



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

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MINISTER'S NOTE

4 DECEMBER 2022



Can you imagine these natural foes living in harmony with no thought of hurt or destruction? On this second Sunday of Advent, as we prepare for the coming of Jesus who has come in the past, who continually comes in the present, and who will come in the future, we are reminded that we are preparing for the coming of the Prince of Peace who meets us in our fear and gives us "the peace of God that transcends all understanding" (Philippians 4: 7).

We hear the words "Do not be afraid" throughout the Christmas story. I believe all of us are familiar with fear and it is unrealistic not to be afraid. The good news is, from generation to generation, God shows up in the midst of our fear, uncertainty and confusion. The coming of the Prince of Peace is a reminder that we are never alone in our times of fear. It is also an invitation to accompany those who are experiencing a world that is moving on despite their personal struggles.

The prophet Isaiah says the transformation from a culture of fear to a world at peace begins with a stump. Out of something that appears finished, lifeless, left behind, comes the sign of new life. From this there is a vision of the peaceable kingdom. This is the vision passed down to us: we must pursue it and make it real in our time.

Blessings,
Vuyelwa.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH: 09h00 - 10h00.

Sunday 11 December will be the last Sunday School for 2022. As usual, we shall celebrate by joining in the worship service. We hope you will be there to join us in thanking God for his provision of a Saviour who longs to spread his loving caring over his whole creation.

The Sunday School parents/grandparents are invited to join the children in a 'Parents and Pudding' event in the downstairs lounge after the service!

DMC FAMILY NEWS FLOWERS

The flowers in the church today are donated by Andries & Helga Kruger in celebration of the life of their daughter Nicole Kruger.

PRAYER

Matthew Ekron

SERVICE & GENEROSITY

SOCIAL CONCERNS - SOUP for MES

We are in need of soup. We have been asked to supply 24 litres of soup each Friday to MES. If you could deliver the soup by Thursday latest, we will arrange for it to be sent to MES.

BIRTHDAY and OTHER GREETING CARDS

Available at the office. R5 each and **CHRISTMAS CARDS** R15.00 for a pack of 5. Funds go to FIA.

BIRTHDAYS

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

Brenda Dicks	4 December
Bronwyn Botha	4 December
Barry Masters	5 December
Liezl Botha	5 December
Harvey Dixon	6 December
Themba Mthombeni	6 December
Chanel Hendrickse	7 December
Catherine Botha	7 December
Pieter Brundyn	7 December
Caitlyn McCartney	8 December
Catherine Goosen	9 December
Phemelo Mitchell	9 December
Caren Mason	9 December
Grant Van Beulen	9 December

SUNDAY SERVICE 4 DECEMBER 2022 at 09h00.
HOLY COMMUNION and WELCOME of NEW MEMBERS
PREACHER REV VUYELWA NTSHINGA

URGENT APPEAL - To be able to keep things functioning on a Sunday we need your help

If you can smile and say "Hello", you could help us with welcoming

If you are good at reading, you could help us with the bible reading

If you can say a short prayer, you can help us with the peace and justice candle lighting

If you can make a cup of coffee, you can help serve coffee after the service

If you have a computer and can push the down button, you can help us with data

If you are interested in sound engineering, you can help with the microphones

If you can play an instrument or have a singing voice, you could possibly be in the band

God did say to give of your time and your talents, so please consider helping in one of these areas. Thank you.

OTHER NOTICES

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES - Last service will be 14 December.

DMC BANKING DETAILS - MCSA Durbanville Society, Standard Bank, Tyger Manor, Branch Code: 050410, Account Number: 275125750

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