



NEWSLETTER

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 2025

If you are visiting today, welcome!
Please join us after service for a cuppa in the hall.

Be joyful
in hope
Be patient
in affliction
Be constant
in prayer
Romans 12:12

DIARY DATES

- October 5: Service 9.30 a.m.
- October 9: Bible Study
- October 12: Service 9.30 a.m.
- October 19: Service 9.30 a.m. H.C with Pastor Ray Pace.
- October 23: Bible Study
- October 26: Service 9.30 a.m.

Lutheran Media – Messages of Hope

Lutheran Media ministry mission for the last 80 years has been to “remain steadfast in faith and ensure that the next generation knows the love and grace of Jesus”. Lutheran Media produce various media including calendars, booklets, videos & Christian content on social media. They are asking for financial help. We will support Lutheran Media as our *Christmas Appeal* this year.

More info or to donate go to: lutheranmedia.org.au

Manse maintenance 🏠 / Help needed

Whilst the Manse is unoccupied we will be undertaking some maintenance. There is indoor cleaning, gardening, outdoor washing of walls, windows, etc., and other jobs to be done, to tidy up the manse before our new Pastor arrives.

Could you help? Please see Glenn Bruggeman.

Whilst we are talking about helping – we need a **Social Convenor**

just to organise Congregational get-togethers and social events. Please consider if you could take on this role.

🌲 ADVENT BBQ and CAROLS EVENING*

Good Shepherd congregation has invited us to share a BBQ meal with them for Advent. They have asked that we bring Sweets for everyone. Engage Youth will also be involved in this event.

Date: 30 November **Time:** 5.30pm

If you are attending please place your name on the Attendance Sheet which will be available in November.

ROSTER FOR 2026

It's time for this huge task to be completed again for 2026. Please let Dawn, Tracey or Julie know if there is a task you could help with, or a task you are unable to do anymore.

❤️ A very special birthday to celebrate:

Elva Deme will be turning 90 and wants you to join in a musical celebration on Sunday 9th November in the Redeemer Church Hall, from 2 p.m. Please place your name on the list in the foyer.

Church cleaning / Leaving for “Cuppa” duty

Just a note to say as the church is only used once a week, a vacuum is mostly only needed once a month, and then just spot cleaning. Generally, it isn't necessary to leave the church before announcements if you are on “Cuppa”.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING OUR CHURCH!

Sound Desk replacement in Church.

Church Council has arranged to have a new Sound Desk installed in the Church which will be more compatible and user friendly with the Live Streaming computer. The old desk is 30+ years old!

Hage's address in Wodonga: 5 Cattanach Way, Leneva, Victoria, 3691

Who is 'one another'? by Jo Corney

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another (John 13:34).

Read [John 13:31-35](#)

Love is a blessing in day-to-day life. It's experienced in various forms. The love we consider in this devotion is the love of Jesus towards us that we then offer to one another.

As I write this devotion, I've found it helpful to be reminded of the 'new commandment' Jesus gave. It has led me to contemplate the kind of love he was referring to – the love of Jesus, which we as Christians know through our relationship with him. From this relationship, we are called to show and give that same love to others.

The words of Jesus in this reading prompt our actions and responses in this love – see the phrases '... should love one another ... have love for one another'. This is the living and holding of love towards others, specific to the love of Jesus for humankind.

We know that the commandment to love was not new – it is mentioned throughout the Bible. The greatest commandment is to love God, and the next is to love our neighbour. But then we have this commandment of Jesus – 'a new commandment'. It is not just about love, but loving as Jesus loved.

Limiting myself to my own resources, I feel overwhelmed by this commandment. I am also aware of my human frailty, tendency to make mistakes, misjudge and get tired (and all that goes with that). Given this, how do I participate with integrity in 'loving one another'?

John 13 shows the scene in the upper room where human frailty abounded, but also profoundly present is the love of Jesus, who predicted betrayal and disbelief among his disciples but washed their feet anyway. Giving grace, respect, care, dignity, honour, acceptance and welcome were attitudes in Jesus' love in action to these people. Offering these in our behaviour to others is part of how we love one another as Jesus has loved us.

Loving others as Jesus loves is not only about our giving of love to others, but also our receipt of this love from others as they offer this to us as 'another' loved. Indeed, our ongoing immersion in this love is through our relationship with the source: the Triune God. Every blessing to you.

Loving God, thank you for this experience of being loved and loving others, which has its endless resource in you. Please help us offer, accept and grow in this love that is from you. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

Jo is a wife and mum who serves in various roles in her local Lutheran church and also in chaplaincy as the assistant director of Chaplaincy and Ministry Development for Lutheran Services.

CHILDSAFE REMINDER: If children leave church during the service, they need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Just a reminder" the LCA Child Safety Standards books are available on the LCA

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Live Stream: Sunday Services are Live streamed on YouTube @RedeemerLutheranChurchTmba
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOhIiSSVetvBpjJSzG7g4FA>