



Staying Connected

23 April 2023

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Sunday Service Times:

07:30
09:00
18:30

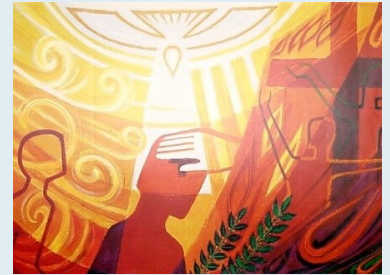
From the Minister's Desk

At our Exec meeting this week, we were so encouraged to hear about the planning that is underway for our confirmation course for this year. Mbulelo and Natalie have been working on the details and at this stage we are looking to run the course in the third term and to draw heavily on the excellent Youth Alpha materials for the course. More info will be available soon.

Churches have different practices and views when it comes to baptism. In the Methodist Church, we offer infant baptism (sometimes called Christening) where a baby is brought by their parents to be embraced and welcomed by God and God's people. Infant baptism emphasises the grace of God. What still needs to happen though is an informed choice and expression of faith, and confirmation provides this opportunity, as young adults now **confirm** the path initially chosen by their parents and make promises for themselves.

We haven't had a confirmation class at WMC for a few years, so we expect that in this year's course there will be a number of slightly older younger adults participating. If there is enough interest we could also consider offering an adult class for adults who would like to be baptised and/or confirmed. Let me know if that would interest you.

For now, we celebrate the ongoing growth of our youth ministry and look forward to all that is planned for this year!



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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**". Thank You.

Lost Property

If you have misplaced a pair of spectacles, please check the "**Lost Property**" in the church office as there are 2 pairs of spectacles (one pair is in a red spectacle case) that have been left behind after church services.



Nar-Anon Family Group

Are you affected by someone else's addiction? Nar-Anon Family groups are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. As a twelve step programme, the group offers help by sharing experience, strength and hope. A Nar-Anon group will be commencing at Westville Methodist Church on the first Wednesday of each month at 18:30 in the church lounge (the first meeting will be on Wednesday 3 May). For further information please see the notice board in the church foyer or contact Ronel on 083 4549656 or Bhavisha on 084 4199392.

Sewing Group at WMC

The Sew 'n Sews meet in the church lounge every Monday morning to sew for the many projects that the church is involved with. If you would like to join them to sew, you are welcome to pop in to the church lounge on a Monday morning from 09:00 to 12:00 or contact the church office for further information.

Bible Readings

23 to 29 April 2023

Sunday Luke 24 : 13 - 35

Monday Psalm 134

Tuesday Proverbs 8 : 32 - 9 : 6

Wednesday John 21 : 1 - 14

Thursday Psalm 23

Friday Exodus 3 : 16 - 22

Saturday Luke 15 : 1 - 7



Birth Congratulations

To Clifford and Michelle Thackwray on the birth of their great-grandson, Max Arnold Eb Aldous on Saturday 15 April.

Wedding Congratulations

To Daniel and Maree Bosch on the marriage of their daughter, Angelique to Mike on Saturday 15 April.



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

Thank you

Church Bank Details

Acc: Westville Methodist Church

Acc No: 58880668126

Bank: First National Bank

Branch: Westville Br Code: 223526



Evelyn Kolbe
Letitia Norris
Dot Dare

Rose Chislett
Debbie Clarke

Sylvia Hamann
Baby Brianna Belling

Shirleen Prydderch
Andrew Kenny
Sané Ndlovu
John Cave
Zayden Govender

Mike Hoole
Debbie Ivins
Florrie David-Sullivan
Shelley Reed

(ICU - Recovery from Major Surgery)
(Bipolar Disorder)
(Recovering from Surgery - Amputation of both legs)
(Recovering from Eye Surgery)
(Fall - Recovering from Double Hip Replacement surgery)
(In hospital for further treatment by IV)
(Discharged from hospital after 8 weeks - progress with feeding)
(Sleep Apnoea / Bipolar Treatment)
(Pancreatic Cancer)
(Endometriosis Treatment - Pain Control)
(Cancer - Back pain)
(Kidney function - Has Improved)



Ongoing Prayer

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



Work done at Ingwe this month:

- Supplying paint to paint the walls.
- Re-wiring and installation of light fittings and socket outlets.
- Installation of a new Distribution Board.
- Installation of a new counter top in the kitchen.
- Installation of new Curtain Rails.
- Purchase of a Two Plate Stove.

Thank you to all involved. This project is ongoing. Please reference all contributions as "Ingwe Appeal". Thank you.



Book Corner at WMC

Please visit the Book Corner in the church lounge. You can either leave a donation in the honesty box in the church office or swap your books. When swapping books please ensure the books you leave behind are in good condition. We are not able to take big encyclopedias or large study books.

