



Staying Connected 22 December 2024

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Sunday Service Times:

07:30
09:00
18:30

From the Minister's Desk

One of our stewards shared a thought in our Exec meeting this week that got us all thinking: If you're carrying a cup of something and someone bumps you, you will spill whatever is in the cup - coffee, water, whatever. In the same way, if we are 'bumped' in life (pressured, provoked, challenged), whatever we are carrying within will spill out. Put differently, Jesus said that the condition of our heart is often revealed by our words ("out of the overflow of the heart, the mouth speaks" Luke 6:45).

What are you carrying in this busy time? What will spill out if you or I are bumped? This season is intended to be a time of joyful celebration and an experience of the presence of the Prince of Peace. Often however it becomes a time when we are stressed, even overwhelmed, and sometimes sad. Maybe the invitation for us this Christmas is to ensure that also we make space to be Mary at the feet of Jesus, and not just Martha concerned with many things (Luke 10:38-42). May your cup and mine be filled with the peace and joy intended for this season so that it overflows if we are bumped!

THE GOOD MAN BRINGS GOOD THINGS OUT OF THE GOOD TREASURE OF HIS HEART, AND THE EVIL MAN BRINGS EVIL THINGS OUT OF THE EVIL TREASURE OF HIS HEART. FOR OUT OF THE OVERFLOW OF THE HEART, THE MOUTH SPEAKS.
- LUKE 6:45

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On another subject, a piece of good news to share with you: we are so excited to welcome Ashley Sellwood onto our staff team on a part time basis (she will be in the office on Wednesdays and Fridays). You know Ash as a society steward with a passion for outreach and mission, but she also has a wealth of administrative and financial experience and will be taking on some of this work in our church office. Welcome to the team, Ash!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Each of you has been blessed with one of God's many wonderful gifts to be used in the service of others. 1 Peter 4:10



If you would like to know more, please contact the office or email office@westvillemethodist.co.za



Tienie Dearham
 Helene Herbst
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 Sané Ndlovu
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 Letitia Norris
 Horizon Farm
 James Dunford
 Raymond A. Blom
 Sue Carter
 Brandon Walker
 Shirleen Prydderch
 Dorothy Foster
 John Cave
 Zayden Govender
 Shelley Reed

Virus in her left ear, affecting balance and hearing
 Pain Relief
 In Hospital - off the ventilator
 Released from hospital after accident in Portugal
 Cancer Treatment
 Cancer Treatment
 Further treatment - Endometriosis
 Cancer : Pain Control / Treatment
 Strength and Peace
 Financial Stability
 Cancer
 End Stage Dementia
 Post operative recovery and general prayer
 Effects of Long Covid - Fatigue
 Bipolar Treatment
 Recovering from Surgery
 Cancer
 Kidney function Improvement
 Motor Neuron Disease / ALS

**Congratulations to
 Dave and Brenda Oldacre
 on the birth of their grandson
 Theodore David Oldacre
 born in London on the 19 December 2024
 to Dean and Emma Oldacre**



The Lord, your God,
 Is in your midst,
 A MIGHTY SAVIOR;
 He will rejoice over you with gladness,
 and renew you in his love

Zephaniah 3:17

Ongoing Prayer

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



Birthdays this coming week
Estelle Hewitt Wednesday 25 December
Robyn Lapin Thursday 26 December
Lindsay Tofts Friday 27 December
Nqaba Mancotywa Saturday 28 December
If your name should be listed here, or if there are any errors, please contact the church office.



Book Corner at WMC

Please visit the revamped 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 encyclopaedias or large study books.

Church Bank Details

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



Small Ceramic Bowls, Vases and Baskets

Each Monday the Sunday flowers are arranged in smaller bowls and distributed to our church members as pastoral care. There is a need for small ceramic bowls, vases and baskets to be used to make up these pastoral bowls. If you have any of these that you would like to donate, please place them in the black box outside the office. Thank you.