women of SA-NT was held on Thursday 4th May at St Paul’s Lutheran Church Glenelg. The congregation members had prepared the church and the hall as a lovely welcoming atmosphere. Students from Immanuel College produced some art work to illustrate the theme: **“Storms of Life”** and these were displayed in the church. The theme was chosen as the focus for the day based on the words of 2 Thessalonians 3:3a *‘But the Lord is faithful and he will strengthen and protect you.’*

People gathered for a welcome cuppa with some having travelled by either car, train or bus and then tram to get to the venue. At 9:30 am the opening worship began with local Pastor Tim Ebbs leading the service. The hymn **‘Jesus, lover of my soul’** was sung. Pastor Tim told us how many years ago while on the Spirit of Tasmania he encountered a stormy trip from Melbourne to Devonport, Tasmania. He recounted that we all experience storms in our lives but we need to remember that Jesus has told us not to be afraid as he is with us. He reminded the gathering of the time when Jesus was in a boat with his disciples and a severe storm was threatening to swamp the boat but Jesus was asleep in the stern. The disciples woke him up and Jesus calmed the waves and he asked them ‘Why were so afraid? Do you still have no faith?’ The song **‘Jesus, please watch over us’** concluded the service.

President Josie Hunt welcomed all in attendance. On behalf of the Glenelg Lutheran Church, Chairperson Sharon Edwards welcomed the gathering and encouraged all to enjoy the day of fellowship.



LCASA-NT District Bishop David Altus and Assistant Bishop for mission Pastor Stephen Schultz addressed the gathering with words of encouragement and gave thanks to the Lutheran Women for all the support that has been given to many different projects.

In memory of those dearly departed, the hymn **'Take thou my hand and lead me'** was sung.



The morning guest speaker was John van Ruth, Chief Executive Officer for Lutheran Disability Services. He told the gathering of his background as the youngest of eleven children and migrated to Australia from Holland, and of his mother who was a Christian witness to many people.

The world will say disability is a disability in the community. In Christ's view disability is normal as a part of the broken sinful world in which we live. How then do we work this through with the world in addressing this broken stormy situation? The role at Lutheran Disability Services is working with clients to enable them to live in houses with support staff. What are the values? Not all clients are Lutheran or even Christians. Encouragement is given to the clients to serve and help one another. This is God's love in action. There are currently 84 clients living in homes in different locations in the metropolitan area, the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa Valley. These people are like family and learn to become independent with help from support of staff which are funded by the Government.

How do we see **"Storms of Life"**? The non-verbal client has a way of sharing love to others. Life is sometimes 'messy', but God is still present. This service tries to connect clients with congregations and other Christian Communities. This has resulted in some clients having come to the Christian faith. At times, clients do not have any family support. Lutheran Disability Services works closely with other services like NDIS. **Lutheran Disability Services** is located at the Wellington Centre, 2 Portrush Road, Payneham, SA. (Corner Portrush Road and Payneham Road). Phone: (08) 8212 7766. The Lutheran Women of SA-NT has this service as one of its projects.



During the lunch break there was plenty to see at the displays in the hall and to purchase some items from the Lobethal Christian Book Centre. The opportunity was also there to support the Community Care Program of the Glenelg congregation by making a purchase at the well-displayed and stocked Op Shop at the adjacent building.

Pamela Camp, Manager, Lobethal Christian Book Centre

The afternoon session began with the Immanuel College Year 9 Music students playing for the singing of the song **'Here I am to worship'** and an opening devotion during which two ladies from the Glenelg congregation shared how they walked through many 'storms' in their life and how they overcame these storms. The song **'Lead me to the cross'** was sung. Pastor Tim led a prayer of thanksgiving for the total of \$8,672.00 received for the offering. From this, \$1,000.00 was given to the Glenelg Community Care Program and the remainder divided between Lutheran Disability Services and Lutheran Media. The Music students concluded with the song **'Can't Stop Singing'**.

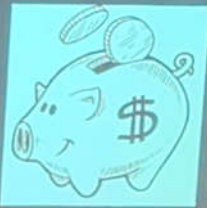


The first spot speaker was Grace Bock from the **Editorial Committee** for the **Lutheran Women Magazine**. She explained that the cost to print and send each single issue of the magazine amounts to \$3.67 per issue. At six issues per year, this amounts to \$22.02. This means that to break even, subscriptions should be at least this amount per annum but subscribers are only paying \$14.00 per annum.



Bang for your buck!

- You get six copies per year
- Bible Studies and Devotions for each month
- Project updates
- News, stories and information
- Tools for Conventions



So you can see that we are receiving a very worthwhile good value magazine.

Advice to remember:

Make sure that you use the list sent to you/your group. Get the details of each subscriber right. Do not re-write the list, just follow the instructions that come with it. Get your subscription list and payment in on time, ie, by the end of December. Details to subscribe are printed in each issue inside of the back cover.

The next spot speakers spoke about the work of **Lutheran Media** and here is a summary.

“Thank you for all of your prayers and support! Because of your support, millions of people are being reached with the good news of Jesus Christ and his message of hope. Many people are struggling through the storms of life. One in three people are lonely, many struggle with mental health issues, and, with rising cost of living expenses and homelessness, it is easy to see why so many people despair and need hope.



At your **Lutheran Media – Messages of Hope**, we receive responses from many people living in those situations who hear Messages of Hope (30 second, 1 minute or 15 minute segments) on their radio, on social media (images and videos), or through the encouragement from a friend.

From left to right: Pastor Richard Fox, Jo Chamberlain, Clare Allen, Kathy Heavyside, Jodi Brook and Sarah Wiltshire

Haylee saw a video on Dementia and commented:

‘This reminds me so much of my great grandparents married 79 years. My great grandmother had Parkinson’s and Dementia and my great grandfather stood by her side until he passed from COVID. She just passed December 26th 2022. God rest their soles. Love them so much.’

You can watch the video and read Haylee’s comment at www.messagesofhope.org.au/dementia.

Thanks to your kindness and your vital support, Messages of Hope is on more than 1,200 radio stations including many in South Australia and Northern Territory such as SEN, 1079Life, Riverland Life FM, FlowFM, 5RPH, LimeFM, BBB, and many more on the Vision network. You can see the radio stations playing Messages of Hope at www.messagesofhope.org.au/broadcast-stations.

Lutheran Media is currently reviewing www.happyland.com.au which has over 50,000 players to see where to next for this vital outreach mission. HopeKids maybe a possibility?

Please head to www.lutheranmedia.org.au for outreach resources such as booklets, DVDs and greeting cards. You’ll also discover links to online worship and the calendar (including the photo competition). Please also welcome Clare Allen to Lutheran Media. Clare is walking with supporters along with helping in sharing messages of hope. You can email Clare at clare.allen@lca.org.au or call her work mobile on 0435 335 162.



Thanks again for your vital support as together we reach out to millions of people with Jesus' message of hope. Thanks and God bless you all."

Pastor Richard Fox

Director of Lutheran Media

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www.messagesofhope.org.au

www.messagesofhope.org.nz

www.happyland.com.au

www.lutheranmedia.org.au

PS: Since the gathering in Glenelg, Pastor Richard has accepted a call to Zion Lutheran Church, Glynde, so he will see you next year when you gather there 😊. He still plans on supporting Lutheran Media and his voice may be on radio for a while yet. Please keep the team in your prayers and for God to raise up his replacement.

The next spot speaker was Erin Kerber who spoke on behalf of LCA International Missions. She had recently returned from having made a visit to Indonesia. There are many mission places that are supported through the donations from Lutheran Women of Australia.

As a break in proceedings, the gathering stood and sang the song 'On eagle's wings'.



Information from Lutheran Laypeople's League was presented by the Events Coordinator & Administrator Shari Savio. The LLL is unique as it is Australia's only 'philanthropic' bank. The mission of the LLL is to provide support to the Lutheran Church of Australia through business and financial help. The LLL was founded in 1921 for the specific purpose of providing resources to the church.

The final spot speaker, Julie Krause, presented from Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS): **SHELTER FROM THE STORM...**

Storms can be wondrous. Amazing displays of God's mighty power. Storms can also be frightening. Devastating. Life threatening. Life changing. And 'storms' can be a picture of what lives can look like when they feel out of control. Unsafe.

There are many difficult and disastrous situations in our world, but what we see at ALWS is that **the size of the challenges are matched by the size of the kindness of people like you!** I'm here to say a huge thank you for how you have already been shining your light into many dark and stormy places.

Like your huge kindness and response to the horrors facing the people in Ukraine. You have been meeting people as they fled for safety, women and children, as the men between 18-60 had to stay behind and fight . . . doing the hands-on-grunge work [as so many of you do in your everyday lives] – cooking, washing dishes, feeding, hosting families . . . Volunteers [people like you] packing supplies, speaking kind words or giving smiles . . . and just like the people in Poland who are welcoming and assisting the many mothers and children who have fled Ukraine, you see them 'as guests and not refugees'.



It is many of your brothers and sisters in Christ in the Lutheran and Christian churches there who offer Polish classes to help integrate and find new opportunities for them in Polish society. The classes are supported by the Lutheran World Federation (LWF).

Through LWF you are also offering courses in skills such as manicure techniques to enable women to find some work to support themselves and their children or elderly relatives. Art therapy classes for children who have experienced trauma are part of the psychosocial support you provide. Bringing hope and healing . . . light in the dark.



And then of course, there were the horrors of the earthquake in Turkiye and Syria. First of all, you were there on the front line offering basic needs such as hygiene supplies, water, food, tarps for shelter, counselling. But now you are still there offering the practical help of finding apartments to rent while homes and lives are being repaired.

"In the coming weeks and months, LWF will focus on shelter maintenance and rehabilitation, renovating schools and educational facilities and psychological and psychosocial support," said Khamees.

School is one of the most effective ways to help children recover from trauma, as they see life can be 'normal' again. Children learn. Have fun. Make friends. Play.

Again, as the storms of conflict break out in Sudan, you are there welcoming the traumatised and frightened as they cross borders into neighbouring countries. Not always on the news . . . but there nevertheless, doing the needed work and bringing love to life, not only in disaster zones, but also in the forgotten ordinary lives of families who struggle to feed their children or obtain medical help when needed. You are there - whether it is in one of the poorest countries in the world like Burundi or amongst the Dalits of Nepal or giving dignity to the many who live with disability – you are there – training, skilling, teaching, empowering, bringing sunshine into the storms. Thank you!

Isaiah 32:2 "Each one will be like a shelter from the wind and a refuge from the storm, like streams of water in the desert and the shadow of a great rock in a thirsty land."

Julie Krause

Throughout the business sessions of the day reports were given as printed in the March 2023 edition of the Tidings Newsletter. Greetings on behalf of Lutheran Women Australia were given by Maureen Turner (Vice-President) and Val Schild (Secretary).

Left to right: Val Schild and Maureen Turner



Joan Schiller (retiring Secretary) and Ruth Kaesler (retiring Treasurer)

President Josie Hunt thanked retiring Executive members Joan Schiller (9 years, last 6 as Secretary), Ruth Kaesler (8 years, last 6 as Treasurer) and Pam Oster (1 year) for their services to Lutheran Women. Pastor Mark Welke was thanked for his service as the Spiritual Counsellor for the last few years.

The elected LWSA-NT Executive: Josie Hunt, President; Debbie Borgas, First Vice-President; Lynette Pech, Second Vice-President; Chris Kuchel, Secretary; Dagmar Preusker, Assistant Secretary; Faye Jenke, Treasurer; Additional Members Di Schlenk, Merrilyn Koch and Margaret Sallis. Pastor Keith McNicol is the Spiritual Counsellor. Joan Schiller will continue as the Editor of the *Tidings Newsletter*.

The offering for the day amounted to \$8,673.00 (more received later) of which a \$1,000.00 will be given to the Glenelg Community Care Program and the remainder divided between Lutheran Disability Services and Lutheran Media. The attendance was 133 for the day.

An invitation was received and accepted to hold the 2024 Convention on Saturday 18th May at Zion Lutheran Church Glynde.



From left to right:
Josie Hunt, Chris Kuchel, Dagmar Preusker, Merrilyn Koch, Debbie Borgas, Faye Jenke, Margaret Sallis and Lynette Pech.
Absent: Di Schlenk and Pastor Keith McNicol.



The closing worship was led by Pastor Tim Ebbs who based his message on Matthew 7:24-27. The wise man builds his house on a rock for stability and security but if the foolish person builds it on the sand then when a storm comes with heavy rain and strong winds the house will fall. The light coming from a lighthouse is very helpful and important to guide the ships at night.

Pastor Stephen Schultz conducted the installation of the new Executive Committee. The closing song '**May the Lord bless and keep you**' was a lovely blessing to end a day of great fellowship.

Submitted by Joan Schiller with two contributions included.

Convention in pictures



Artwork by Immanuel College Students depicting the theme of the Convention



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Participants enjoying a cuppa and a chat.



Checking the bargains at the Op Shop.

The President checking the next item on the Agenda



A view of the gathering from the gallery





Profiles for new LWSA-NT Executive Committee members

Assistant Secretary

I live in the Barossa town of Angaston with my husband John (44 years). We have two adult children, a daughter Kristina and a son Klaus, and 3 grandchildren. I am a retired teacher and formerly a farmer's wife. We worship at St Petri Lutheran Church Nuriootpa. Since retirement I have become interested and involved in Women's Fellowship at St Petri where I am now the Chairperson of the Women's Fellowship. I am also the Barossa Zone Coordinator. For my hobby, I am a mad keen quilter.
Dagmar Preusker

Additional Member

I live in the north eastern suburbs of Adelaide with my 22 year old son, Ahren (an apprentice carpenter), and work part-time as a pharmacy assistant, delivering medications to nursing homes and within the community. I worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Para Vista, where I am involved in a range of activities including small group, data projection, visual arts, Kids program and worship leading.

Prior to relocating to Adelaide in 2020 I lived in country Victoria for 10 years and was very involved in the Lutheran Women of Victoria Retreat Program - planning and presenting a series of study retreat days and weekends around the state. Since relinquishing that role I have been asking God to show me how and where he wants to use me. I was recently invited to join the Upper North Zone retreat committee, and I am now looking forward to the opportunity to contribute to LWSA-NT.

I am excited to see women come together to form meaningful connections sharing their faith stories and encouraging one another in living out their calling as God's dearly loved daughters.
*Your sister in Christ,
Merrilyn Koch*

Additional Member

I worked at Lutheran Publishing House/Openbook Publishers for 28 years in various Administrative roles. I have been married to Roger for 26 years.

I am a member of Salisbury Lutheran Church and have been a member of the Women's Fellowship for 21 years. Currently, I am the Secretary of the fellowship and have held the position for 5 years. I attend the fellowship days of our Zone, Conventions both state and national whenever I am able and enjoy the fellowship with fellow members, Bible studies and the interesting speakers. I am also involved with other behind the scene activities within the church and fellowship.

I look forward to serving you as part of the Executive Committee.
Margaret Sallis

Projects for 2023

LWSA-NT

Adelaide Deaf Community Church
Alice Springs Aboriginal Women's Support Worker
Alice Springs Town Ministry
Blueprint Ministries (Children and Families, Youth and Young Adults)
Lutheran Aged Care: Fullarton, Glynde, Riverview, Tanunda
Lutheran Care - Includes Emergency Relief, Christmas Hampers,
Lutheran Disability Services
Lutheran Media
Lutheran Secondary Education
Encouragement Award

LWA

(Determined by the LWA Council meeting held June 2021)
Aboriginal Missions:
Aboriginal Ministry SA
Finke River Mission
Far North QLD Aboriginal Mission
Australian Lutheran College - Pastoral Ministry Students Assistance Fund
Australian Lutheran College Women's Auxiliary
Australian Lutheran World Service
Indonesia - Lutheran Study
Malaysia - Women's Care and Counselling Centre
Myanmar - Women's Ministry
Papua New Guinea - Wok Meri Trening Skuls
Support for students from overseas to study through Australian Lutheran College
Thailand - Home of Grace
Thailand - Home of Praise

Riverland Zone Retreat

The Riverland Zone of the LWSA-NT Annual Retreat was held at the Murbko Lutheran Church and hall on the 14th March, 2023.



The theme for the day was 'Her place in HIStory – HIS place in Her stories'. The theme highlighted how women of faith used their talents in His service.

Pastor Peter Traeger opened with a devotion and talked about the women who influenced him in his life.

We studied Katharine Luther, an amazingly strong Christian woman and sang Hymn LHS 195 – "A Mighty fortress is our God".

Charlotte Elliott was a hymn writer who wrote the words for "Just as I am" and "Thy will be done". We sang the Hymn LHS 335 – "Just as I am without one plea".

We learnt about the "Etona" paddle steamer – A Church of England Mission boat on the River Murray. This boat would have steamed past the Murbko church many times. We sang Hymn LHS 442 – "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation".

We enjoyed a cuppa and fellowship in the sunshine and feasted on local fruit and produce. It was a privilege to welcome Meredith Resce

who is an author of Christian Fiction and Historical Romance.

Meredith started writing in 1991 and has published 24 books. Meredith is a great storyteller. She touched on how stories are passed down through the generations and how she enjoyed listening to her grandmother telling stories.



Frieda Strehlow, wife of Carl, worked with him at the Hermannsburg mission with the Western Arrarnta people. She was a skilled seamstress and taught Aboriginal ladies to sew and how to care for their babies. We sang Hymn LHS 487 – "Wake, awake, for night is flying" in her memory.

Ella Footner was born in Renmark and worked with a desert tribe as a nurse at Ooldea Tank, around 200 km north west of Ceduna, Yalata and Koonibba Lutheran Mission. We were pleased to welcome her youngest daughter Christa who joined us on the day. We sang LHS 426 – "What a friend we have in Jesus".

Queen Elizabeth II showed her faith in her Christmas messages. For her funeral, she picked the hymns, readings and prayers showing her faith and trust in Jesus. Our closing song was Hymn LHS 577 – "God save our gracious King".



Display of Katherine Luther, Ella Footner and "Etona" Paddle Steamer and accompanying books

Albert Noll a descendant of the pioneers at Murbko had beautifully carved woodwork for sale with proceeds going to ALWS. Albert was very knowledgeable about the history of the church and Murbko.

It was a great joy and privilege to learn more about these women of faith.

Submitted by Andrea Kalisch

Biggest Morning Tea

Immanuel Lutheran Church, North Adelaide Women's Fellowship held a Biggest Morning Tea to help the Cancer Society raise monies for those impacted by cancer. It was held in our church hall on 10th May, 2023.

We sent out notices to lots of our northern and city churches as well as the Lutheran Offices in Archer Street inviting them to participate. We asked our friends and neighbours. In total we had more than 70 persons present and they were generous in their presence and buying a ticket for \$10.00 which included an incredible spread provided by members of our Fellowship and friends. A total of over \$1,700.00 was raised on the day.



The prizes for the event were sourced by our President, Christa Dahms and Secretary, Pam Griffiths.

Everyone had a wonderful time and the responses were very positive. A big thank you to Christa for thinking of this. This was a mammoth task as there was only about six weeks to organise it.

We thought it would be a great way to spread fellowship with people of all different back grounds as well as other church people.

Submitted by Pam Griffiths

Lutheran Care

The Op Shops are doing well. More volunteers are needed so that the shops can remain open all day. You are welcome to volunteer your time, even for just a half day.

At this time of the year, good and clean donations of winter clothes is needed. Plain colour beanies and scarves are also welcomed donations. Rugs and quilts are always needed especially during the winter months.

Non-perishable food donations are to be delivered directly to the front office and clothing and other items to the front door of the shop.

Keep sewing the cloth bags for Lutheran Care to use at the Op Shops and for Emergency Relief hand-outs. Suitable material can be obtained from the sorting area behind the Op Shop at Blair Athol.

The ideal size for Op Shop bags is 53 cm (21 in) long x 46 cm (18 in) wide with 46 cm (18 in) length handles sewn on similar to a shopping bag. Bags used for Emergency Relief hand-outs need to be made in a similar size, but from stronger material as food parcels are heavier. Sew the corners to make a box shape at the bottom of the bag. Small cloth bags are also good for putting in any jewellery purchases.

Keep sewing and may your work be a blessing to many.

Honey Biscuits

Thank you to all the people who are prepared to make Honey Biscuits. Included with the bags is a series of stickers listing the ingredients which needs to be stuck onto the bags. The Honey Biscuits can be iced, or you can make them special with long sprinkles, choc bits or cherries. Please do **NOT** use hard cachous, 100's and 1,000's, or toppings



that can get stuck between teeth, or under mouth plates. **Please: NO NUTS.**

Pack 125 grams [4 oz.] of biscuits into each bag. Close the bag with curling ribbon, and you may attach a Christmas tract/small card, telling the recipient which Fellowship has prepared the packet.

This year the completed Honey Biscuit packets can be left at either

**Lutheran Care,
309 Prospect Road, Blair Athol, SA.**

Office hours:

Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

PLEASE deliver them to the Office.

OR

**At the home of
Mrs Joan Schiller,
28 Kalimna Road, Nuriootpa, SA.**

(Please phone 0439 481 510 before making the delivery to this address.)

PLEASE pack completed Honey Biscuit packets in boxes and clearly write on the outside of each box the number of packets that the box contains. Seal the boxes and deliver them by Thursday 30th November, 2023.

Thanks to you all – your help is much appreciated.



NOTICES

Birthing Kits

Due to the overwhelming love and generosity of Lutheran women in the preparation of birthing kits for Papua New Guinea, we find ourselves with an oversupply at the present time. In order for us to catch up with distribution of birthing kits in PNG, we are asking for a six month pause on the making of additional kits. By all means, please send in those you have already prepared and they will be shipped with our next load, but we are suggesting that no more kits be made until August 2023. In the meantime, if you would like to contribute to the cost of shipping you are most welcome to make a donation to LCA International Mission for this purpose.

I give thanks to God for the incredible support and generosity of Lutheran Women as you partner with us for the sake of the gospel.


God bless you all. *Pastor Matt Anker*



PLEASE send monetary contributions for shipping costs to the LWSA-NT Treasurer who will forward donations to LCA International Missions.



Notes from your LWSA-NT Treasurer

- * Please make **ALL** cheques payable **ONLY** to LWSA-NT. **They must NOT be written to the projects you are supporting.** 
- * Payments can be made by Internet Banking to **Lutheran Women of SA-NT LLL Account.**
LWSA-NT Bank Details:
BSB: 704 942
Account Number: 100944302
Account Name: LWSA
If transferring funds from an LLL Account use
Account Number: 21071S1
Reference:
Name of Guild/Fellowship and Town
Details of the projects you are supporting need to be sent to me either by email or by posting the remittance slip.
- * Donations towards Hampers for Lutheran Care and ALWS funds can also be sent to the LWSA-NT treasurer, BUT such monetary donations **MUST STILL** be made payable **ONLY** to LWSA-NT.

Faye Jenke Mobile: 0429 175 453
Box 175, SEDAN, SA 5353
Email:
treasurer.lwsant@lutheranwomenofaustralia.org


DIARY DATES



2023 Zone Days

- * **Upper North Fellowship Day** - Thursday 6th July at St James Lutheran Church, WHYALLA, SA.
Theme: 'With Dignity and Care'
Guest Speakers: Amy Quist - 'Heartfelt' and Ali Zimmermann - 'Dignity Bags'
- * **South East Rally** - Wednesday 2nd August at St Paul's Lutheran Church, KEITH, SA
- * **Metropolitan North Fellowship Day** - Thursday 17th August at "The Ark" Lutheran Church, 10 Waterloo Corner Road, SALISBURY, SA.

Theme: 'Let each generation tell its children of your mighty acts; let them proclaim your power'. Psalm 145:4
Guest Speakers: Mark Underwood - Pastoral Care Worker at Lake Windermere School; Sandy Davis - Lutheran Care; and Jeanette Mann - Blueprint Ministries. Bring your own lunch. Soup, tea and coffee provided.

- * **Lower Murray Fellowship Day** - Tuesday 29th August at St John's Lutheran Church LAMEROO, SA.
Theme: 'Reaching Out'.
9:30 am start.
- * **Riverland Rally** - Wednesday 6th September at St Peters Lutheran Church, LOXTON, SA.
- * **Barossa Fellowship Day** - Friday 15th September at Immanuel Lutheran Church, GAWLER, SA. 
Theme: 'The Fruit of Love'.
9:00 am Registration.
9:15 am Worship Service.
BYO Lunch Tea & Coffee supplied.
- * **Adelaide Hills Fellowship Day** - Thursday 21st September at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, BIRDWOOD, SA.

2023 LWSA-NT Retreat

Saturday 21st to Sunday 22nd October at St Mark's Lutheran Church, Mount Barker, SA.

Theme:
"Beside Still Waters"
with Psalm 23 as a base for the theme.



Retreat Leader: Karen Pietsch
Guest Speakers: Emma Graetz and Andy Traeger
Registration: 8:30 am Saturday.
Close: 2:00 pm Sunday.

Total cost: \$60.00 - payable on arrival.
Includes hire of the venue, refreshments on arrival, during breaks and supper on Saturday night, midday lunch and BBQ evening meal on Saturday, community lunch on Sunday.

Please complete an enrolment form and return to Margaret Reimann by Friday 30th September, 2023.

Accommodation: Organise your own accommodation or ask for billeting option.
N.B. If billeting is required please advise by Friday 30th September so hosts can link you with a billet. **Contact:** Val Schild
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LWSA-NT CONVENTION

Saturday 18th May 2024
Zion Lutheran Church,
GLNDE, SA



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Tuesday 1st - Thursday 3rd October, 2024 at
Unity College, Murray
Bridge, SA.



Changes: Address Details

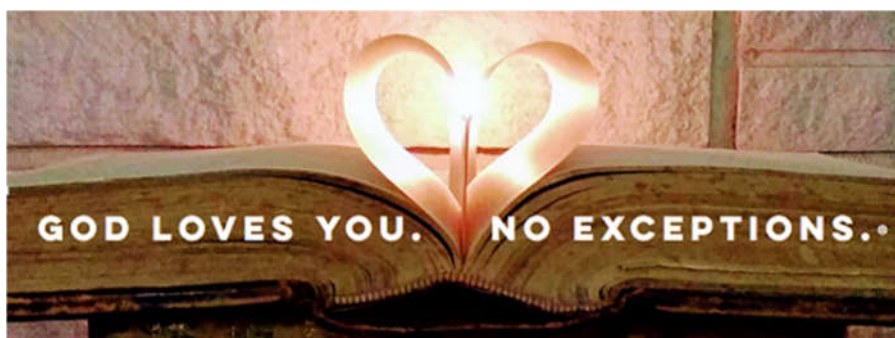
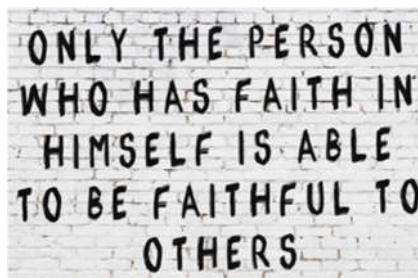


While address details have been checked against the 2023 Statistics Forms that I have received please see that your details are correct. If corrections need to be made, please let me know.
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