

DMC FAMILY NEWS

Prayers

Please pray for the following people in their time of need:

Monica Collins, Don McMaster, Ralph Savage, Gottfried Weber, Jose Rhodes, Catherine & Scotty Rae, Avril Reid, Mettie Insley

Flowers

Flowers in the church today are donated by Nonnie & Buddy Vorster. "Thank you Lord for the precious memories of Christo, Your blessings and continued love has been a source of comfort to us. Christo we miss you and will always remember you."

Birthdays

We wish you God's RICHEST blessings as you celebrate your special day.

Tracey-Lee Michels De Jongh	26 April
Jeremy Goodway	26 April
Patricia Rontgen	27 April
Henno Prince	28 April
Margarete Van Der Merwe	28 April
Sue Siewertsens	29 April
Thereasa Schoeman	30 April
Neil Plant	30 April
Dylan Kleu	30 April
Anne-Marie Houston	30 April
Vincent Harth	30 April
Janell Cochrane	1 May
Willem Henning	1 May
Ivan Agrella	1 May
Helmut Kelz	1 May
Nozuko Calana	1 May
Neels Hubinger	2 May
Aretha Danielsens	2 May
Kayla Janse Van Rensburg	2 May
Sandy James	2 May
Glen Bradshaw	2 May
Reg Whittaker	2 May

NEXT SUNDAY: 3 May 2015

**Holy Communion will be served at all three services.
A Retiring Offering will be taken up after all three services to assist those who are in need.
Welcome of New Members.**

Preacher

08h00 Rev Sean McGuigan

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Society Stewards

08h00 Sandy James

09h30 Andre Nortier

18h30 Rod Dawson

Welcome & Offertory Stewards

08h00 Athol & Lucille Beeforth

09h30 Peter & Eileen Holmes

18h30 Elna Marran & Val Kemp

Help Desk Stewards

08h00 Madeleine Martin

09h30 Dianne Mathys

Data Projector Operator

08h00 Bill Martin

09h30 David Stephen

18h30 Ed Marran

Sound Operator

08h00 Stewart Robinson

09h30 Simon Conradie

18h30 Chris Van Staden

**Growing A Family Aflame,
Sharing God's Love with All**



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Minister's Note

26 April 2015

I am the Good Shepherd (Jn. 10:11)

"The Lord is my Shepherd, he calls me by name and I follow him into abundant life" is a perfectly appropriate Christian testimony. Yet, when one pauses and reflects on what this truly means, it is not surprising that some might label such a claim presumptuous or deluded. Do we really believe that God, the creator of heaven and earth, the Eternal One who is unconstrained by time or space became flesh and called us by name? Yes! Indeed we believe the Good Shepherd laid down his life for us (Jn. 10:11, 15, 17).

However, the true beauty of what Christ does ("Good" can be translated "beautiful") is far greater than simply our personal relationship of love and trust with the Shepherd. Christ calls "sheep" from every nation, so that *"there will be one flock, one shepherd"* (10:16)

In this time of tension, division and conflict in our nation I find hope in Christ's mission to gather a diverse yet united flock. The highlight of my week was hearing the testimony of a Zimbabwean at our Circuit Local Preacher's meeting. He powerfully described how Jesus had called him out of a life of sin and into a life of sharing the Gospel. We were blessed to say *"Brother we hear your call, we affirm your call, you are one with us"*.

TODAY'S SERVICE

Reading: Acts 4: 5 - 12
John 10: 11 - 18

08h00 & 09h30

Title: Whose sheep are we?

18h30

Title: The Power of a Humble Prayer

Preacher

08h00 Rev Londiwe Xulu
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18h30 Andrew Boake

Society Steward

08h00 Louis Louw
09h30 Neels Hubinger
18h30 Andre Nortier

Organist:

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DMC YOUTH

Sunday School (09h30 - 10h30):

An opportunity for all children over 3 to worship and grow in faith through Bible stories and games.

Friday Night Youth

Theme: Christian Atheist

Topic: When you believe in God but aren't sure He loves you.

Juniors from 18h30 - 19h30 Grade 1 - 7

Seniors from 20h00 - 22h00 Grade 8 - 12

For more information contact our Youth Pastor,

CHARITABLE APPEALS

In keeping with the Methodist Church tradition, May is known as the *"Blanket & Jersey"* month. All donations of new or good secondhand jerseys, jackets, coats, blankets, knee-rugs, beanies, bedsocks, scarves and double-knitting wool will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.
The Social Concerns Outreach Team.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE - We need Welcome & Offertory Stewards, also people to assist us with help desk duty at the 09h30 service. Please call the office.

We require air-miles to send Rev Xulu & Mr. Neels Hubinger on a mission visit to support the Alpha Holy Spirit Day at Nkhomo. Please let the office know if you can assist.

Anybody willing to assist in the coffee bar after the 18h30 service please contact Rochelle Bradshaw - 0833379809 or Elaine Dawson 0833815546. Thank you.

DUTY ROSTERS MAY - JULY 2015

Will all those who have offered to do Welcome & Offertory/Help Desk/Sound & Data Projector duties please check the mail boxes for their roster.
Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CIRCUIT QUARTERLY MEETING - Tuesday 28 April 2015 at Scottsville at 19h30.

WORSHIP CENTRAL COURSE - Monday 4 May 2015 at the church at 19h00. Worship team and anyone interested to join the worship team please contact the office for catering purposes.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 5 May 2015 at the church at 19h00.

CIRCUIT EXECUTIVE MEETING - Tuesday 12 May 2015 at the church at 19h30.

ASCENSION DAY - Thursday 14 May 2015, the office will be closed. *An evening service will be held at 19h00.*

FIA (FAITH IN ACTION) - Wednesday 13 May 2015 at the church at 09h30. All most welcome.

DMC MEMBERS

We are planning to provide name badges for all worshippers. To assist us in this effort please confirm your details on the clipboards in the foyer.

Join us for a cup of tea/coffee in the coffee bar after