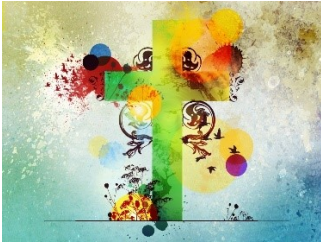




**WELTEVREDEN METHODIST CHURCH EXISTS TO DEVELOP DISCIPLES
WHO KNOW AND WILL SERVE JESUS CHRIST
IN BOTH OUR COMMUNITY AND IN THE WORLD**



**Welcome to the House of the Lord.
May this time of worship
be a blessing to each of us
as we share together
in the blessings
of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Welcome to those visiting with us for the first time today.
Please join us for fellowship and tea after the 09h00 service.
We would love to meet you!**

December 2020

Sunday Services

09:00 – Family Service
09:00 – K4J and Youth

Adult Sermon Audio uploaded at 12:00 to WhatsApp

Verse for the Month: : Isaiah 40:3-5 NIV

A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

Prayer:

What voices are we hearing? We live in a world of that is pessimistic. If there are no tears, there are groans. If it is not the anxiety it is the hopelessness. In essence we live in a difficult world with harsh realities. We need a voice of hope. Isaiah was that word of hope in the harsh realities of Israel's exilic and devastating life. Interestingly this word was not just for Israel to hear, but to live as people who are hopeful. Their hope was in the way they were being asked to carry themselves. They were to prepare the way for the day of the coming of the Lord. In this way of life they were to live not as influenced by the realities of life, but influencing the realities of life. They had to craft values that prioritize Godly ways of living.

What voices are you listening to, what are you doing to glorify God so that your life becomes a blessing to others? We are called to be the Wounded Healers as Henri Nouwen charges each one of us to be. In your woundedness may you be a fountain of hope and healing. May our Advent (the season of hope) culminate in the Season of Epiphany (the season of realization and presence). Amen.

Wishing you all together with your families a blessed Christmas,
Blessed Advent,

Rev Sva Waqu

Ministries	Prayer
<p>Internal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - K4J Children's Church* - Worship Team* - Sound Desk* - Screen* - Flowers - Communion - Hospitality Group* - Fundraising - Prayer <p>Outreach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Soup Kitchen - Kairos Prison Ministry - Africa Food for Thought - Naledi Hospice - Zandspruit - Baby Pack Donations <p>Growth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Orientation - Crossroads – Bible School - Emmaus/Chrysalis - Christian Leadership - Welties Library <p>* Critical ministries which need your involvement and commitment</p> <p>We are His hands and His feet. We are called to witness and serve in His name. Let the Holy Spirit guide you into His service, to become an active member of this community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Women and girls</u> in the home, church, community, leadership/influential roles, in situations of abuse and suffering. - <u>Priorities</u> in our personal lives, church, country, world – where do we place our allegiance, faith, hope, dependence, resources, gifts? - <u>Justice and mercy</u> – aligning ourselves with God's character, seeing the signs, speaking out, living God's Kingdom values, protection of the needy, vulnerable, hurting, marginalised – asking for guidance in using our gifts, influence, tools and time to create a more equitable, Christ like society. - <u>Faithfulness</u> in prayer for our families, church, our government, for unity and peace in the world, for the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. - <u>Intercessory prayer</u> for those facing tough decisions and change in their lives. <p>Prayers: Dee Beyersbergen; Abby Cilliers; Carey Clarke; Cliff Eland; Ann Ferreira; Destri & Soraya Ferris; Duncan Fourie; Marie Havenga; Alison Horn; Michelle Jenkins; Terrence Johns; Cameron Martin; Reg Mazibuko; Bronwyn Mc Alpine; Margie Mills; Rachel Mncube; Jacques Müller; Judy Scott; John Strachan; Marge Theunissen; Heather Unwin; Dalene vd Westhuizen; Tarryn Wilkinson.</p> <p>Family Bereavement: Coysh; de Bruyn, Dube; Fourie; Kegopotsemang; Leibbrandt; Lisa; Mabaso; Mathonsi; Nqabeni; Qhina; Waqu.</p> <p>For urgent prayer, please contact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Janet Fourie on 082 556-1023 - One of the ministers, society stewards, or the church secretary.

Birthdays		
1 Soraya Ferris	8 Cindy Hampson	20 Gcina Khoza
2 Talita Segale	12 Simphiwe Dyowi	20 Jackie Schott
3 Arlene Anderson	13 Anne Vorster	22 Vuvu Mtebule
4 Traci Willis	14 Markus Retief	24 Sipokazi Swana
4 Mpumi Dlamini	14 Deidre Strydom	27 John Mills
5 Merle Webber	15 Gill Seebregts	29 Carol van Aswegen
7 Pam Jacoby	17 Fiona Dowie	31 Jill Watt

REGULAR EVENTS

Prayer Meetings	Fridays 18:00-19:00 Saturdays 08:00-08:30	Janet Fourie	082 556-1023
Women's Manyano	Sundays 11:00	Mandisa Mabaso	082 821-3669
Soup Kitchen	Mondays 08:00-09:00 Fridays 08:00-09:00	Sue Gelling Jenny Matthee	083 702-6455 083 469-6747
AA Meeting	Tuesdays 19:30	Gavin	082 491-7806
Drug Support	Mondays 19:00	Liza	083 278-9321

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Fellowship groups provide an opportunity to grow in our faith, and share our challenges, successes and experience on a familiar basis with a small group of like-minded Christian friends. Groups cater for different aspects of our spiritual growth, including Fellowship, Bible Study, Manyano, Young Adult and Youth.

Be a part of this critical aspect of your relationship and life with Christ within the Welties Community. For a full listing of available venues and times for fellowship groups, please look at the notice board in the foyer.

WELTIES DIARY – December 2020

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1 Dec	09:30	Tue	Women's Ministry		Welties
3 Dec	19:00	Thu	Discipleship Formation Study Series		Sanctuary
6 Dec	09:00	Sun	Advent 2		Sanctuary
6 Dec	18:00	Sun	Carols Service		Sanctuary
9 Dec	10:00	Wed	Young at Hearts		Welties
10 Dec	19:00	Thu	Final Discipleship Formation Study Series		Sanctuary
13 Dec	09:00	Sun	Advent 3		Sanctuary
14 Dec	19:00	Mon	Welties Exco Meeting		Zoom
20 Dec	09:00	Sun	Advent 4		Sanctuary
25 Dec	09:00	Fri	Christmas Day Service		Sanctuary
27 Dec	09:00	Sun	First Sunday after Christmas		Sanctuary

NOTICEBOARD**TITHING**


If you are not yet tithing and would like to, please speak to Mike or Marchelle du Toit on 082 851-1634.

LIBRARY

The Library is open on the first and last Sunday of the month after 09h00 Service. The library has many books and study aids you can take out and enjoy. Please feel free to come and browse to see what is available.

HOSPITAL/HOME VISITS

If you are going into hospital and/or would welcome a pastoral visit or prayer, please contact the church office.

LECTIONARY READINGS						
6 Dec	Advent 2	Psalm 85:1-2,8-13, Isaiah 40:1-11, 2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark 1:1-8				
13 Dec	Advent 3	Psalm 126, Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24, John 1:6-8,19-28				
20 Dec	Advent 4	2 Samuel 7:1-11,16, Luke 1:47-55, Romans 16:25-27. Luke 1:26-38				
25 Dec	Christmas Day	Psalm 98, Isaiah 52:7-10, Hebrews 1:1-4,(5-12), John 1:1-14				
27 Dec	Christmas Sunday	Psalm 148, Isaiah 61:10-62:3, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40				
FINANCES	October 2020			October 2020 (Year to Date)		
	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance
Income	164 100	100 195	(63 905)	1 532 000	1 172 360	(359 640)
Expenditure	156 991	96 896	(60 095)	1 587 609	1 189 190	(398 419)
Surplus/(Deficit)	7 109	3 300	3 809	(55 609)	(16 830)	38 779
OUTREACH DISTRIBUTION – Nov 2020				BANKING DETAILS		
Gill & Harry - Ministers in Training		R	2 500	Name	Methodist Church of SA	
DACC		R	350		Weltevreden Society	
Naledi Hospice		R	1 000	Bank	FNB	
Zandspruit		R	1 000	Branch	Randpark Ridge	
Soup Kitchen		R	1 260		b/c 255955	
Pastoral		R	2 650	Account	56250015141	
Grocery Cupboard Restocking		R	500			
YOUR MINISTERIAL TEAM						
Resident Minister		Rev Sva Waqu			081 700-5515	
Children's Pastor		Kate-Lyn Anderssen			083 267-3682	
Office Administrator		Charmaine Hudson			011 675-1231	
Society Stewards	Growth	Lorraine Bovey			082 351-1286	
	Admin	Andy Fourie			082 494-3105	
	Community	Mpumi Dlamini			083 411-7697	
	Maintenance	Colin Schott			072 151-7180	
Society Treasurer		Thandi Moshoeshoe			082 849 6045	
Tithing Stewards		Mike & Marchelle du Toit			082 851-1634	
Church Office				TITHING ZAPPER		
cnr. JG Strydom/Amarant/Noupit 1715 Weltevreden Park 011 675-1231 011 475-8415		Email: wpmc@mwweb.co.za Web: www.welties.co.za		Scan here to donate or tithe		

ONLINE ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of activities and links which have been arranged to encourage an ongoing relationship with Christ.

If you would like to suggest another means of sustaining Christ's community, please contact one of the stewards or ministry leaders (contact details above).

Welties Notices (WhatsApp) for Church news and updates	https://chat.whatsapp.com/Hp9Jdn3qsRTG8MXNUYQo7Y
Welties Sermons Download (High Definition Audio)	https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B6B9ypPL_aUTNEMxUzBwZGIRSkU
Welties Sermons (Low Definition Audio)	Posted on Welties Notices WhatsApp Group (see above)
Fellowship Groups (Zoom)	For those interested in joining an online Zoom group, call Mpumi Dlamini at 083 411-7697 to find a day/time to suit you
Youth Fellowship Friday 17h00-19h00	https://discord.gg/hR2zr7
Young Adult Fellowship Wednesday 19h00-21h00	https://discord.gg/udJmtE
Welties Prayer Chain (WhatsApp) Anytime	https://chat.whatsapp.com/JXeNcfvmlGp3KPqigBTJLK
Friday Prayer Meeting (WhatsApp) Fridays from 18h00 to 19h00	https://chat.whatsapp.com/Co6XXObniu47QrbD6isfuM
Prayer with our Minister	For one-on-one prayer with Rev Sva, contact: Janet Fourie on 082 556-1023 or Rev Sva on 081 700-5515
Welties Website	https://welties.co.za
Welties Office	wpmc@mweb.co.za