

## The Methodist Church of Southern Africa **Westville Society**



## Staying Connected 2 April 2023

## **Office Details**

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## **Sunday Service Times:**

07:30 09:00

18:30

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## **Bible Readings**

## 2 to 8 April 2023

Tuesday

Sunday Matthew 21:1-11

**Monday** Psalm 36:5-11

Wednesday Psalm 70

**Thursday** 1 Corinthians 11:23 - 26

John 12:20 - 36

**Friday** John 18:1-19:42

Job 14:1 - 14 Saturday

## From the Minister's Desk

We're approaching the end of our Lenten journey as we stand at the start of another Holy Week. It seems incredible to think that this time last year we were trying to navigate the trauma of those awful floods, and in fact we took the decision to



move some of our Holy Week services online because there was so much uncertainty about the weather. How has the year that has past since then been for you and those you love?

During this week, we are invited to accompany Jesus to the cross, sharing in his pain and loss, and then being caught up in the joy and wonder of his triumphant resurrection. I hope that you will be able to participate in person or online in our midweek services - Tenebrae on Maundy Thursday at 18h30 (communion), Good Friday (09h00) and 06h30 (communion) and 08h00 on Easter Sunday.

May God bless you and be near to you during these sacred days.

## **Good Friday Collection**

A reminder that all funds received at the Good Friday Service are allocated and paid to the Ministerial Students Fund, for students studying at the Seminary. This will include deposits made into the church bank account, clearly marked "Ministerial Fund". Thank you.

## **Report back from Social Knitwits**

We are delighted to announce that our group has grown to over 50 ladies with an average of 30 ladies attending each month. We have already handed 13 blankets to



67 Blankets with another pile of blankets growing for our next handover. Thank you to all those that have been attending and a very BIG thank you to those that have donated wool to help in making these beautiful blankets. The love, laughter and excitement grows every month and we can't wait to see what our Knitwits produce each month. Come and join us at our next meeting on 15 April.

## **Ladies Fellowship Group**

The WMC Ladies Fellowship group which usually meets on the first Friday of the month at 10:00 in the lounge, will not be meeting on the 7 April due to the Easter weekend, but will meet instead on the 14 April.



Sincere condolences to the Munstermann and Miller Families on the death of **Belinda Miller on** Friday 24 March.









Debbie Clarke Fall - Double Hip

Replacement (Discharged from Sylvia Hamann

hospital - Recovering )

Baby Brianna Belling (In the NICU) Shirleen Prydderch (Sleep Apnoea / **Bipolar Treatment)** 

Andrew Kenny (Pancreatic Cancer) Sané Ndlovu (Endometriosis Treatment -

Pain Control) John Cave (Cancer - Back pain)

Cynthia McNaughton (Stroke in Eye – Improvement)

Zayden Govender (Kidney function - Has

Improved) (Frail)

(Autoimmune Disease) Debbie Ivins

Florrie David-Sullivan (Frail)

Shelley Reed (Motor Neuron Disease/ALS)



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## **Ongoing Prayer**

Mike Hoole

Stephen Adams, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Janita Downing, Gwen King, Evelyn Kolbe, Linda Lodge, Wendy McGregor, Megan Moody, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family, Steve Smith, Sherwyn Sullivan, Marjorie Tarbett, Shirley Whelan.



#### The following items can be placed in the black box outside the church office.

Second hand clothes and shoes in good, clean condition Small household items, in good, clean condition Blankets / Linen / Towels Wool / Off-cuts of Material Non-perishable food items Books in good condition / Stationery Items for Winter Warmth



# Winter Warmth

As the weather starts to cool at this time of year, we start to collect and distribute items for "Winter Warmth". This includes blankets, jerseys, socks, beanies or bedding. If you have any of these items in good, clean condition that you would like to donate, please place them in the black box outside the office, marked "Winter Warmth".



## **Donations of Fabric and Wool**

If you have any donations of fabric or wool for our many outreach projects, please place them in the black box outside the church office. Thank you.

The church tithes to 9 organisations / ministries on a monthly basis according to the monthly income received. These organisations / ministries are: Allowance for running of Fraternal Churches Soup Kitchen, Adult Literacy Programme at WMC, Prialex, Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre, Ingwe, Thembalethu Sewing Centre, Khethiwe Rehabilitation Centre, The Westville Baby House and the WMC Sewing Empowerment Ministry.

This amounts to R 11 600 each month.

Thank you for your faithful giving. It is as a result of your giving that we are in a position to give so generously.



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