



Staying Connected

19 February 2023

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07:30
09:00
18:30

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Bible Readings

19 to 25 February 2023

Sunday Matthew 17 : 1 - 9
Monday Psalm 78 : 17 - 20
Tuesday Romans 11 : 1 - 6
Wednesday Matthew 6 : 1 - 6, 16 - 21
Thursday Psalm 51
Friday Romans 1 : 8 - 17
Saturday Isaiah 58 : 1 - 12

From the Minister's Desk

I had a pastor friend years ago who said once that he was always excited when he saw a member of his church

start to support the ministry of their church financially. I must have rolled my eyes at him, because he immediately went on – "No, no it's not the money I'm excited about :) it is what it signifies in the life of that person. It shows that there is something important happening there, because the last thing to be converted is always the cheque book" (The cheque book reference tells you how long ago we had this conversation ... but I've never forgotten it).

Jesus seems to have had the same attitude – he never asked anyone for money, but teaching about money and possessions was a favourite subject of his. For Jesus, our attitude to our stuff is a critical discipleship issue. In our covenant service two weeks ago, I reminded us that at WMC we believe that growing disciples **WORSHIP** regularly, **CONNECT** in small groups, **SERVE** faithfully and **GIVE** generously. Our giving at WMC is primarily through our planned giving programme (at present 107 individuals or families are signed up as planned givers). If you'd like to sign up too, please email us at office@westvillemethodist.co.za



Milestone Birthday Celebration

Michael Bishop will be turning 50 on Wednesday 1 March. To celebrate this milestone birthday we will be having a special birthday tea after the 09:00 service on **Sunday 5 March 2023**. All welcome.

If you would like to contribute towards a gift for Michael, please ensure that any contribution is clearly marked "50 Gift". Contributions can be made in cash (in an envelope clearly marked), by EFT or Zapper to the Church's account. This will be presented to him during the service. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday Service

Please note the date and time for the
Ash Wednesday Service:
18:30 on Wednesday 22 February.



Lent Devotions

David Jordan's Bible Study group will be meeting in the Church Sanctuary during Lent. He will be reading chapters from the Bible relating to the week, leading up to Good Friday. There will also be periods of quiet time where one will be able to reflect on the reading or spend time in prayer.

All welcome to attend this Lenten Devotional group.

Dates : Tuesday 28 February, Tuesday 7 March, Tuesday 21 March and Tuesday 4 April. **Time** : 17:30 to 18:30.

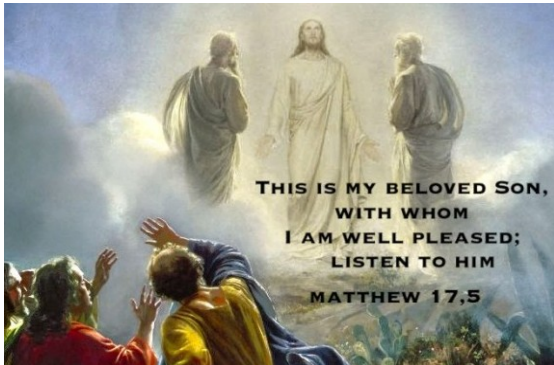
Easter Services

Maundy Thursday 18:30 on Thursday 6 April
Good Friday 09:00 on Friday 7 April
Sunrise Service 06:30 on Sunday 9 April
Easter Sunday Service 08:00 on Sunday 9 April





Congratulations to Joseph and Tienie Dearham who celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on Saturday 11 February 2023.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Baby Brianna Belling (Transverse Aortic Arch Hypoplasia - Surgery next week)
- Shirleen Prydderch (Sleep Apnoea / Bipolar Treatment)
- Stephen Adams (Heart Transplant)
- Andrew Kenny (Pancreatic Cancer)
- Sané Ndlovu (Endometriosis Treatment)
- John Cave (Cancer - Back pain)
- Cynthia McNaughton (Stroke in Eye - Improvement)
- Janita Downing (Macular Degeneration)
- Zayden Govender (Kidney function - Has Improved)
- Mike Hoole (Frail)
- Debbie Ivins (Autoimmune Disease)
- Florrie David-Sullivan (Frail)
- Siegyy Hanelt (AML - Leukemia)
- Shelley Reed (Motor Neuron Disease/ALS)
- Yvonne Wegerle (Recovering)

Create in me a pure heart,
O GOD,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Psalm 51:10



Ongoing Prayer

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

Shrove Tuesday

Join us for an evening of delicious pancakes, fun and fellowship as we prepare for the Lenten season! Bring-and-share pancakes in the Courtyard, with cool drinks for sale.

Date: Tuesday, 21 February, 2023
Time: 18:00
Place: Westville Methodist Church

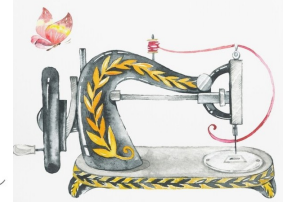


ADVENTURES BEGIN WHEN YOU ENTER YOUR Sewing Room

Learning to Sew Empowerment Project at WMC on Tuesday and Saturday mornings from 09:00 to 12:00.



Beautiful things COME TOGETHER one stitch AT A TIME



Westville Cancer Support Group

The next meeting of the Westville Cancer Support Group will be held at 18:00 on Monday 6 March at Westville Methodist Church. All welcome.

Church Bank Details

Acc: Westville Methodist Church
Acc No: 58880668126
Bank: First National Bank
Branch: Westville Br Code: 223526



Planned Giving

Your faithful giving to the work of your church is really appreciated. Please contact the church office if you would like further information about planned giving or would like to sign up.

Flowers in the Church

Each week a team of very talented people arrange the flowers that are on display in the church during the Sunday Service. If you would like to donate towards these displays in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a milestone birthday or special occasion, please contact the church office.

