

St. Luke's Newsletter

Have you had a touch of God on your life recently? Has God worked in a way that could ONLY be God? There are many 'little' ways that God works in our lives, please share these with others, it is so important to keep telling of the goodness God is doing in our lives.

Our deadline for our next newsletter is **Wednesday 5 October**, (but please don't wait until then to send in your contribution!), please either email it to shirley@stluke.co.za or bring your contribution to the office.

Simon's talks were recorded!

If you missed Simon's talks or would like to hear them again they are available on our website (www.stluke.co.za) and it is possible to have them on CD. You can order them from the office from Shirley... 011 728 7015.

If you would like the book *Creating Community*, it is available on Kindle or from www.loot.co.za or you can let the office know and Diana will add to her order.

FAMILY CROSS

Please pray for the recipients of the family cross every day during the week



This week's families

Next week's families (18 Sept)

07h30 Beth Ferrett
09h30 Ken Clemitson
18h00 Clive, Shirley, Bev, Natalie & Courtney Lacy

Next week's families (25-Sept)

07h30 Ernie & Pat Fisher
09h30 Glenda Collins
18h00 Quentin & Camilla Leeds

Following week's families (2 Oct)

07h30 Jane Chocho
09h30 Jacinda Coulter
18h00 Tshepo Malinga

Thursday's family (6 Oct)

09h30 Alan & Jill Lawson

St. Luke's Church, Orchards



St. Luke's seeks to build God's Kingdom by helping believers to develop a *covenant relationship* with God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—that will enrich our daily lives and equip us for service to others

18 Sept 2016

The Rhythm of Life

The first waymark in the *Creating Community* programme, which we address today, is entitled "Keep a Rhythm of Prayer, Work and Recreation".

In order to grow closer to God and to build a stronger community it is necessary to work. We work to build God's kingdom and most of us need to work to provide for ourselves and our families. The Bible speaks highly of work. God worked to create the world and Psalm 19 says that God reveals Himself to the world by His work.

But since the Fall work has become difficult. It is toil, and for many the necessary balance has been lost. While some would love to work but can't, others are so focused on their work that their work-life balance is lost to the extent that their families – and their health – might suffer.

The Bible is equally clear about the need for rest and re-creation. It's called Sabbath. A proper balance between work, prayer and recreation makes us spiritually more healthy - and probably more effective.

David

The Word of God

07h30 & 09h30— Holy Communion

Celebrant: Jerry Bailey
Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading Exodus 20:8-11

Psalm (07h30) Psalm 19:1-6

2nd Reading Hebrews 4: 1-11

Gospel (07h30) Matthew 11: 25-28

18h00— Holy Communion

Celebrant: Allan Williams
Preacher: Senzo Mbhele

Reading Exodus 20:8-11

Thursday-09h30—Holy Communion

Celebrant: & Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading Exodus 20:8-11

2nd Reading Hebrews 4: 1-11

Rector: Revd David Edwards

Senior Assistant Priest: Revd Allan Williams

Assistant Priest: Revd Janette Ross

NexGen Pastor: Jordan Theron

Church Wardens: Charles Sarjoo, Camilla Leeds, Isaac Takawira (alt) and Mondo Mazwai (alt)

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PRAYER FOCUS:

Thanksgivings:

- John Browne and his team on the Church Growth Portfolio

Our Parish

- Those who are suffering or ill, in hospital or at home: Kathleen Vincent, Beryl Bailey, Fiona Hopkins, June Smith, Anthea Cereseto, Jill Lawson, Margie Hoffe, Marie Myhill, Julie Faber, Carol Grauman (hip replacement)
- For us all to develop a lively sense of God in our lives
- Our Confirmation candidates going on camp next week: Zanna Goodenough, Austin Harris, Courtney Lacy, Tshepo Malinga, Thabi Mhlangu, Chris Ngosheng, and Zinhle Zimu; and their leaders: Michael, Spha, Vicky & Janette

Our Diocese and the Church

- Bishop Steve and his wife Liziwe
- For the power of the Holy Spirit to be evident in all our clergy

Our Country

- For our Government in these times especially all those in positions of authority
 - For Herman Mashaba, Mayor of JHB
 - For integrity in all our leaders
 - For peace as the new municipal councils begin operating
 - For all policemen and women, For all who use our roads to do so responsibly
 - Creativity in solving the drug crisis
 - For all educators, for them to remember the reason they 'teach', and learners to respect them
 - Rain! Especially in the catchment areas
- ### Our World
- all those living in the Middle East



Birthdays this week



- 19 Shane Chacko
Maria Mokaba
- 20 Mike Allin
Jill Lawson
Innocent Mkhonta
- 21 Pauline Hepple
James Ashton
Samantha Pollecutt
- 22 Jacinda Coulter
- 24 Joan Agaienz
John Symons
Emy Hulton



Anniversaries this week



- 19 Jimmy & Sarah
Myerscough 2009
- Mike & Linsey Sherman 1992

We remember in love those who have died 18—24 Sept

- 18 Sep 2015 "Red" Stewart
- 24 Sep 2014 Margie Ramsay

"The God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles" 2 Cor 1:4

Corporate Prayer @ St. Luke's

Corporate prayer is an important part of the life of the church. Corporate prayer edifies and unifies us as we share our common faith.

Please consider joining one or all of the Prayer Meetings that take place in our Church weekly. You are also welcome to join for just part of the prayer time.

Monday—Friday:

08h30—09h00: Morning Devotions

16h30—17h00: Evening Prayer

Monday

17h30—18h30: Prayers for St. Luke's

Thursday:

12h00—13h00: Prayers for our Country

Saturday (2nd Sat of each month)

09h00—10h00: Prayers for St. Luke's

All Welcome

ALL WELCOME:

Join us for the 6 week pilot of **"The Power Hour":**

A service for families to encounter God together.

All welcome. Kids encouraged.

4:45 - 5:45pm,
every Sunday from 23 October to 27 November 2016

In the Lighthouse Hall

Contact St Luke's office (011-728-7015) for more information or Jimmy (082-600-1812) or Sarah (082-374-5535) Myerscough, otherwise see you there.

Watering of our Gardens

We use Borehole water to water our gardens at St. Luke's—and this has been



our practice for many years. But we want to use our water responsibly so we will water early (before 09h00) in the morning and late (between 16h00 & 18h00) in the afternoon.

If you see us using water irresponsibly please be in touch.

Church Spring Cleaning Saturday 8 October from 08h00

Please join us as we clean the church. The more people, the sooner we finish! Cleaning materials & refreshments will be provided!

Everyone welcome—there are jobs suited to all ages and abilities! (list at the back!)



Dates to Diarise

- 8 Oct** Church Cleaning
- 14 Oct** Citchin Cook up
- 16 Oct** St. Luke's Day
- 23 Oct** Bible Sunday
- 1 Nov** All Souls' Service

Simon Reed's visit...

Creating Community...

What next?

Our Way of Life:

- Keep a rhythm of prayer, work and recreation
- Celebrate and care for creation
- Live as simply as possible
- Pursue Unity
- Be a life-long learner
- Heal whatever is broken
- Be open to the Holy Spirit and listen
- Pray for good to overcome evil
- Share Jesus and justice
- Journey with a Soul Friend

