

# 14 March 2021

## Fourth Sunday in Lent



### All Saints Anglican Church

*Encountering the love of God in our relationships, sharing our journey as we discover God in the plan and learning to trust God in and for every situation.*

#### THE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Readings: Numbers 21: 4 - 9  
Ephesians 2: 1 - 10  
Psalm: 107: 1 - 3, 17 - 22 (pg.742)  
Gospel: John 3 : 14 - 21



#### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of judgement,  
You reach out to us in mercy even when we rebel :  
Soften our hearts with the warmth of your love,  
that we will know your Son alive in us :  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever.  
Amen

#### MESSAGE FROM REV'D ANASTASIA

##### "LIVING IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE"

Beautiful saints, planted by grace in this place, peace be with you.

Our Gospel for today is one of the most quoted by believers. And as we enter our last portion of this Lenten journey I hope that you hear these words in a fresh way. *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life"*

In the readings for today we hear of the astonishing and unexpected means by which God seeks to deliver us. Deliver us from sin and death, from darkness and despair, from living lives not worthy of who we are created to be. And the readings also help us to understand that ultimately we need to grab ahold of this gift of grace, beginning with an acknowledgement of the depth of our brokenness, sin and need for God's healing love. And this is the purpose of the Lenten journey. To allow our sin to be revealed, to grow in our desire for God's great healing love and to surrender our lives to that work of God in and with and through us. We are invited by God to bring our deepest fears and vulnerabilities into the healing light of that love. We are encouraged to come knowing that the purpose is not to condemn but to liberate. We are asked today to trust God. Trust God's intentions, trust God's covenant with us, and trust God's passionate love.

As we move into this week I hope that this knowledge of God's love will allow each of us to face the darkness inside and around us, seeking to bring it into God's light and experiencing the healing that comes from this.

I am praying for you, please continue to pray for me.

With love and light on you and yours.



## NOTICES

**MESSY CHURCH: Today, 14 March @ 3pm.** Bring your families and friends for a relaxed and creative afternoon building relationships and exploring the gospel in the context of a deeper, lived faith. All ages welcome. If you can't join us, please pray for us!

**Children's Church: Today @10h00 is our first virtual session!** We will be in person on Palm Sunday 28th March. Please be sure to indicate when you sign up for service that your child will be attending.

**Men's Fellowship & Decorating of the Church:** Join us 27 March @ 10h00 followed by a bring and braai.

**Palm Crosses:** Please join us 27 March @ 10am to make the crosses for Palm Sunday

**Women's Fellowship and Flower arranging :** We have planned a fun morning of fellowship while flower arranging and sharing ideas for our Easter flowers. You can bring a plate of snacks that can be easily/safely shared. **Saturday, 3 April @ 11am.** Send a message to 0661327755 if you are attending

**Lent Course: "The Heart of God"** has begun! Please sign up for our next session on Tuesday 16 March @ 18h00. We can send you the zoom link by Tuesday morning.

**Thursday night Evening Prayer on line @ 18h00.** Struggling to choose and maintain a prayer discipline for Lent? Please sign up for this time of prayer & fellowship.

**We are starting a Young Adults VIBE Connection Group for post High School.** If you are interested in connecting with other young adults to share and grow in faith please contact Judith on 064 835 6010.

## Please pray for

Louisa Snyman, Graham Taylor, Colleen Butler, Ernie Mutch, Ronel Briers, Barbara Morrison, Gwen Alexander, Elaine Elliott, Shona Flemming, Peter McMurray, Talfryn & Liz Davies, Tish White, Thelma Muir, Luleka Mekane, Thembi Ndlovu, Jane Chithila Kapanga, Ada Rebelo, Judith & Colin Sims, Dorothy Carey, Adrian Krige, Mike & Carol Zingel, Nadene Twidale, Tony & Sue Poriazis, Rev. Bruce Smith, The residents of Evergreen Village, Arch Bishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Dilia DeCaires, Gerald and Margaret Ebertson, Cheryl & Bill Jearey, Rajan & Devendra Gounden, Clyde Van Zyl, Maseri Seretlo, Caitlyn Oliver, Kurt Ellis, Christopher Botha & Agnes Msane

We remember in love those who have died

(14 - 20 March)

Anthony Michael Mathers  
Michael Bosworth  
Timothy Jackson  
Natasha White  
Violaine Junot  
Vincent Keyter

We continue to pray for Lindi Kekana and her family during this time of bereavement



## Tiling of the Bell Tower

**One of our maintenance projects for the next month, is to tile the bell tower. If you have left over tiles or would like to donate tiles please contact the office. The area to be tiled is 3.7m by 3.1m**

## Parents-In-Waiting

Contact Heather:-(083-789-7311/  
hmaccserv@mweb.co.za) for any additions.



## Sign up for our services

Sunday, 21 March, 08h30 (in person service)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P\\_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiyZoLkxay0/edit?usp=drivesdk](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiyZoLkxay0/edit?usp=drivesdk)

Sunday, 21 March, 08h30 (online service)

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1TYpMJitVNRVrczoRw7sUpqw1gxX2AqQXH4gFnpOwRO8/edit?usp=sharing>

Sunday, 11 April, 10h00 (Sunday School online)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Cer17KwX4zGE0h\\_AFnG589XdbhKoTpAuQwOA2rm2nrM/edit?usp=drivesdk](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Cer17KwX4zGE0h_AFnG589XdbhKoTpAuQwOA2rm2nrM/edit?usp=drivesdk)

17 March, 09h30 (in person service)

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Just a reminder that in person services are limited to 50 people per service. All forms (in person and online) close at 5pm the day before. For those registered for online services, the link will be sent to you

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## PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS!

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