

Bethlehem

LUTHERAN CHURCH **MORLEY**

29 Robinson Rd, Morley

October 11th, 2020

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

We pray God's joy and comfort will be yours this day as you receive God's blessing in worship. If you would like to talk further concerning faith in Christ or about the Church, please speak with our Pastor or one of our members. Visitors are warmly invited to get to know us a little further after the service and to sign our visitors book. Unfortunately due to COVID-19 we are not serving morning tea at present.

Worship

Sundays 9:30am

Sunday School - **2:30pm**

Saturday 17th Oct

Contact Details

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where love comes to life

Our Mission

Being fed with the grace of the Triune God through His Word and Sacraments, Bethlehem Lutheran Church is called to share this Bread of Life with our community.

Entry Psalm: Psalm 23

Scripture Readings:

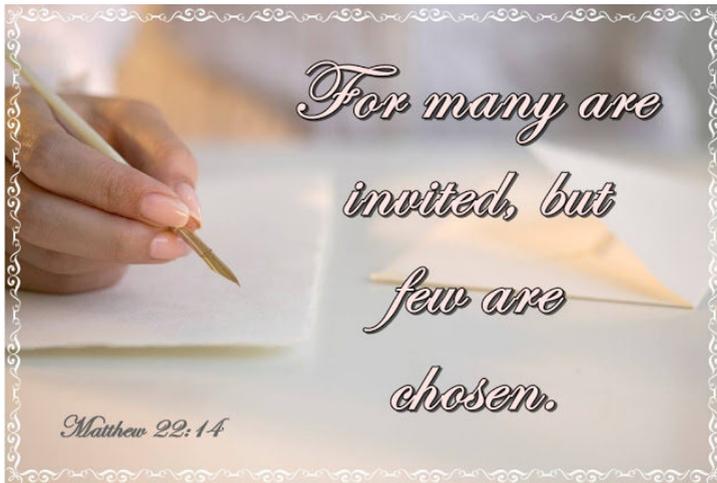
Isaiah 25:1-9	God swallows up death in the feast of victory
Philippians 4:1-9	Rejoice in the Lord always
Matthew 22:1-14	The parable of the wedding feast

Prayer of the Day

Merciful Lord, give pardon and peace to your faithful people. Cleanse us from all our sins, so that we may serve you with minds set at rest. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer Points

- Praise that our Lord generously calls to us his eternal banquet (Matthew 22:9)
- That we not give up issuing the invitation in his name, and that we never think it doesn't matter how we present ourselves to God (Matthew 22:9-14)
- Thanksgiving that the Lord is near and promises through prayer to replace anxiety with the peace of God that transcends all understanding (Phil 4:6-7)
- Trust in Jesus prayerful intercession for us (Exodus 33:12-23 / Romans 8:34)
- That we would focus on the things of God that he promises will bring peace (Phil 4:8-9)
- That God's will be done by all in government and positions of authority (1 Tim 2:1-6)
- For YouthCARE and its work in our community (Phil 1:3-5)
- God's comfort, support and grace for all who face sickness, pain, hardship, suffering, or danger (Psalm 23)
- Wisdom and guidance for Bethlehem Lutheran Church Morley Council as it meets this Wednesday night from 7pm (Ecclesiastes 3:9-11)



Please remember in your prayers

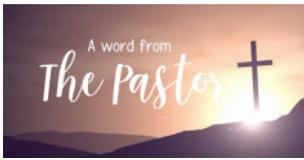
Jesus, be with the people of Victoria as they struggle with strict lock-down measures. We pray that these measures will help bring an end to the suffering of many. Bring comfort and relief to all those who are struggling with sudden changes to their lives, and protect all essential service workers. Lord, we pray for the families of all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones. Envelope them in your love, and draw them close to you in their pain and loss. Help officials to locate and contain the outbreak, and restore health to those afflicted with coronavirus. Protect all the members and friends of the LCA Victorian district across its many parishes, schools and homes. Sustain Bishop Lester, all pastors, teachers and layworkers. This we pray in your name, for you are merciful and loving. Amen.

Ill or healing members and friends

- Tristram & Helga Van Rooyen, Anneliese Sitarz, Carmen Lawson, Roslyn Zadow, Johanna Videmanis, Elfie Heller and Peter Hueppauff. Geraldton member, Bill Boys.

Members and friends facing challenging circumstances

- The Zadow Family, the Dube Family and Eric and Shirley Schmidt



"We always ought to do our best for Jesus..." Today we continue with the teaching of Jesus from the last week of his life. It's serious stuff. We have come to the parable of the wedding banquet (Matthew 22:

1-14). We'll go through that. Yet I will especially spend a little bit of time on it's ending. There we have the strange story of the man who gets in, but then kicked out for not wearing the wedding garment. From what I can see that's a warning to Christians. As someone said to me about this text "We always ought to do our best for Jesus". I know we love grace. And I know God is grace. But part of God's grace is that he warns us from falling away. And so I invite you to receive his teaching here as the gift by which it is meant, and to address in your lives those areas where God's way is not directing your way. What sort of clothes are you wearing to the wedding banquet?

Discipleship: first session from 4pm to 5:30pm this Wednesday night 14 October.

Zoom Bible study on next week - Monday 12 October (Wednesday night, the usual time, is church council). See or email pastor to be added to the email group receiving the link

Scripture Readings

Oct 12th Luke 2:22-52
Oct 13th Luke 3:1-22
Oct 14th Luke 3:23-4:13
Oct 15th Luke 4:14-44
Oct 16th Luke 5:1-6:16
Oct 17th Luke 6:17-49
Oct 18th Luke 7:1-35



Oct 19th Luke 7:36-8:3
Oct 20th Luke 8:4-21
Oct 21st Luke 8:22-56
Oct 22nd Luke 9:1-50
Oct 23rd Luke 9:51-10:24
Oct 24th Luke 10:25-42
Oct 25th Luke 11:1-36

LWWA Fellowship Day 2020

Theme: We Are Women Serving Christ!

Matthew 28:10a

Where: Rockingham-Mandurah Lutheran Church
52 Swallowtail Parade, Warnbro

When: Saturday 31st October ☀ 9:30am to 4:30pm

Registration from 8:30am

Lunch: Covid safe lunch will be provided
Your love offering to cover costs

Please Bring: BIBLE, pen, paper and a friend
and your OWN CUP for a cuppa



What's Happening:

- ❖ Guest Speaker – Pastor Matthew Bishop. Topic: Katie Luther
- ❖ Bible Study lead by Pastor Glenn Crouch
- ❖ Worship and Holy Communion
- ❖ Games, Music, Skits and Prayer
- ❖ Fellowship and sharing
- ❖ Live streaming of Bible study and guest speaker presentation for those who can't attend

COME ALONG AND BE BLESSED AS WE CELEBRATE REFORMATION DAY TOGETHER

*For more information or to register, contact
Karen Crouch, text or call: 0407 932 133
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Update from the Treasurer

OFFERINGS	Actual	Budget	Variance
September	\$9,694	\$9,769	-\$75
Year to Date	\$30,404	\$30,000	\$404

Sharing her talents... Mrs Helga Svensson has generously donated a painting for the congregation to sell and apply the proceeds to a special project of church council's choice. Council agreed that we would support the *Ubuo Training and Literacy Centre* building project that Hanna Schulz is steering in order to support her work as Bible translator in the remote Gulf Province of PNG. This will be through a silent auction and run over six weeks, until Oct 25th. Thanks to Helga for the gift. And thanks to everyone who supports the fundraiser for Hanna's work. Psalm 118: **Only 2 more weeks left to get your bid in!**



Call Information

Pastor Matt is currently holding the call to become the pastor of the St Paul Blair Athol congregation. Please keep Pastor Matt and family in your prayers as he considers this call along with his standing call to our congregation here at Bethlehem Morley. Please also pray for both congregations and their respective LCA districts that God's will be done.



The Marriage of the King's Son

Find the wedding gown you need wear to attend the Prince's wedding.

Matthew 22:1-14



Jesus said that the Kingdom of Heaven is like a king who gave a marriage feast for his son. He invited many guests who then refused to come. So he sent his servants out into bring in as many people as they could find from the streets. One man arrived without special wedding clothes and the king threw him out

[LCA Ordination Service 2020](#)

This year's Ordination Service will take place at 2.00 pm on Sunday, 6 December at Concordia College, Highgate, South Australia. Entry will be by ticketed invitation only due to COVID restrictions.

Support our pastoral candidates and celebrate with the whole church by watching the service as it is livestreamed. **Join us on Sunday, 6 December at 2pm (ACST) at <https://livestream.com/luthworship/>**

Special prayer concerning Covid-19.

Heavenly Father, bring healing and comfort for people around the world suffering from Coronavirus COVID-19. Speed their recovery and slow the spread of the virus. We thank you for the efforts of all those involved in treating, testing and caring for patients, and ask your protection over them as they go about their work. Bless with success those searching for vaccine and protect those involved in vaccine trials. Give wisdom to governments around the world as they respond to this outbreak. We ask for your peace when we are tempted to panic or become anxious about this disease. Help us to place our trust in you, knowing that our life is safely hidden in you and that you are the Lord of all creation. Enable us to show your love to others, sharing the hope we have in you and what you have first given us, praying and caring for the sick and needy as best we can in the name of Christ. Amen.

Visit us on the web at: morley.wa.lca.org.au

Bookings: email us at bookings.morley.wa@lca.org.au

COMING UP OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

Sunday Oct 11th	9:30am Worship Service with Lord's Supper
Wednesday Oct 14th	7:00pm Church Council meeting
Saturday Oct 17th	2:30pm Sunday School
Sunday Oct 18th	9:30am Worship Service with Lord's Supper

WORSHIP SERVICE - 18th October

Flowers: Elfie

Cleaners: Bishop Family

All items for the 'Bethlehem Bulletin', please email to Lorraine (bulletin.morley.wa@lca.org.au) by Wednesday afternoon.