DMC FAMILY NEWS

Prayers

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

Helene Robertson
Mike Reid
Louis Stander
Denice Tregurtha
Catherine Rae

Flowers

The flowers in the church today are donated by Athol & Lucille Beeforth.

Birthdays

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

Marian Cameron	11 December
Louise Giffard	11 December
Rochelle Riehl	12 December
Karen Malherbe	12 December
Claire Jackson	12 December
John Conradie	13 December
Vida Das Neves	13 December
Marie Bissett	14 December
Linda Böhme	14 December
Gert Kotzé	14 December
Nolan Daniels	16 December
Roy Lureman	16 December
Agnes Stainton	17 December
Nicholas McKinley	17 December
Linda Knoetze	17 December
Piet Olivier	17 December
Samantha Griebenouw	17 December
Claire Kleynhans	17 December

"I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will

NEXT SUNDAY: 18 December 2016

Preacher

08h00 Rev James Massey
09h30 Rev James Massey
18h30 No Evening Service

Society Stewards

08h00 Isaac Adom-Aboagye

09h30 Glen Bradshaw

Welcome and Offertory Stewards

08h00 Karel & Melinda Van Der Molen

09h30 Liz Harper & Carol Hay

Help Desk Stewards

08h00 Freda Davies

09h30

Data Projector Operators

08h00 Malcolm Venter

09h30 Alida Schoonenberg

Sound Desk Operators

08h00 Willem Van Der Vyver

09h30 Arnold Weppenaar

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

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3rd SUNDAY in ADVENT 11 December 2016

Last Sunday the candle of peace was lit. We light it and the candle of hope again as we remember that Christ will return and bring to the world everlasting peace.

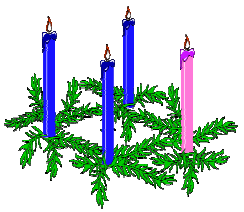
The third candle of Advent is the Candle of Joy. It reminds us of the joy that Mary felt when the angel Gabriel told her that a special child would be born to her - a child who would save and deliver His people.

God wants us all to have joy. The angel who announced to the shepherds that Jesus had been born told them: "Do not be afraid. I am bringing you good news of a great joy for all the people - for to you is born this day, in the City of David, a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord."

We light this candle to remember that Christ brings the promise of a new life - a life in which the blind receive sight, the lame walk, and the prisoners are set free. We light it to remember that He is the bringer of true and everlasting joy.

LIGHT THE THIRD CANDLE

LET US PRAY: Loving God, we thank You for the joy You bring us. Help us prepare our hearts for this gift. Bless our worship. Help us to hear and to do Your word. We ask it in the name of the one born in Bethlehem. Amen.



TODAY'S SERVICE

Series: Christ the King

Reading: Matthew 11: 2-11

08h00 & 09h30
Title: "The Power of the Ordinary"

18h30
Title: "The Reason for the Season"

Preacher
08h00 Rev Vuyelwa Ntshinga-Yawa
09h30 Rev Vuyelwa Ntshinga-Yawa
18h30 Lauren Fick

Society Steward
08h00 Andrew Boake
09h30 Paige Tremlett
18h30 Louis Louw

Organist
Ian Jefferies

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DMC YOUTH

Sunday School: Sunday School is closed. However, we shall be screening Christian films under adult supervision for the children during the 9:30 service today and next Sunday in the downstairs lounge.
Sunday School will reopen 15 January 2017.

Friday Night Youth
Friday Night Youth will reopen 13 January 2017.

Thanks to all who contributed & assisted the Youth. 373 Crackers were made which went on to bless various organizations that we support.

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 Lauren Fick - 074 600 1237.

CHARITABLE APPEALS

CHRISTMAS DAY OFFERTORY - will be in aid of The Methodist Homes for Children.

THE GIVING TREE - we are inviting you to place items of special Christmas goodies under the giving tree, so that we can make up Christmas hampers for identified families within our congregation.

2017 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 from the mail boxes.

CAR GUARD - We would like to give Patrick a small bonus at the end of the year. If you would like to donate something please speak to Yvonne. This is the last week we will be collecting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHURCH EXECUTIVE MEETING - Tuesday 13 December at the church at 18h30.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES
Will be at 07h30 and 09h00.

COMBINED MORNING SERVICE - will be held on *Sunday 1 January 2017 at 09h00.*

NO EVENING SERVICES - will be held on the *18 and 25 December and 1 and 8 January.* Evening Services will continue on the *15 January 2017.*

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed from 24 December 2016 - 3 January 2017.

LEAVE DATES for STAFF 2016/2017
Jeffrey Valentine 16 December - 16 January
Caroline Erens 16 December - 16 January
Sandra Fairbairn 19 & 20 December
Yvonne Engelke 5 - 20 January

OTHER NOTICES
MORNING PRAYERS - Join us for prayers on a Tuesday morning at the church from 05h45 - 06h45. *The last morning prayer meeting will be on Tuesday 20 December and will resume on Tuesday 17 January 2017.*

Please join us for a cup of coffee/tea after the 18h30 service.