

DMC FAMILY NEWS

Prayers

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

Brian Stopforth
Colleen Mesarcik
Tippie Wyrley-Birch & family
Mignon Fell & family

Flowers

The flowers in the church today are donated by John and Lorraine Adam in loving memory of their mothers Ria and Edna. With all our love.

Birthdays

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

Caroline Erens	28 January
Trudy Van Wyk	29 January
Karen Teuchert	29 January
Malinda Fryer	29 January
Malcolm Johnston	29 January
Lynette Fourie	29 January
Jenna Moore	30 January
Jacque Geyser	31 January
Emuel Kleynhans	31 January
Cedrick Fortune	2 February
Lynne Fairbairn	2 February
Tania Morland	3 February
Pam Dorrington	3 February
Lynette Ettisch	3 February
Daniel Van Zyl	3 February
Janet Diedericks	3 February
Ron Eastes	3 February
Kevin Eloff	3 February

The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority (Mark 1:21b-22a)

NEXT SUNDAY: 4 February 2018

Holy Communion

Preacher

08h00 Rev Sean McGuigan
09h30 Rev Sean McGuigan
18h30 Rev Sean McGuigan

A Retiring Offering will be taken after all services.

Society Stewards

08h00 Simon Mofokeng
09h30 Paige Tremlett
18h30 Rod Dawson

Welcome and Offertory Stewards

08h00 Cowan & Marian Cameron
09h30 Roy & Maryna Lureman
18h30 Elly Spronk

Help Desk Stewards

08h00 Madeleine Martin
09h30 Liz Harper

Sound Desk Operators

08h00 John Conradie
09h30 Simon Conradie
18h30 Arnold Weppenaar

Data Projector Operators

08h00 Bill Martin
09h30 David Stephen
18h30 Alida Weppenaar

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Sharing God's Love with All**



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Minister's Note

28 January 2018

Whilst reading Friday's appointed Psalms¹, I was struck by these words:

You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth (Ps 65:9a, 10).

Sounds too wonderful! I had to remind myself the psalmist was familiar with life in a "water stressed" nation - hence his gratitude for rain. This deep awareness of water's life-giving value is why, in Scripture, water is often a metaphor for the life God gives. Jesus said: "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water" (Jn. 7:38b). In God's New Creation a river of life, bright as a crystal, flows from God's throne into the city. (Rev. 22:1).

The "drought" in political leadership has kept us crying out to God. We rejoice in the green shoots of life we now see. Our Lord will also lead us through this time of drought. We'll learn valuable lessons and ultimately rejoice with gratitude at God's provision.

For now, may our worship lead us to drink deeply from God's river of life! May living waters overflow from our hearts into a dry and thirsty land.

God Bless, Sean

¹ In the Daily Office, Common Book of Prayer

TODAY'S SERVICE

Reading: Mark 1: 21-28

08h00 & 18h30

Title: Jesus' Authority - Our Hope

09h30

Title: This is my fight song!
Christ and the Kingdom fight.
(Title borrowed from R. Patten's "Fight Song")

Preacher

08h00 Rev Vuyelwa Ntshinga-Yawa
09h30 Rev Sean McGuigan
18h30 Rev Vuyelwa Ntshinga-Yawa

Society Stewards

08h00 Isaac Adom-Aboagye
09h30 Andrew Boake
18h30 Lauren Fick

Organist Ian Jefferies

Baptism

Gunner, son of Garth and Chanel Hendrickse will be baptized at the 09h30 service.

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DMC YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9h30 - 10h30)

Sunday School 2018 has been reorganised so that we can cater for children from 2 upwards. Our mission is to introduce all children to their Heavenly Father through stories, crafts and games. Please encourage them to attend regularly and please pray for us all.

YOUTH

Senior Youth - Friday (19h00 - 21h00)

CHARITABLE APPEALS SOCIAL CONCERNS

TOILETRIES and STATIONERY - will be an ongoing appeal for hospitals and schools. We require the following items *throughout the year* to supply to the local public hospitals and Namaqualand schools:
Toiletries: face cloth, soap, toothpaste and brush and small tissues, roll-on deodorant, and feminine hygiene products.

Stationery: pens, pencils, crayons rulers etc.
Whatever you are able to donate is gratefully received, thank you.

PLANNED GIVING - With regards to Athol Beeforth's request last week, if you would like to join our "Pledge Giving" programme, you will be providing valuable budgeting and planning guidance to the church community. The forms can be collected at the help desk. Thank you.

DUTY ROSTERS FEBRUARY - APRIL 2018

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

CIRQUIT QUARTERLY MEETING - Tuesday 30 January at 19h00 at Brackenfell.

SEAN & VUYELWA will be away on a Ministers' Retreat from 6 - 8 February.

CHURCH EXECUTIVE MEETING - Monday 12 February at 18h30 at the church.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE - Wednesday 14 February at 19h00.

AGM - Wednesday 14 February after Ash Wednesday Service.

FIA (FAITH IN ACTION) - meet Wednesday 14 February at **09h00** to celebrate Holy Communion. Morning tea at 09h30 in the Community Lounge. All most welcome.

CONFIRMATION 2018 - Starts 14 February. Young people who feel ready to confirm their baptism and commit to a lifetime following Jesus are invited to fill in their details in the note book at the help desk.

OTHER NOTICES

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES - every Wednesday morning at 09h00. All most welcome.

PRAYER for HEALING - first Wednesday of every month at 18h30 *starting 7 March*.

GOOD WITH YOUR HANDS? - We are looking for people who can help Willem Van Der Vyver with the odd jobs around the church. Willem will still head up the team, but needs people to assist him. Please leave your name at the help desk.

NOMINATION FORM for SOCIETY STEWARD Enclosed.