

LIVING IT

LOXTON LUTHERAN PARISH

January 18th, 2026

Revealing the HIDDEN

Isaiah 49:1-7

Today's Bible Readings – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Psalm Psalm 40:1-11

Old Testament Isaiah 49:1-7

New Testament 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel John 1:29-42



Loxton Lutheran Parish

St Peter's, LCA-Concordia,
Bookpurnong, Myrla, New Residence,
Moorook & Meribah Congregations

Welcome!

A warm welcome to all who are gathered today for worship – we're glad to have you with us today. If you have questions about Christianity or want to learn more about Jesus, please get in touch with a Pastor or usher. We're here to support you in any way we can!

If you need assistance at St Peter's, look for our ushers in purple lanyards - they're here to help you. To get in contact with us, you are invited to fill out a connect card and leave it at your seat. A baby change table and accessible toilet are in the Ministry Centre.

One Church, Many Doors

St Peter's, LCA-Concordia, Bookpurnong, Meribah, New Residence, Myrla, & Moorook Lutheran Congregations, along with Loxton Lutheran School and Riverview Rest Home, are currently exploring ways to partner in ministry as one Lutheran Community in our Loxton region.

Although Riverview comes under the umbrella of the SA-NT Lutheran Church of Australia District, it is deeply rooted in our Loxton Lutheran Community. Loxton Lutheran School is a vital part of our parish's mission and will continue to play an important role in our mission and ministry as we become one church with many doors.

This new way of being church not only opens many exciting opportunities but also promises to be a journey of discovering God's blessings as He breathes new life into our Lutheran Community.

The St Peter's "Living It" will serve as the basis of an interim church newsletter/bulletin for the congregations of the parish as we work toward creating a new newsletter for us all.

Don't forget the very important constitutional meeting happening on Sunday 22nd February, 2pm, about this in Peace Hall.

Prayer of the Day

Jesus Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Take away our sin and make us your holy people. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

In Our Prayers

- † Gavin Hunwick, Darrell Cubahiro, Stan Zimmermann, Caudis Koch, Glanys Schubert, Nev Thiele, Norm Doecke, Marlene Schultz, Ralene Gladigau, Marj Rudiger and Jenny Patching.
- † Those members in nursing homes in the area: Nita Awege, Betty Bradtke, Gloria Farley, Shirley Lipacis, Norma Ray, Ruth Schutz, Val Hampel, Jeff and Kay Westbrook, Pam Falting, Judy Pfeiffer, Shirley Pfeiffer, Coral Roberts, Clarry & Jan Wall.
- † The work that is underway to become one church with many doors with Bookpurnong, St Peter's, New Residence, Myrla, Moorook, LCA-Concordia & Meribah congregations, Loxton Lutheran School and Riverview Rest Home.
- † For the family and friends of William Hammerstein who died recently. Funeral to be held in St Peters on 23rd January, 10.30am.
- † Give thanks for the funding St Peter's has received from the Lutheran Church of Australia's Local Mission Fund for a "Community Connections" project in 2026.

Weekly Bible Readings

Sunday	John 1:29-42	Thursday	1 Peter 1:13-21
Monday	Genesis 22:1-2,9-18	Friday	1 Corinthians 1:1-9
Tuesday	Exodus 12:1-13,21-28	Saturday	Psalm 40:1-11
Wednesday	Isaiah 49:1-7		

Next Sunday's Bible Readings – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Psalm	Psalm 27:1,4-9
Old Testament	Isaiah 9:1-4
New Testament	1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Gospel	Matthew 4:12-23

Frequently Asked Questions

Holy Communion is an important aspect of our meeting together in worship. Jesus meets us in an intimate way, giving himself to us, his body and blood, in the bread and wine. It is a gift of grace where we receive forgiveness and are strengthened in our faith. We warmly invite those who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord to join us in this special meal when celebrated. Please speak to the Pastor if you are unsure or would like to learn more.

Children are very welcome at our worship centres, and we love to see them join in worshipping God with their gifts. At St Peter's worship centre, the "pray-ground" (front-left) is for younger families to be closer to the action and have more room to move. Colouring and activity sheets are also available for children in the dark green plastic tub.

The freewill money offering is part of our worship service, where we offer our thanks and trust to God. We respond to God's grace and acknowledge him as the giver of everything. The offering you give enables us to have a ministry presence in our local community. If you would like to deposit your offering into our bank account as your regular electronic giving (REG), use the following details:

St Peter's: BSB: 704-942 Account: 52667

Concordia & Outlying: BSB: 704-942 Account: 100 621 015

Offering Envelopes for 2026 will be available from Sunday 21st December at the Ministry Centre and in the foyer of St Peter's. They are old unused boxes that we are repurposing for use in the Parish next year.

Toy Library Playtime Update

On Thursday 15th January, 10-11.30am, Jo Oldman organised a fun playtime event in our lovely fenced off play area outside the Ministry Centre. Toy Library users were invited by facebook and email. Almost 25 adults and children took part and there was much play and conversation happening! It was a lovely follow on from the 5th Birthday celebrations back in October school holidays. The space was well used and very much appreciated.

If you would like to find out more, please speak with Jo or Brenton, and if you'd like to assist with future gatherings, they would love to hear from you.

Coming Up

Sun 18th	<i>See upcoming worship services (back page)</i> 1pm – Prayer Group (Church) 3pm – “Harriers” small group (Ministry Centre)
Mon 19th	9-3pm - <i>Ministry Centre Open</i> 10-11.30am – FOODBANK Mobile Hub (Carpark) 5.15-7.15pm – Riverland Freestyle Martial Arts (Peace Hall) 7pm – Loxton Lutheran Parish Meeting (Ministry Centre)
Tues 20th	<i>Ministry Centre Closed – Ps Mat & Ps Jason’s Day Off</i> 9am – Loxton Lutheran School Staff Worship (Church)
Wed 21st	10.30am – Riverview Lutheran Rest Home Worship (HC)
Thurs 22nd	9-3pm - <i>Ministry Centre Open</i> 7pm – St Peter’s Governing Council Meeting (Ministry Centre)
Fri 23rd	9-3pm - <i>Ministry Centre Open</i> 10.30am – William Hammerstein Funeral (Church & Peace Hall)
Sat 24th	
Sun 25th	<i>See upcoming worship services (back page)</i> 1pm – Prayer Group (Church)
Mon 26th	<i>Ministry Centre Closed - Australia Day Public Holiday</i> 5.15-7.15pm – Riverland Freestyle Martial Arts (Peace Hall)
Tues 27th	<i>Term 1 Starts</i> <i>Ministry Centre Closed – Ps Mat & Ps Jason’s Day Off</i>
Wed 28th	10.30am – Riverview Lutheran Rest Home Worship (HC)
Thurs 29th	9-3pm - <i>Ministry Centre Open</i>
Fri 30th	9-3pm - <i>Ministry Centre Open</i> 6.30pm – LCA-Concordia & Friends Gathering with HC (St Petri)

General Announcements

The “Using your Gifts in Worship” workshop which was scheduled for today, 12.30-2pm (including lunch), but due to lack of rsvp's **is cancelled** and postponed to a later date (to be confirmed).

A Constitutional Meeting for our One Church Many Doors and Special General Meetings for the following will be held in Peace Hall on Sunday 22nd February, 2pm:

- Pilgrims Of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Bookpurnong Inc.
- Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation, New Residence Inc.
- Fountain of Living Waters, Lutheran Church, Meribah.
- St Peter's Lutheran Church, Moorook.
- St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Myrla Inc.
- St Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Loxton Inc.
- Loxton Lutheran Parish Inc.

One Church Name: Our new church will need a name! Keep discussing what you believe embodies who we are and where are going. Your ideas can be posted into the brown box in the Ministry Centre or emailed to the office.

February 1st 10.30am combined service at St Peters with community lunch afterwards in Peace Hall. Cold meats provided, please byo salad to share.

7 weeks to St Peter's Centenary Celebrations! Our centenary committee would like to have a photo and memorabilia display in Peace Hall. If anyone has any photos of events or memorabilia that you would like to share, please let Cathy Crambrook know (85846577). Any photos can be scanned and then returned to you. Thank you.

Missed a service at St Peters? 830am services are uploaded to youtube each week (for showing at Riverview Resthome and Loxton Hospital) and the sermon from the 10.30am service is also uploaded as well. If someone you know couldn't get to service pass on these details too. The web link is <https://www.youtube.com/@stpetersloxton> or just search “St Peters Loxton”.

Upcoming Church Events

In 2026

We are celebrating the



100TH ANNIVERSARY

of the dedication of the
St Peter's church
building

SAVE THE DATES!

Saturday

7th March, 2026

5:30pm Dinner in Peace Hall

Limited seating

Tickets available now

Go to St Peter's website to
get dinner tickets, register
for the Sunday lunch, and
order wine

www.stpetersloxton.church

Sunday

8th March, 2026

9:15am Lifting of the
time capsule

10am Worship Service

12:30pm Community
Lunch

Commemorative Wine

Shiraz \$20

Tawny Port \$20

REPORT ABUSE

If you have experienced abuse or have witnessed poor behaviour from someone working for, or connected with, the Lutheran Church in Australia or New Zealand, or if you believe that someone else in the church is at risk, it is important that you let us know.

Phone 1800 644 626 (Australia) 0800 366 887 (New Zealand)

Email complaints@lca.org.au

Post PO Box 510, Marden SA 5070 Australia

Mobile phone, text message

+61 (0) 438 320 218



Upcoming Worship Services

Location	Today	Next Sunday
St Peter's	10.30am (Band) LR	10.30am (Band)
Myrla, New Residence, Moorook	9am HC @ Moorook	9am LR @ New Res
Bookpurnong	5.30pm @ Robert & Dawn Fielke's followed by AGM	9am HC
LCA-Concordia (& friends)	Fri 30 th Jan, 6.30pm HC @ St Petri	
Loxton Lutheran School	School Holidays	

Parish Ministry Centre (08) 8584 5522

Open Monday, Thursday & Friday 9am - 3pm

60 Bookpurnong Terrace, Loxton, SA 5333

St Peter's Congregation

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