

DMC FAMILY NEWS

Prayers

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

Gottfried Weber
Ronel Breuninger

Flowers

The flowers in the church today are donated by Gordon Ludski and family in loving memory of Mercia a dear wife and loving mother.

Birthdays

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

Emmanuel Mensah	21 December
Diane D'Aguiar	22 December
Glenn Brown	22 December
Vanessa Lovell	22 December
Josephine During	22 December
Harry Donaldson	22 December
Beverley Hooper	23 December
Liz Harper	23 December
Cynthia Carver	24 December
Antoinette Stockland	24 December
Helene Robertson	24 December
Devan Atkinson	25 December
Neville Nightingale	26 December
Tanya Foord	26 December
Noeline Goodway	26 December
Irene Absalom	26 December
Edwin Pietersen	26 December
Bobbie Gale	26 December

NAME TAGS

After service please leave your name tag in the plastic holders provided and not on the board.

We wish all the members of our Congregation & Visitors a Blessed Christmas & safety over the holidays.

NEXT SUNDAY: 27 December 2015

Preacher

09h00 Rev James Massey

Society Stewards

09h00 Neels Hubinger

Welcome and Offertory Stewards

09h00 Wessel & Margaret Oosthuizen

Help Desk Stewards

09h00 Dorothy Hendry

Data Projector Operators

09h00 Denise Hubinger

Sound Desk Operators

09h00 David Engelke

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



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Minister's Note 20 December

*My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour (Lk 1:46-47).*

One of the most blessed moments in worship for me is singing¹ “ *Tell out my Soul*”, a hymn inspired by Mary’s song (the “ *Magnificat*”, Luke 1:46-55), with our 08:00 congregation.

Singing Mary’s words makes their blessed truth alive and real for us in a way that speaking them doesn’t. We sense the Good News – the Kingdom of God is near! World history will not be directed from the thrones of the powerful (:52). Even those who experience the worst living conditions will know God’s love and mercy (:53).

Surely the infant Jesus was lovingly fed this song along with his mother’s milk. For we can hear it in Jesus’ first sermon: “ *(H)e has anointed me to bring good news to the poor*” (Lk 4:18). Mary’s song is also there in his most famous sermon: “ *Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God, Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled* (Lk 6:20).

May we enter into Christmas and the New Year as those who are blessed. Blessed by the assurance of God’s presence through sickness, grief and financial woes. Blessed to be loving bearers of hope, peace and joy to all who suffer.

TODAY’S SERVICE

ADVENT SERIES: Unwrapping the True Gifts of Christmas: Hope, Joy, Peace and Love.
Join us this Advent as we allow God’ s Spirit to rekindle Hope, Joy, Peace and Love within us

08h00 & 09h30
Reading: Micah 5: 1-5, Luke 1: 39-56
Title: Unwrapping the gifts of Christmas Love

18h30
Reading: Micah 5: 2-5a; Luke 1: 39-45
Title: An all embracing love

Preacher
08h00 Rev Londiwe Xulu
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18h30 Taryn Minnie

Society Steward
08h00 Neels Hubinger
09h30 Sandy James
18h30 Rod Dawson

Organist

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DMC YOUTH

Sunday School (9h30 - 10h30):
An opportunity for all children over the age of 3 to worship and grow in faith through Bible stories and games.
Sunday School will reopen on 17 January 2016.

Friday Night Youth
Friday Night Youth will reopen on 15 January 2016.

We wish all our children, teachers & parents a blessed & peaceful Christmas & pray God’s continued blessings on all as they enjoy their holidays & those who will be travelling.

For more information contact our Youth Pastor, Taryn Minnie on 0796940419.

CHARITABLE APPEALS

CHRISTMAS DAY OFFERTORY - Will be in aid of the Methodist Homes for Children.

2016 ROSTERS - FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH, TYGERBERG HOSPITAL FLOWER DISTRIBUTION, SOUP KITCHEN - will all those who have volunteered to help with the above duties please collect their new roster for **2016** from the mail boxes.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE - We need Data & Sound Operators for all services. Please speak to Charles if you are interested.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES
Will be at 07h30 and 09h00

COMBINED MORNING SERVICES - will be held on *Sunday 27 December & 3 January 2016 at 09h00.*
NO evening services will be held. Evening Services will continue on the *10 January 2016.*

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed from 25 December 2015 - 3 January 2016.

LEAVE DATES FOR STAFF
December 2015 - January 2016
Sean McGuigan 27 December - 1 January
Londiwe Xulu 21 - 31 December
Jeffrey Valentine 17 December - 12 January
Caroline Erens 17 December - 13 January
Taryn Minnie 2 - 9 January
Yvonne Engelke 4 - 18 January
Sandra Fairbairn 25 January - 5 February

OTHER NOTICES
LIFT NEEDED - from Durbanville to Epping from Monday - Friday. Will contribute towards petrol cost. Call Yvonne at the office.

Christmas Day 07h30: Society Steward: Sandy James
Welcome & Offertory: Cowan & Marian Cameron
Help Desk: Sandra Fairbairn
Sound Duty: Matthew-Mark Timm
Data Duty: Alida Schoonenberg

Christmas Day 09h00: Society Steward: Andre Nortier/
Neels Hubinger
Welcome & Offertory: Peter & Eileen Holmes
Help Desk: Riana Basson