

DMC FAMILY NEWS

Prayers

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

Ronel Breuning

Birthdays

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

Patricia Hanekom	12 January
Danie Mulder	13 January
John Adam	13 January
Angelique Sneyd	13 January
Eppie Smith	13 January
Ryan Langeveldt	14 January
Antonie Anderson	14 January
Gloria Graham	15 January
Evan May	15 January
Jarryd Gilpin	15 January
Angelique Diedericks Palagi	16 January
Mae Delaney	17 January
Cheryl Botes	18 January
Heather Munro	18 January
Anthea Koral	18 January

***I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations (Is 42:6).***

NEXT SUNDAY: 19 January 2020 - Covenant Service

We pray the "Covenant Prayer", a prayer of surrendering ourselves to God's perfect will. Find the prayer under "Other Notices". Further information on our web page.

Preacher

08h00 Rev Sean McGuigan

09h30 Rev Sean McGuigan

18h30 Rev Sean McGuigan

Society Stewards

08h00 Karen Visser

09h30 Karen Visser

18h30 Pam Chapman

Welcome and Offertory Stewards

08h00 Thelda Ekron & Alta Fraser

09h30 Ian & Pam Dorrington

18h30

Help Desk Stewards

08h00 Madeleine Martin

09h30 Denise Dettmer

Sound Desk Operators

08h00 Bill Martin

09h30 Simon Conradie

18h30 Samuel Conradie

Data Projector Operators

08h00 Bill Martin

09h30 Nicole Barnes

18h30 Samuel Conradie

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



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Minister's Note

12 January 2020

With the release of Matric results stories of learners who excelled dominated the headlines. Others were disappointed. One journalist overheard a parent saying to their child *"not what we were hoping for"*.

It's miserable to feel like you are a disappointment to your parents. A couple of years ago our confirmation candidates shared with us that they most feared being a disappointment. That's a widespread fear; according to an article in the Economist the current generation of young people are *"stressed, depressed and exam obsessed"*¹. To believe that we are acceptable on the basis of our achievements is to live under a terrible bondage.

In Jesus God sets us free! The first thing Jesus heard at the start of his ministry was: *"This is my Son, chosen and marked by my love, delight of my life"* (Mt 3:17, The Message). The Father *delighted* in Jesus before Jesus had "achieved" anything; he'd not yet fasted 40 days, nor preached the Sermon on the Mount, nor healed the sick. Jesus lived as he did because he knew Father's pleasure. He didn't first have to prove himself.

The same is true for us. As James Smith puts it, we are nourished by this truth: ***"I am one in whom Christ dwells and delights"***².

God Bless, Sean

¹<https://www.economist.com/graphic-detail/2019/02/27/generation-z-is-stressed-depressed-and-exam-obsessed>

²Smith, James Bryan. The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love with the God Jesus Knows

TODAY'S SERVICE

08h00 & 09h30

Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9, Matthew 3:13-17

Title: A delightful truth to sustain us through 2020 and beyond!

18h30

Reading: Matt. 3: 13-17

Title: Remember Who You Are

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08h00 Rev Sean McGuigan

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18h30 Rev Vuyelwa Ntshinga

Society Steward

08h00 Isaac Adom-Aboagye

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18h30 Andrew Boake

Organist

Ian Jefferies

Baptism

Madison, daughter of Cherylee Ludwig & Kevin Myburgh will be baptized at the 09h30 service.

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DMC YOUTH

Introducing very young children to Sunday School

We invite all parents of children between 2 and 5 years of age to bring them to meet us in the JAM CLUB room downstairs between 08h45 and 09h30 next Sunday (19 January). We can chat while they play and get used to the idea of being there.

Sunday School for older children starts at 09h30.

The next Youth Club meeting will take place on Friday 31 January.

SERVICE & GENEROSITY

2020 ROSTERS - CHURCH FLOWERS & SOUP KITCHEN

all those who have volunteered to help with the above please collect your new roster from the mail boxes.

SOUP KITCHEN - We urgently need people to assist with serving soup for 1 hour on a Friday morning every 7 weeks. Please contact the office.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

We need stationery & feminine hygiene products for Namaqualand.

CARE PACKS - We supply toiletry bags to Tygerberg and Karl Bremer hospitals each month. We require the following: face cloth, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, pocket-size pack of tissues, roll-on-deodorant and feminine hygiene products. Please leave at reception.

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 2019 - THANKS

A HUGE word of thanks and gratitude goes to our congregation for the generous support given towards our Christmas outreach projects. Many adults' and children's lives have been touched and made a little brighter!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SOCIETY STEWARD MEETING - Tuesday 14 January at the church at 19h00.

SOCIETY STEWARD MEETING - Tuesday 28 January at the church at 19h00.

OTHER NOTICES

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES - will re-commence Wednesday 15 January.

From Monday 9 December 2019 we no longer collect bottle tops.

COVENANT PRAYER

I am no longer my own but yours.

Your will, not mine, be done in all things, wherever you may place me, in all that I do and in all that I may endure;

when there is work for me and when there is none; when I am troubled and when I am at peace.

Your will be done when I am valued and when I pass unnoticed; when I find fulfilment and when it is lacking; when I have all things, and when I have nothing.

I willingly offer all I have and am to serve you, just as you choose to use me. Glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are mine and I am yours. May it be so for ever.

Let this covenant now made on earth be fulfilled in heaven. Amen.