

Prayer for the Week:

Heavenly Father, teach us to serve
and follow You;
help us to grow closer
to You every day
and fill us with Your peace.
And the blessing of Almighty God,
Father Son and Holy Spirit,
Be among you, and remain
with you - always.
Amen

Young Peoples Church ~NexGen Ministries

Little Candles is open on 2 October—but
will be closed on 9 October.

Lighthouse is open on 2 October—but
will be closed on 9 October.

Crossings is open on 2 October—but will
be closed on 9 October.

One Life is closed on 2 and 9 October.

There will be no youth or kids church on
16 October, but we do welcome all young
people to join in on the St. Luke's Day
celebrations at 08h30, followed by our
bring and share tea.

FAMILY CROSS

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



This week's families (2 Oct)

07h30 Jane Chocho
09h30 Glenda Collins
18h00 Tshepo Malinga

Thursday's family (6 Oct)

09h30 Alan & Jill Lawson

Next week's families (9 Oct)

07h30 Gary, Natalie & Jessica Fisher
09h30 Justin, Deidre, Isla & Ava Davel
18h00 Mervyn, Trudy, Catherine &
Dana Low

Following week (16 Oct)

No Family Cross

Prayer at St. Luke's - All requests are treated with confidentiality.

Should you have any prayer requests,
please contact the Office, or fill in the
form in the pews, which you can place
in the box at the back. These requests
are forwarded to the Intercessors.

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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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

2 October 2016

Live as Simply as Possible

Our Dedicated Giving Sunday is in two
weeks' time, on St Luke's Day, when
we will be thanking God for the
abundance of His provision for us,
while at the same time committing
ourselves to honour God by giving
generously to His service.

Everything we have is owned by God.
We have merely to look after it in this
life.

Faith requires us to trust God.
Trusting God is, as we have all learnt,
not as easy as it might sound.
However, if we really do trust God, if
we place our complete and absolute
faith in Him, the blessings that flow
are immense, and the peace that
follows is beyond all understanding.

David

The Word of God

Morning— Holy Communion

07h30: Celebrant: Allan Williams
Preacher: David Edwards

09h30: Celebrant: Jerry Bailey
Preacher: David Edwards

1st reading (07h30) 1 Chronicles 29 10-19

Psalm (07h30) Psalm 24

2nd Reading 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15

Gospel Matthew 6: 25 – 34

18h00— Holy Communion

Celebrant: Allan Williams
Preacher: David Edwards

Reading 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15

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Thursday-09h30—Holy Communion

Celebrant: & Preacher: David Edwards

Reading 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15

Gospel Matthew 6: 25 – 34

PRAYER FOCUS:

Thanksgivings:

- John Hoffe and his team on the Social Responsibility Portfolio
- Catherine (née Galloway) and Andrea Loukakis married yesterday
- Those being baptised at 18h00: Joshua-Jin Atkinson, Boitumelo Baloyi, Keletso Ramashia and Honey Sedibe,

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, Shirley Long (hip replacement), Margaret Paton (pneumonia)
- For us all to develop a lively sense of God in our lives

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
- The unrest on our University Campuses
- 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



Birthdays this week



- 2 Maki Mlambo
- 4 Anita Mokaba Margaret Paton
Jennifer Thornton-Smith
- 5 Tumi Monkoe
- 6 Kael Agar Linsey Sherman
- 7 Pauline Hanna
Penny Mackrory



Anniversaries this week



- 2 Eric & Felicity Myhill 1982
- 3 Gary & Natalie Fisher 1998
Brent & Patricia Fourie 1992
- 5 Gilbert & Wendy Miller 1985
- 7 Ronald & Pat Mackenzie 1950
Charles & Leona Sarjoo 1995

We remember in love those who have died 2—8 Oct

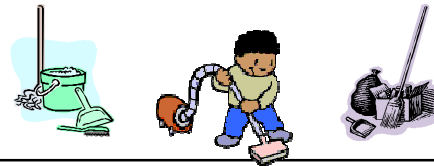
- 5 Oct 2003 Reg Bull
7 Oct 2014 Wilhelm Howe
8 Oct 2003 Suzanne Scott
8 Oct 2014 Graham Buchanan

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

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 of the Church!)



St. Luke's Day Sunday 16 October 2016 08h30

(one service only)

Please join us for our Birthday Celebration followed by a bring and share tea on the lawns (weather permitting).

We need contributions of both sweet and savoury plates of eats. There are lists up at the back for you to indicate what you would like to contribute—so please fill them in.

If you would like to be involved in the logistics of the day—please let Shirley know.

All Welcome

Citchin Cook Up

Please note that the date has changed! It will NOT be on 7 October but on 14 October.

Recycling our Waste

For a number of years now St. Luke's has been calling itself an Eco-Congregation. As such we recycle, by separating our paper, glass and plastics. There are bins for glass and paper outside the Andrew Murray Church in Oaklands Road, and at Hospice Corner cnr 9th & Louis Botha, Orange Grove.



St. Luke's Day Worship Group

Any interested singers and instrumentalists



Rehearsals:

Thursday October 13, 7 - 8.30pm
Saturday October 15, 2 - 4 pm

Service sound check;

Sunday 16 October 8.00am



Parking on St. Luke's Day

If you are elderly or infirm or feel that it might be too far to walk from the street to the hall, please contact Shirley for a parking ticket.

Only those with parking tickets will be able to park inside.

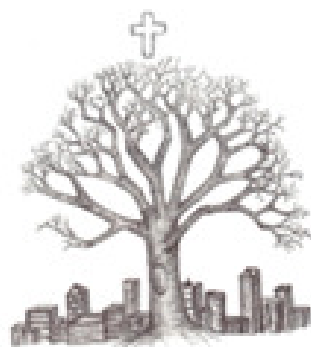
Simon Reed's visit ... Creating Community...

What next?

Series: A Way for Life

(looking at the 10 Waymarks)

As a community we are reflecting on what they might mean for us going forward. We may choose to change them slightly. There is a space beneath each point for you to think about what each means to you in your life each day. It is helpful to be specific and connect each to an action. You may well be doing these things already. These are not rules but ways of connecting more deeply with God and God more deeply with all of life.



Our Way of Life:

- Keep a rhythm of prayer, work and recreation (18 September)
- Celebrate and care for creation (25 September)
- **Live as simply as possible (2 October)**
- Pursue Unity (9 October)
- Be a life-long learner (23 October)
- Heal whatever is broken (30 October)
- Be open to the Holy Spirit and listen (6 November)
- Pray for good to overcome evil (13 November)
- Share Jesus and justice (20 November)
- Journey with a Soul Friend (27 November)

Sermon Outline – 1 October 2016 - Creating Community

The Third Waymarker: Live As Simply As Possible

I do want to point out, friends, that time is of the essence. There is no time to waste, so don't complicate your lives unnecessarily. Keep it simple—in marriage, grief, joy, whatever. Even in ordinary things—your daily routines of shopping, and so on. Deal as sparingly as possible with the things the world thrusts on you. This world as you see it is on its way out. –

1 Corinthians 7:29-31 (The Message)

In his book *Freedom of Simplicity* Richard Foster offers 10 suggestions of how simplicity might be achieved:

- Buy things for their usefulness rather than their status
- Reject anything that is producing an addiction in you
- Develop a habit of giving things away
- Refuse to be seduced by the marketers of modern gadgetry
- Learn to enjoy things without having to own them
- Develop a deeper appreciation for God's creation
- Avoid all forms of debt as far as possible
- Obey Jesus' instructions about plain, honest speech
- Reject anything that breeds the oppression of others
- Shun anything that distracts you from seeking first the Kingdom of God

The Community of Aidan and Hilda says this about living as simply as possible:

We wish to 'live simply that others may simply live', to avoid any sense of judging one another; and God will make different demands of each of us. Our common responsibility is to regularly hold before God our income, our savings, our possessions, conscious that we are stewards, not possessors of these things, and making them available to God as He requires.

A simple life-style means setting everything in the simple beauty of creation. Our belongings, activities and relationships are ordered in a way that liberates the spirit; we cut out those things that overload or clutter the spirit.

We are not seeking a life of denial for we thoroughly rejoice in the good things God gives us. There is a time to feast and celebrate as well as to fast...

See also Ray Simpson of the Community of Aidan and Hilda on simplicity :

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mZie0ZPT_QU