



Staying Connected

4 June 2023

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Sunday Service Times:

07:30
09:00
18:30

From the Minister's Desk

During an extended (unscheduled) power failure at the office this week, I picked up Beatrice Chestnut's book on the Enneagram, in which she says that many of us "exist in a kind of waking sleep". So much of what we think and do each day is

controlled by unconscious habitual patterns that have been in place since our childhood. The book goes on to speak about the Enneagram as a helpful tool for waking up - becoming more aware of our automatic thought and behaviour patterns and why we do the things we do.

That image of sleepwalking through life has stayed with me however. It's a common picture in the Scriptures too - in John's gospel especially, we see Jesus repeatedly helping those he encounters to open their eyes and see the truth. Wonderfully, Jesus is inviting us to be freed from the invisible constraints within which we live.

Ephesians 5: 13-14 puts it like this: *And when all things are brought out to the light, then their true nature is clearly revealed; for anything that is clearly revealed becomes light. That is why it is said, "Wake up, sleeper, and rise from death, and Christ will shine on you."*

May we experience what it is to have Jesus help us live with our eyes wide open!



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Bible Readings

4 to 10 June 2023

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| Sunday | Matthew 28 : 16 - 20 |
| Monday | Psalms 29 |
| Tuesday | 1 Corinthians 12 : 4 - 13 |
| Wednesday | John 14 : 25 - 26 |
| Thursday | Genesis 13 : 1 - 18 |
| Friday | Acts 28 : 1 - 10 |
| Saturday | Matthew 9 : 27 - 34 |

Newcomers Tea

Revised Date

Oops! Sunday 11 June is Comrades Marathon day. As a result we have revised the date for the Newcomers Tea. This will now take place after the 09:00 service on **Sunday 9 July**. If you are new to WMC or have been attending services for a while now and would still like to know more about the various ministries and activities of your church, we would love you to join us. Please diarise the date.

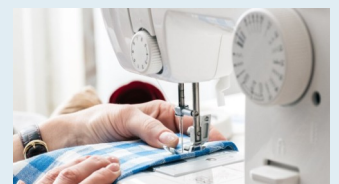


Pastoral Care Flower Ministry

Each Monday morning a member of the Pastoral Care Flower Team arranges the flowers from Sunday into pastoral bowls. These flowers are delivered to our members as part of our pastoral care ministry. There is a need for helpers to assist with the delivering of these arrangements in the Westville area. If you would like to be a part of this very special ministry please contact the church office.

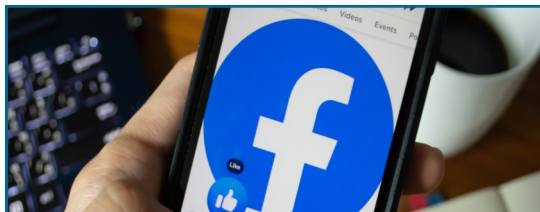
Sewing Group at WMC

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.



The LORD gives
Strength to his people;
the LORD blesses his people
with **Peace**.

Psalm 29:11



When next on Facebook please "Like" the Westville Methodist Church Page. This page is updated with photographs and information about the activities and ministries of WMC.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Baby Brianna Belling (Narrowing of artery - Surgery on Friday 9 June)
- Rob Jamieson (Recovering from a Fall)
- Dorothy Foster (Colon Cancer - Treatment)
- Mick Wasley (Third Hip Replacement - Recovery)
- Evelyn Kolbe (ICU - Recovery from Major Surgery)
- Dot Dare (Recovering from Surgery - Amputation of both legs)
- Debbie Clarke (Fall - Recovering from Double Hip Replacement surgery)
- Sylvia Hamann (Surgical ICU)
- Shirleen Prydderch (Sleep Apnoea / Bipolar Treatment)
- Andrew Kenny (Pancreatic Cancer)
- Sané Ndlovu (Endometriosis Treatment - Pain Control)
- John Cave (Cancer - Back pain)
- Zayden Govender (Kidney function - Has Improved)
- Debbie Ivins (Autoimmune Disease)
- Shelley Reed (Motor Neuron Disease / ALS)



Ongoing Prayer

Stephen Adams, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Rose Chislett, Florrie David-Sullivan, Janita Downing, Mike Hoole, Gwen King, Linda Lodge, Megan Moody, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family, Steve Smith, Sherwyn Sullivan, Marjorie Tarbett, Shirley Whelan.



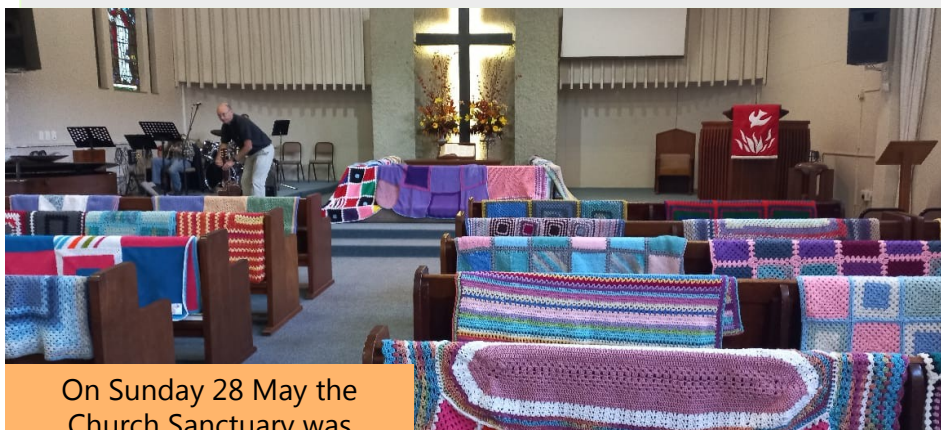
Oasis Ladies' Ministry

Save the Date for the next Oasis Ladies' Ministry Event which will be held at 09:00 on Saturday 5 August.



Donations of Wool

We have a team of ladies that knit for the many outreach groups that we supply knitted items to. If you have any donation of wool, please place it in the black box outside the church office. Thank you.



On Sunday 28 May the Church Sanctuary was decorated with blankets produced by the ladies of the Knitwits group who diligently knitted and crocheted for the '67 Blankets for Nelson Mandela Day' project. Thank you to all involved.



Church Bank Details

Acc: Westville Methodist Church

Acc No: 58880668126

Bank: First National Bank

Branch: Westville Br Code: 223526



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 / Vulindlela Project, Adult Literacy Programme at WMC, Prialax, Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre, Ingwe, Thembaletu Sewing Centre, Khethiwe Rehabilitation Centre, the Sewing Empowerment group and the Westville Baby House.

This amounts to R 11 400 each month. **Thank you for your faithful giving. It is a result of your giving that we are in a position to give so generously.**