



**LUTHERAN
CHURCH**
OF AUSTRALIA

**SOUTH BURNETT
LUTHERAN PARISH**
QLD

3rd Sunday of Advent 15 December 2024

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Today our readings are:

Zephaniah 3:14-20 - *The Lord will renew us by his love*

'Psalm': Isaiah 12:2-6

Philippians 4:4-7 - *Rejoice! The Lord is near*

Luke 3:7-18 - *What must we do?*



This week's activities across the parish:

Sun 15 Dec Services in all congregations

Wed 18 Dec 6.30 pm Kingaroy Church Council

Sun 22 Dec Services in all congregations

Pray This Week for the following:



- for teachers and students as they enjoy rest from their labours
- for those struggling with fear about their future over the Christmas period
- for those burdened by grief or separation
- for people to experience the joy of Christ's birth
- for generous hearts willing to share with the disadvantaged

Please send requests to kroy.luth@gmail.com.

Future Bible Readings

Sun 15 December Advent 3 (Blue/Violet)	Sun 22 December Advent 4 (Blue/Violet)	Tue 24 December Christmas Eve (White)	Wed 25 December Christmas Day (White)
Zephaniah 3:14-20 Isaiah 12:2-6 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:7-18	Micah 5:2-5a Luke 1:(46b) 47-55 Song of Mary (Magnificat) Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)	Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalm 96 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)	Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalm 97 Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20

A PASTORAL COMMENT ON LUTHERAN MISSION - AUSTRALIA:

I've had requests to advertise events being arranged by Lutheran Mission – Australia and admit feeling conflicted about this.

On the one hand I understand that as a result of recent decisions in the Lutheran Church of Australia to dismiss TA:VI.11 in the hope this now permits the ordination of women is now affecting the consciences of many members across the LCA, including my own. Some are despairing the future directions in the LCA and are looking for another alternative where they can be fed the Gospel in its purity and can receive the Sacraments where they are administered rightly. I understand the desire to advertise this.

On the other hand, I don't wish to advertise or encourage division. I'm here to lead the parish and its members toward forgiveness, reconciliation, healing, and greater unity. To promote anything which would encourage members to leave without first attempting conversation and reconciliation would seem counter to this work.

While I have many friends who are considering membership in this new Lutheran church body, I've decided not to officially promote any events of LM-A. If you would like to keep informed of their events, please check their website (<https://www.lutheranmissionaustralia.org.au>) and subscribe to their Facebook or newsletters. If you're considering leaving membership of any of our congregations, please contact me.

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES STH BURNETT LUTHERAN PARISH

<u>Kingaroy</u>	Christmas Eve	7.00 pm	Christmas Day	9.30 am
<u>Kumbia</u>	Christmas Eve	7.00 pm	Christmas Day	8.00 am
<u>Wondai and Murgon</u>				
	Christmas Eve at Murgon			7.00 pm
	Christmas Day at Wondai			8.00 am
<u>Yarraman</u>	Christmas Eve	6.30 pm	Christmas Day	No service



Other notices and news items:

LUTHERAN WOMEN MAGAZINE

Lutheran Women Australia, Lutheran Women Qld and LWQ Wide Bay Burnett Zone

2025 Membership Fees of \$20.00 are due by February 2025. For more information or to pay please see Evelyn Dunemann, Treasurer of St John's Kingaroy Ladies Friendship Circle (formally St John's Ladies Guild).

Anyone wishing to subscribe to LUTHERAN WOMEN MAGAZINE please note 1 years Subscription of \$20.00 is due before 30th December, 2024. Please see Evelyn Dunemann or Joan Crumpton if you wish to subscribe.

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A SELECTION OF SHORT MEDITATIONS



The newest edition of your favourite devotion series has arrived with a fresh new look! A selection of short meditations for each day of the year, from Australian writers, including pastors and other faith-filled servants of Jesus.

Drawing illustrations from every-day life, the writers thoughts are relatable, Christ-centred, and point readers back to the full life he promises in his name. Included is the bible reading for the day, a featured verse, a faith-talk question, and a prayer.

Perfect for individuals, families, or groups.

May you be blessed as you take time-out and allow God to equip you for the full life.

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ADVENT PRAYER TIME



Throughout Advent at Kingaroy, before each Worship Service, there will be a time (about 15 minutes)

of quiet guided prayer on Power Point, based on the readings for the day.

This will begin on 1st December

GROWING FAITH AT HOME

is a weekly lectionary-based take-home resource. It connects the weekly congregational worship with the faith life of the home. There are aids for individual or family devotions, including Bible readings, prayers and blessings. It includes ideas and suggestions to help households live out their faith in and through the home during the week.

The original version has daily Bible readings and a creative response. The simplified version is based on the three readings for the Sunday.

Go to www.growministries.org.au/shop to download Grow Faith at Home for free

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	Kingaroy	Past Stuart HC	Lay Led	Lay Led	
	Kumbia	Past Stuart HC	Lay Led	Lay Led	
	Yarraman	Lay Led	Lay Led	Past Stuart (HC)	
	Wondai	Lay Led	Past Stuart (HC)	Lay Led	
	Murgon	Lay Led	Past Stuart (HC)	Lay Led	
	Rosters				
	St John's Kingaroy	15 December	22 December	29 December	
	Worship Leader	Past Stuart (HC)	Lay Led (Kendall)	Lay Led (Geoff)	
	Bible Reader	Rod Larsen	Suz	Kendall	
Musician	Glenice	Suz	Del		
Audio Visual	Rosanne/Chris	Geoff/Chris	Chris		
Communion	Peter/Kendall	--	--		
Welcoming	Del	Joan	Bev		
Morning Tea	Evelyn/Madge	Marion/Ailsa	Cherryl/Kathy		
Flowers	Meryl Kahler	Marion Campbell	Kaye Wolski		
Cleaning	Melody/Meryl	Ruth/Jocelyn	Ruth/Jocelyn		
St John Trinity Wondai	15 December	22 December	29 December		
Worship Leader	Lay Led	Past Stuart (HC)	Lay Led		
Flowers & Cleaning	Fay, Rachel	Fay	Lynda/Judy		
St Paul's Murgon	15 December	22 December	29 December		
Worship Leader	Lay Led (Jordan)	Past Stuart (HC)	Lay Led (Ian)		
Musician	Jordan	Nola/Jordan	Nola		
Reader	Lucy	Marilyn	Florence		
Communion	--	Keith H	--		
Sound	Bruce	Keith	Keith		
PowerPoint	Mac/Lucy	Beryl/Sue	Beryl		
Welcoming	Ian	Florence	Bruce		
Peace Kumbia/Taabinga	15 December	22 December	29 December		
Worship Leader	Past Stuart (HC)	Lay Led	Lay Led		
Flowers	Janice	Janice	Heather		
Cleaning	Dianne	Dianne	Val		
Welcoming	Dave, Polly	Janet	Janice		