



Staying Connected

13 August 2023

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Sunday Service Times:

07:30
09:00
18:30

From the Minister's Desk

Author Gretchen Rubin hosts a podcast on the subject of happiness. She recalls how she once interviewed Sandra Day O'Connor (the first female Justice in the US Supreme Court), and O'Connor offered her own definition of happiness in just three words: 'work worth doing'.

Work is a broad word, by no means limited to formal employment. Work includes parenting (and grand parenting), studying, home-making, gardening, self-work and much more. Work is wired into the fabric of creation - the Genesis account reminds us that God worked for 6 days and then rested. Work is affirmed and valued by God.

We may be tempted to think that happiness is what happens when work stops! - when we can take a break from our daily tasks. That may be true to some extent - we do need to rest and play (and even God observes a Sabbath in the creation story). On the other hand, I recently heard a preacher comment that research from developmental psychologists suggests that the happiest, most well-adjusted children are those who over the years have been invited to contribute meaningfully to their families through doing chores at home. Maybe O'Connor is onto something? This week we mark a transition for a beloved member of our community as Valda ends her time of formal employment at WMC and takes on new worthwhile work - caring for her grandson and her family. Join us for tea after the 09h00 service this Sunday as we gather to thank her and wish her well.



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Society Stewards

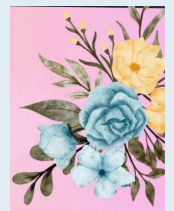
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Vulindlela Meal Vouchers

A new initiative is being introduced by the Fraternal Churches Vulindlela / Soup Kitchen, whereby meal vouchers can be purchased at a cost of R10 each. These can be handed out to indigent people and will entitle them to a meal at the soup kitchen. For further information or to purchase vouchers, please contact the church office.

Ladies Corner Afternoon Tea

There will be a Ladies Fellowship Group High Tea event at **18:00 on Friday 18 August at 18:00** in the Supper Room at WMC. The topic will be : '*Women on the Move*' and the dress code is Pastel Colours (please see the notice in the church foyer). For further information and to purchase tickets, please contact Sthembile Govuzela on 082 8489395 or Nosipho Makhanya on 082 3608018.



Bible Readings

13 to 19 August 2023

Sunday	Matthew 14 : 22 - 33
Monday	Psalms 28
Tuesday	Romans 9 : 14 - 29
Wednesday	Matthew 8 : 23 - 27
Thursday	Psalms 133
Friday	Acts 14 : 19 - 28
Saturday	Matthew 14 : 34 - 36

Pampering Day

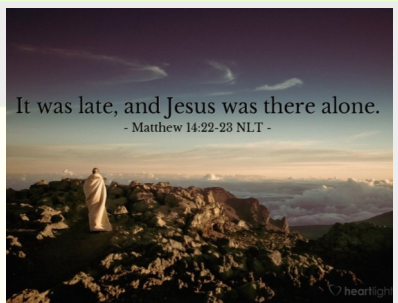
After a very successful Pampering Day on 22 June, the Fraternal Churches Counselling Centre are planning the next one which will be held on Thursday 21 September. You are invited to attend the next feedback and planning meeting on Friday 18 August at 09:00 at the Counselling Centre which is based at Home Ground / Baptist Church.

Cup of Fellowship

The Fellowship Cup has been passed from Morné and Tania Trollip to Ashley Sellwood. The objective of this initiative is to encourage more fellowship and interaction among our congregation.



PRAYER REQUESTS



Brianna Rose Belling and Emily Violet Belling, twin daughters of Brendan and Terri Belling, will be baptised at the 09:00 service on Sunday 13 August.

- Janet Thomason (Knee Replacement Surgery this week)
- Shirley Leech (Accident - Recovering at home)
- Mike Hoole (Frail)
- Moira Kolbe (Multiple Sclerosis)
- Dorothy Foster (Colon Cancer - Treatment)
- 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)

“The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy and with my song I praise him.”

Psalm 28:7

Ongoing Prayer

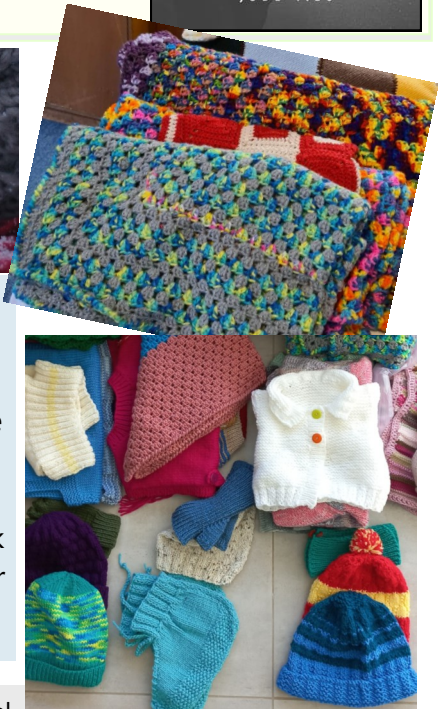
Stephen Adams, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Rose Chislett, Florrie David-Sullivan, Janita Downing, Gwen King, Evelyn Kolbe, Linda Lodge, Megan Moody, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family, Steve Smith, St John Spoor, Sherwyn Sullivan, Marjorie Tarbett, Shirley Whelan.



Help us Share the Warmth

This Winter

We are collecting and distributing items for “Winter Warmth”. This includes blankets, jerseys, jackets, 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.



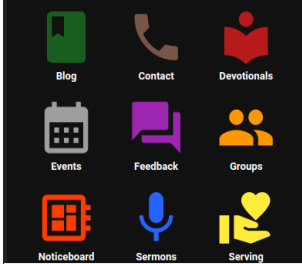
The following items can be placed in the black box outside the church office.

- 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
- Clean 2L Ice Cream Containers

Thank you

Church Bank Details

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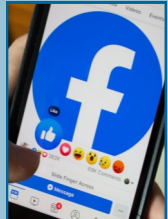


Access devotional content, services, blogs, roster details etc.

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<https://app.westvillemethodist.co.za>

When next on Facebook please “Like” the Westville Methodist Church Page.



Just as we are trying to stay connected with you, we also need you to stay connected with us. If you have any family news, births, weddings, family members going to hospital or unwell, please let the church office know.

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