

A Christian's greatest desire

"I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his suffering and becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead" (php 3:10-11)

Read Philippians 3:7-14

All Christians have desires, and the quality of these desires dictates the strength or weakness of their spiritual lives. If they give preference to an earthly desire, it is only a question of time before their spiritual lives begin to disintegrate and lose all sense and meaning.

It is of extreme importance for Christians to foster the proper desires that will motivate them during their pilgrimage. The greatest desire is to know Christ, to experience the power of his resurrection and to share in his sufferings by becoming part of his resurrection. This desire puts all other values in their proper perspective. And without this sincere desire to know God truly and intimately, one's spiritual life; loses its power to motivate.

To know Christ is a courageous deed of faith that opens your reasoning to the influence and working of his holy thoughts that will ultimately enable you to follow in his footsteps. When you are so intimately acquainted with Christ, it becomes possible for this knowledge to be revealed in your daily life. This high standard of life is unattainable if those who experience Christ in this way have not also experienced the power of his resurrection. Without the gifts of God's power it is possible to live according to his will.

- Solly Ozrovech. Closer to Christ.

ARE YOU A VISITOR OR WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THE MINISTER OR A LEADER? PERHAPS YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

(kindly complete this form, tear it off and place it in the collection plate)

Name & Surname.....

Residential address/ Prayer Requests
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Tel:

Kindly mark where applicable:

- I am new and would like more info
- I would like to see the Minister or a Leader
- I would like to join
- Your prayers would be welcomed

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A Church for the whole community

29th November 2020



CONGREGATIONAL-METHODIST-PRESBYTERIAN

Our goal:

"To please Him (Jesus) in every way" Colossians 1:10.

Serving you this week

Communion Service

Duty	09h00
Preaching	Rev John Gordon
Service Steward	Trevor F
Door Stewards	Barbara J, Elanor W
Tea	Llewellyn W, Jenny W

6th December

Duty	09h00
Preaching	Derek Weston
Service Steward	Hans D
Door Stewards	Jenny and Kevin L
Tea	Pat E, Anne W

13th December

Duty	09h00
Preaching	Neale Q
Service Steward	Duncan F
Door Stewards	Sue V, Nista M
Tea	Anne K, June R

Happy Birthday!

May God bless this day with more love than your heart can hold.

Date	Name and Number
29 th November	Ian Kennedy – 079 513 1623
	Anthea Walters – 082 875 5233
30 th November	Duncan Fraser – 082 900 4749
	Anne Liebenberg – 072 241 0307
1 st December	Michelle Gilbert – 082 346 2093
	Shirley Ralph – 072 682 4365
2 nd December	James Gomes – 082 771 6824
5 th December	Esther Awitty – 082 210 3349
	Viola Ndebele – 073 816 0820

General

Craft and Farmers Market

Join us for our Craft and Farmers Market on December 5th from 9am – 3pm! If you'd like to make a booking, please contact Nick on **074 105 4689**.

Volunteers

We need volunteers for Service Stewards and Door Duty for January and February 2021. If you're able to assist please phone Wendy Quilliam on 082 572 7560.

Thank you.

LIBRARY - (next to the kitchen)

The novel section of the library is well used by members and thank you to all who have donated books for this section.

We are always in need of novels and any novel that has been bought from CUM or any other Christian Retailer is suitable for this section.

Our other sections of ministerial and spiritual books are well catered for and no more donations are needed for these areas.

Please note that we do not use Recipe, Gardening, Knitting, Craft Books or old Magazines and Faith for Daily Living. Perhaps donate to charity shops.

Thank you kindly.

2021 Diaries

2021 Methodist Pocket Diaries now available at a cost of R30.00 each
Contact Carol O'Connor 082 335 0556

Soup Kitchen volunteers needed for the Monday group. We need *one* volunteer for the fourth Monday of each month, and *another* to be on once a quarter (when there's a five week month). Soup Kitchen runs from 09h00 for about an hour.

Please phone Anne Wenborn on 082 779 1354 if you can help. Thank you.

Care by Prayer

Maggie and Nicole Hunter – thanks to God for blessing and protecting our family, children and friends during this time.

Judy Proctor – for God's blessings of strength and for full recovery and for God's peace.

Lynette and Brian Rajchrt and family – grateful thanks for all God's blessings, for keeping us and our loved ones safe and healthy, and for our children to have been able to study online and finish the varsity year.

Neale and Wendy Quilliam – for Wendy's sister, Gail. Please pray for Gail's physical and mental strength and recovery from cataract surgery. Please also pray for God's guidance on the way forward for Wendy and Neale.

Mike and Sharon Inkley – pray for God's protection, peace and provision.

Pastoral Prayers

Greg Ellis-Williams – for God's presence and peace over him and guidance for the doctors as they wait for a heart.

Marie Wood – slowly improving. Pray for restored strength and energy.

Frances Geber – battling with severe systemic thrush especially in mouth which doctors can't cure. Please pray for healing.

Owen Garvie – eye surgery went well. Thank you for your prayers.

Rose (89) – is progressing well and will be discharged on Friday. Grateful thanks to God for her miraculous recovery after severe brain injury. Sincere thanks for all the prayers.

Cayleigh Inkley (26) – has been discharged and sent home and progressing well. Full recovery will take 1 – 5 years.

Herma Boshoff (91) – for God's love and peace to surround her.

Hettie Milesen (Elaine, our pianist's mom) – for strength and effectiveness of chemo.

Cedric Botha (Peter Ralph's cousin) – extensive cancer. Please pray for minimal side effects from radiation.

Hannah Thomas (8) – for continued progress of eye exercises.

Matric Pupils – especially for **Sabelo Jafta** and **Claire Kelly** writing their finals.

