



NEWSLETTER

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 2026

If you are visiting today, welcome!

Please join us after service for a cuppa in the hall.



DIARY DATES

- Sunday May 3: Service 9.30 a.m. Pastor Tomas Bohmert with HC.
- Sunday May 10: Service 9.30 a.m.
- Thursday May 14: Bible Study 10 a.m.
- Sunday May 17: Service 9.30 a.m.
- Thursday May 21: Church Council meeting 7.15 pm
- Pentecost Sunday May 24: Service 9.30 a.m.
- Thursday May 28: Bible Study 10 a.m.
- Sunday May 31: Service 9.30 a.m.

PASTOR STUART

Pastor Stuart will begin his service at Redeemer on Wednesday 22nd June 2026.

Pastor Stuart will be installed by Second Assistant bishop Pastor Luke Spilsbury on Sunday 28th June at 1.30 p.m.

MANSE IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE

There has been a great many hours spent at the manse by Church Council members (especially the Property committee of Glenn, Gary and Bruce) tidying the gardens and around the outside of the manse, cleaning inside, completing numerous little jobs, and the ongoing mowing and trimming in the yard. The contractors we used for the larger jobs have completed most of the tasks needed to be done, with just the windows to be cleaned and a few small touch ups. We have spent approximately \$17500.00 on the necessary upgrade and maintenance. Thank you so much to all of our volunteers. The manse is nearly ready for Pastor Stuart.

Working bee inside the church.

The inside of our church building needs some TLC – mainly dusting. Could you help please?

Dates are: Saturdays 30th May and 6th June.

Times to follow. For any info please see Bruce.

(We' ve already sorted and discarded unused items from the choir loft, toy area/cry room and the front foyer.) 😊

Missing from hall kitchen:

We are missing two square white plates – if anyone has seen them, please let us know.

Bible Gem

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul. Psalm 143:8

Underpinners of each other: service, obedience and generosity

by Jo Corney

Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else (2 Corinthians 9:13).

Read [2 Corinthians 9:1-15](#)

What comments do you find people make when they describe others? Sometimes it's about their height, age, hair colour; sometimes it's about a common connection; sometimes it's about their attitudes and actions, like their generosity or lack thereof.

In verse 13 of this passage, Paul tells the Corinthians about how their generosity has been noticed. Their service was generously given. It was sincere, met real needs and got the attention of others. This made them known and led to others praising God and paying attention to the gospel.

How encouraging! Our faithful service and giving, acts of kindness, and offering what we can where we can in our church or community matter. This is not about works to gain favour in God's eyes; however, these acts of service can be used by God to draw others to himself. We are not saved by our works, but these done in faith don't point to us but to him. Our generosity can reflect God's generosity to humankind. A quote attributed to Martin Luther is 'God doesn't need your good works, but your neighbour does'. This too prompts our service for the best and right reasons.

Fellow Christian, we won't see all that our faithful efforts and service contribute and offer to the world; however, in this verse of 2 Corinthians, we can be encouraged to continue offering them as we see what Paul highlighted of the outcomes of the services of the Corinthian believers. Paul called this out as worthy of highlighting – it has encouraged believers through the centuries to continue serving others, and can offer this to us also. Christian faith and love expressed in service and action are powerful witnesses in God's worldwide mission. I am encouraged to remember: 'Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.'

Every blessing to you.

Gracious and loving God, thank you for the encouragement of your word. Thank you for enabling us to serve in your mission in this world. As we know your grace and love, please help us live so that others may experience this from you, too. 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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