



Staying Connected 15 September 2024

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Bible Readings

15 to 21 September 2024

Sunday Mark 8 : 27 - 38

Monday Psalm 73 : 21 - 28

Tuesday Colossians 3 : 1 - 11

Wednesday John 7 : 25 - 36

Thursday 1 Corinthians 2 : 1 - 5

Friday Romans 11 : 25 - 32

Saturday Matthew 23 : 29 - 39

From the Minister's Desk

Our family attended a celebratory service last Sunday at Umhlali Methodist to mark the centenary of their church building (Kym and I served the Umhlali community for ten years before moving here). It was lovely reconnecting with people and a reminder of how important it is to make the effort to mark and celebrate key days like this. Rev Mark Wiemers (who many of you will know from his time here) invited us and several other past ministers to be a part of the service.

One of the past ministers, who is now retired, spoke about holding their first beach sunrise service during his time there (that service is now a well-established local tradition). He said it was pitch dark on Easter morning and he expected only a few people to turn up, so he'd brought minimal communion supplies. However, people kept arriving and they had to work hard to make the grape juice and bread feed the multitude (the juice was watered down and tiny portions of bread were distributed ...)

The story was told with humour, but then he left us with a challenge. He said that it weighed heavily on him that while we were together in a worship service on a Sunday morning, much of the rest of the world was completely disinterested - they were on the beach, exercising, or shopping. He wondered to himself whether that was because the Church was offering them watered down grape juice and a tiny crumb of bread. It's a powerful metaphor, isn't it? What would it mean for Westville Methodist to lay on a gospel feast for the world around us?



Church Diary 2025

Westville Methodist Church is blessed with having many halls and rooms of various sizes. These venues are hired out on a regular basis, with the afternoon slots presently occupied by many community based activities. Please will all church groups and ministries confirm their dates, for using any rooms in the church complex for 2025, with the church office.



Do you have the skills to become the ultimate quiz champion? Get your team together and book a table for our quiz night. (This is a WMC Fundraiser.)

Bring your own supper.

Coffee, tea and cake will be on sale.

Friday 11 October @ 6:00pm

In the Lower Hall : Westville Methodist Church

Tickets : R150pp; Pensioners R100pp

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The Flowers in Church
this week are in loving memory of
Shaun Reddy and Meryl Reddy
(both birthdays 16th September).
Never forgotten.
Memories always in our hearts.



PRAYER REQUESTS

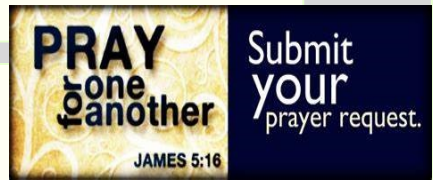
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| <i>Haroshen Govender</i> | Cancer Treatment |
| <i>Derek Gallichan</i> | Atrial Fibrillation -
Ongoing prayer |
| <i>Lynda Goosen</i> | Cancer - Treatment |
| <i>Helene Herbst</i> | Tests |
| <i>Sané Ndlovu</i> | Further treatment -
Endometriosis |
| <i>Lynese Morris</i> | Cancer diagnosis : Treatment |
| <i>Roxanne Cappell</i> | Strength and Support : Pregnancy |
| <i>Letitia Norris</i> | Strength and Peace |
| <i>Horizon Farm</i> | Financial Stability |
| <i>James Dunford</i> | Cancer |
| <i>Raymond A. Blom</i> | End Stage Dementia |
| <i>Sue Carter</i> | Ongoing health concerns - shoulder surgery |
| <i>Cameron Smith</i> | Multiple Sclerosis |
| <i>Brandon Walker</i> | Effects of Long Covid |
| <i>Shirleen Prydderch</i> | Bipolar Treatment - Thank you for prayers |
| <i>Dorothy Foster</i> | Recovering from Surgery |
| <i>John Cave</i> | Cancer |
| <i>Zayden Govender</i> | Kidney function Improvement |
| <i>Shelley Reed</i> | Motor Neuron Disease / ALS |



**Congratulations to
David and Felicity Cory
on the birth of a grandson,
Henry James Mazen**
born to Greg and Samantha Mazen
on Thursday 12 September
in Johannesburg.

Ongoing Prayer

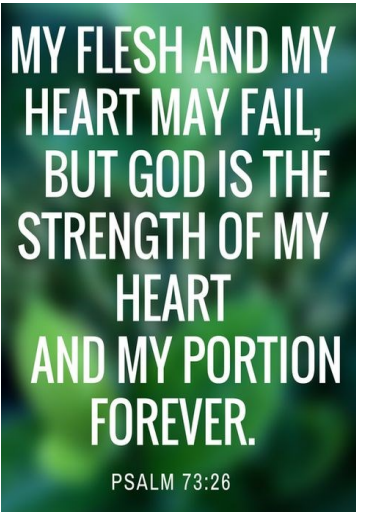
Stephen Adams, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Janita Downing, Debbie Ivins, Evelyn Kolbe, Megan Moody, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family, Sherwyn Sullivan.



*"Dear Westville Methodist Church Family
I would like to express my sincere gratitude
and appreciation for advertising our fund-
raiser (the Super Troopers event at The
Barnyard). It definitely worked, and our
event was a huge success.*

Warm regards"

Beverley Munian :
Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre



Birthdays this coming week
Channing Proctor Tuesday 17 September
Joe Dearham Thursday 19 September

If your name should be listed here, or if there are any errors, please contact the church office.

JUMBLE SALE

There will be a Jumble Sale at the Christmas Market scheduled for **Saturday 30 November 2024**. Pre-loved clothes, shoes, linen and small household items will be available at very reasonable prices.

In this regard we are currently looking for donations of the following:
Crockery and small kitchen items
Clothes and Footwear
Linen, Curtains and Blankets

(All items to be clean and usable, please). These items can be placed in the black box outside the office. Thank you.

Feeding Scheme

The fuel costs for delivering and distributing food to the 'Gogos' in Kwa Dabeka, a feeding scheme that WMC supports, is approximately R1 500 per month. The funds, to maintain this weekly outreach, are running low. If you would like to support this ministry, please mark your contribution : '**Feeding Scheme**'.
Thank you.



Church Bank Details

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