

October 2019

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Phil Zanker

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1996 – 2019**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Phil Zanker to Lutheran education over a period of 23 years.

Phil commenced his service in Lutheran education in 1996 when he was appointed as the Business Manager to the developing Unity College, formerly Murray Bridge Lutheran School. He served continuously at Unity until his retirement in 2019.

Phil's clear, analytical and strategic thinking, as well as his devotion and determination, saw Unity College develop from an R-7 primary school to the comprehensive R-12 school that Unity College is today. Phil has shared his business skills and acumen with, and for the benefit of, the college community. He was always willing to share his Christian faith and this was evident in the relationships he developed within the community as well as an example to the staff with whom he worked.

Phil's service has extended beyond the boundaries of Unity College having served for a number of years on the former LSA Finance Council and on various Enterprise Agreement negotiations as an employer representative.

Phil's faithful, humble and conscientious service to his Lord and the Lutheran Church of Australia, through his service in Lutheran education, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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