

community news

rejoicing, grieving & praying together

birthday list this week

mon	
tue	Brian Rogers, Belinda Mbatha
wed	Wayne Senekal, Elias Mthethwa, Rose Stone
thu	Etienne du Plessis
fri	
sat	Sheldon Roopnarain, Neliswa Xaba
sun	Maureen Vosloo, Lindiwe Mthembu

prayer list

Please let us know of birthdays, anniversaries, good news to celebrate, prayer needs or any corrections needed.

Dillon Hartley, Sue Canny, Shirley and Ken Dixon, John & Cheryl Coburn, Alexander Jones, Derek & Merle du Toit, John van Dyk, Hennie Du Toit, Carol Ayres, Betsy McPhee, Marelize Cousens, Gloria Matthews, Nyria Weaver family, Westy Thring's family, Gavin & Bev Mare, Arthur Jacob, Peggy Jones, Merina Botha, Anne Pitt-Kennedy (Jeanne Haley's mum), Izzy Randall & Family, Harem Larkens, Delina van Heerden, Liza Veale, Megan Polinghome, Heather Attwood, Wayne Ross-Kent, Marion Leddie, Ron Green & Margie, Trevor & Sharneen Thompson's son Rowan, John Garrow, Terry Clayton, Marlene & Barry Schwartz, Grant Pienaar & Family, Sharon Maree family, Jean White, Jones Family.

Disciplines 2022 Daily Devotions now available to order @ R200.00. A book of Daily Devotions for the whole year. Please place your name on commitment list in foyer.

We're ready to start having tea after services again (assuming we have the people-power to serve it!) Please let Janet know if you can help. *Only one couple have responded so far for 8:30!*

GriefShare Course

A clipboard is available for you to sign up for our next GriefShare course, which includes a module focused specifically on the loss of a spouse. You may also contact the office or Kathy Cowie for more information. The "Grieving of a Spouse" will take place on Friday 19/10 @ 9h00 – 11h30 All welcome (Men / Women)

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CONNECT

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Also, visit our website (www.umc.org.za) to connect with the wider UMC community. Find out about our WA, Men's fellowship, youth and Sunday School.



SERVE

Not sure where to serve? Start with helping out on a Sunday, meet some people and find where you fit. (See www.umc.org.za/sunday-teams)

For community mission projects, find out about our WA, sewing group and Khanyisa projects



GIVE

Call our office or sign up through the Journey App to join our planned giving programme.

Bank details
MCSA – Umhlali Society,
FNB Ballito (250102)
Account: 53731585578



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community diary

coming up at UMC

- 19 Nov** Grieving the Loss of a Spouse
9am -11:30
- 25 Nov** Women's fellowship (09h30)
- 27 Nov** Quiet Morning – 9am. Sign up in the foyer.
- 28 Nov** Farewell Service (08h30) for Michael Bishop

Sunday 21 November 2021

	08H30	10h00
Steward		Sue Wills
Door	Candace & Kenny Padayachee	Dorothy Engelbrecht & Megan Smith
Computer	Connie Thomson	June Garner
Reader	Candice Hendrikz	Elaine Kullin
Flowers	Netta Southwood	

notes

what is God saying to you today?

Scripture Hebrews 10:11-14,19-25
Reader **08h30** Netta Southwood
10h00 Des Galloti

sunday blog

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We've been talking for nearly two years about 'getting back to normal', haven't we? We're not there yet, but last Sunday's service felt to me a lot closer to 'normal' than we've been throughout the pandemic. Yes, we were still masked and smearing our hands with sanitizer, but we had two well-attended services and, especially encouraging for me was the number of children/youth who were back in our 08h30 service.

Children seem to be so resilient and able to cope with a rapidly changing environment, but the pandemic has made their experience of church very difficult and disrupted. While we were all content to grab a cup of coffee and join in the services online, watching church on TV was initially interesting for children but not sustainable for months on end - I saw this firsthand in our family :)

Rose and Ozzy and our team of volunteers have worked so hard over the duration of the pandemic: recording Godly Play stories for YouTube and meeting online, but it has been difficult and at times discouraging for them. So, seeing our UMC children back together with the team on Sunday was fantastic!

Speaking of children, it's been lovely to participate in two baptisms over the last week (we welcomed Emily Gibson last weekend and little David Mansfield this morning) and also to meet Mbongeni and Khanya Mabuza's little boy in our thanksgiving service last week. These little ones in our community should have us looking around the church building and asking how we can make our space more welcoming to young families. We have some thoughts about using the foyer as a cry room – speak to Rose if you can help or have any ideas.

Michael

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