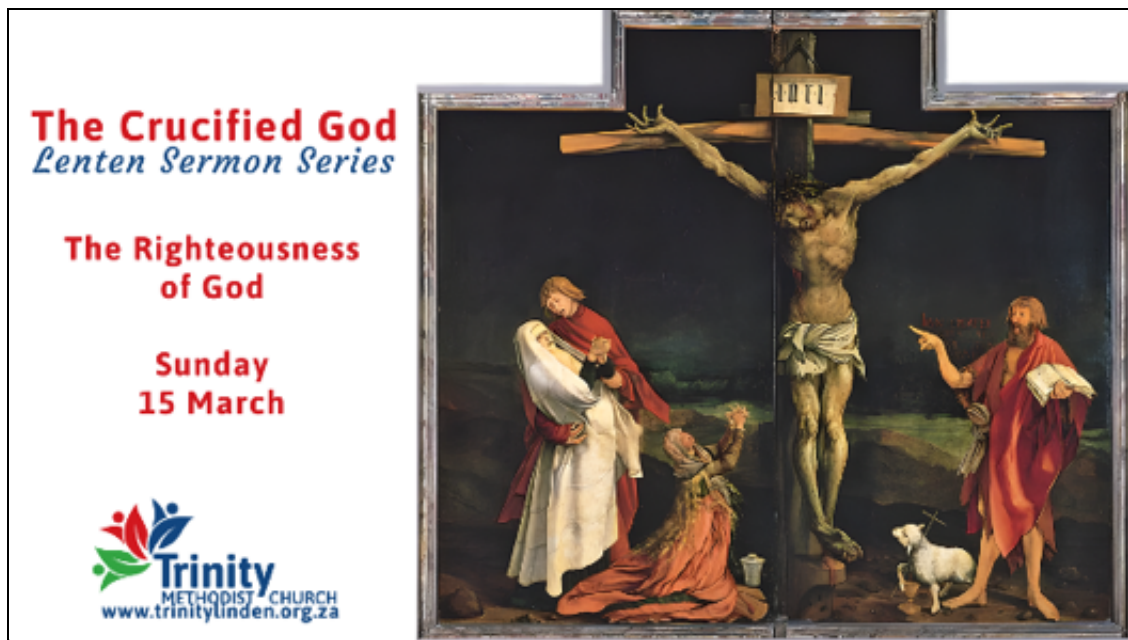




The Cross as the Righteousness of God

When we speak about the “righteousness of God,” many imagine a God whose justice must be satisfied by sacrifice. But what if the cross reveals something deeper? What if God’s righteousness is seen in a love that refuses to stand far off from suffering, but comes close—so close that God bears the pain of the world?

Join us this Sunday as we explore the cross as God’s solidarity with the suffering, and our calling to stand there too.



If you're planning to join us this week, these are the preachers and services you can look forward to:

7.30am Church | Traditional Service *with Holy Communion*

- John Wessels

9.30am Church | Fusion Service *with Holy Communion (also live-streamed)*

- John Wessels

9.30am Chapel | Connect Service

- Brett Mordaunt

11.30am Church | Kopanang Service

- Brett Mordaunt

6.30pm Church | Home Service

- Brett Mordaunt

After all our services there will be someone available to pray with you.

All our services are family friendly. All are welcome. Who are you inviting?

[Find our Sunday 15 March 9.30am Fusion Service livestream here](#)

All our livestreams remain available on YouTube as videos after our services. You can access them at any time using the link.

Lectionary Readings

This Sunday – 15 March

Fourth Sunday In Lent

1 Samuel 16:1–13

Psalm 23

Ephesians 5:8–14

John 9:1–41

Next Sunday – 22 March

Fifth Sunday In Lent

Ezekiel 37:1–14

Psalm 130

Romans 8:6–11

John 11:1–45

Vacancy At Trinity

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Upcoming Events

Pray for Holiday Club Leaders' Camp

Our Holiday Club leaders will be going on camp from 13 to 15 March. Please keep them, and the upcoming Holiday Club itself, in your prayers.

CIA Cancer Support



Our Christians in Action (CIA) Cancer Support Group meets again for a fellowship tea, and is open to people living with cancer, and family members.

Saturday 14 March | 11.00am to 1.00pm

The Breast Health Foundation will be leading us with an informative, powerful, and personal talk covering:

1. Personal breast cancer testimonies
2. Signs and symptoms of breast cancer
3. What to do if you notice any of these signs or symptoms
4. Myths and stigma surrounding breast cancer
5. An open Q&A session.

The event is open to all – you do not need to regularly attend the cancer support fellowship tea events, or Trinity.

Women's Auxiliary

Our next WA meeting is coming up, and we are celebrating International Women's Month!

Saturday 14 March | 9.30am for

10.00am to 1.00pm

We're hosting a fun and inspiring Women of Faith Quiz, and celebrating incredible South African women, global trailblazers, and women of faith who have shaped history.



We'll also share in a special reflection activity: "A Letter to My Younger Self" – a meaningful moment of encouragement, wisdom and gratitude.

New Member's & Information Evening



Your Invitation to Connection and Community

Would you like to feel more at home at Trinity? Whether you're new, exploring membership, or simply wanting a deeper connection, this evening is for you.

Thursday, 19 March | 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Come and:

- Discover the story of Methodism globally and in South Africa, and the journey of Trinity Methodist Church.
- Understand what shapes our identity and how we live out our faith.
- Explore our ministries and the impact we're making in the community.
- Meet Society Stewards, Staff, and Portfolio Heads.

A short series of preparatory videos will be available beforehand to help you get the most from the evening.

Tea and cake will be served.

To book, call Nomphele at the church office at 011 888 1740 or email Brett laypastor@trinitylinden.org.za

Young Adults

Looking for a space to meet great people, talk about real life, and explore faith without the pressure?

Welcome to The Gathering.

Each week brings something new — conversation, reflection, community, and snacks around the table. Come as you are and be part of something growing.



If you're 18–25 (or a little older and in a similar stage of life) – come join us.

Friday 20 March | 8.00pm to 10.00pm

Mens' League



Mens' League

**Every Second Saturday
of the Month**



7.00am to 9.00am

Our Men's League will meet every second Saturday of the month at Trinity, and you are invited!

Saturday 21 March | 7.00am to 9.00am

Seekers Confirmation 2026

Are you interested in being confirmed this year? Seekers starts on Sunday 12 April.

Join us for an information evening to meet Bronwyn, and to hear all about it.

**Sunday 22 March | 5.00pm |
Minor Hall**

All are welcome!



**SEEKERS
CONFIRMATION 2026
INFO EVENING**

Live Like You're
LOVED

Date: Sunday 22 March
Time: 5.00 PM
Place: Trinity Methodist Church
Minor Hall



Thriving Mental Health Support Group



**Thriving Monthly
Mental Health Support Group**

Turning towards difficulty
– the power of surrender

Sunday 22 March | 3.00pm to 5.00pm

RSVP: 011 782 0367 | pastoral@trinitylinden.org.za



Thriving



Our Thriving Mental Health Support Group meets in March, and the theme is 'Turning towards difficulty – the power of surrender' (Examen Prayer; consolation and desolation).

**Sunday 22 March | 3.00pm to
5.00pm**

Easter Worship Experience

Join us on Palm Sunday for an Easter Worship Experience, 'The Hope of the Cross', presented by the Fusion Choir led by Neil

Bennett.

**Sunday 29 March | 8.00am and
9.30am**



THE HOPE
of the **Cross**

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The Fusion Choir - Led By Neil Bennett - Presents

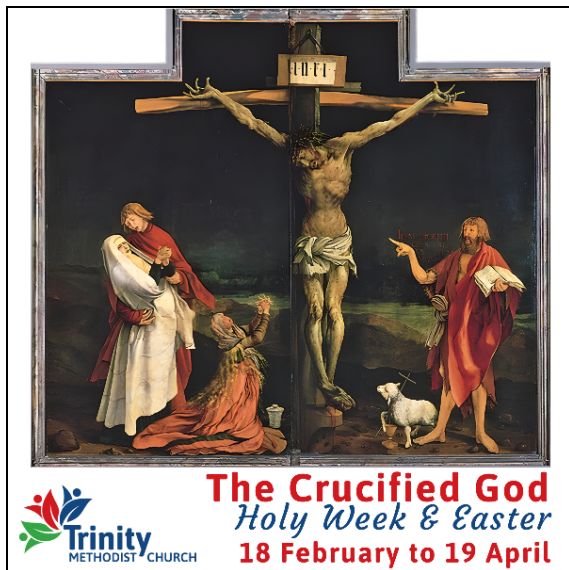
The Hope of the Cross
An Easter Worship Experience

Sunday 29 March
8.00am & 9.30am

www.trinityjordan.org.za

This is a great service to invite someone to! All are welcome. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us.

Holy Week and Easter Programme



You are invited to join any or all of the Holy Week services at Trinity Methodist Church, on the days that work for you, as we journey with Jesus to the cross. We are open to all.

Our theme for Holy Week 2026, 'The Crucified God', will prepare us for the Lenten journey, Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and beyond.

This is our abbreviated programme. For more detailed information, click on the button below.

Palm Sunday 29 April | Easter Cantata
8.00am | 9.30am | 9.30am | 11.30am | 6.30pm

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Monday 30 March

9.30am | 6.30pm

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Tuesday 31 March

9.30am | 6.30pm

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Wednesday 1 April

9.30am | 6.30pm

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Maundy Thursday 2 April | Tenebrae Service

9.30am | 6.30pm

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Good Friday 3 April

9.30am

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Holy Saturday 4 April | Remembrance Service

6.00pm

No livestream

[RSVP Essential](#)

Easter Sunday 5 April

6.00am | 7.30am | 9.30am | 9.30am | 6.30pm | No 11.30am service

[Livestream at 9.30am](#)

Detailed Holy Week Programme

Remembrance Service Info and RSVP

'The Crucified God' Sermon Series Info and Links

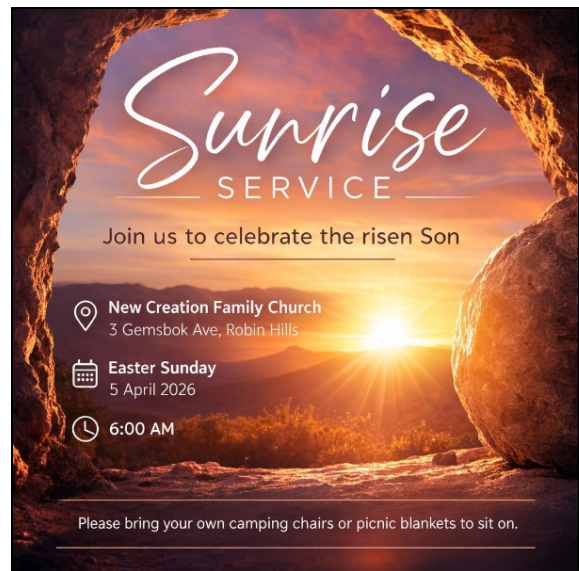
Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

Join us to celebrate the Risen Son.

**Easter Sunday morning | 5 April |
6.00am**

New Creation Family Church, 3
Gemsbok Ave, Robin Hills

Please bring your own camping
chairs or picnic blankets to sit on.



Holiday Club – Join the Flock!

Invite the kids of your family, your
friends, your colleagues, and your
neighbours!

Holiday Club 2026 is about to
start. For more information
and registration, visit our website
here: <https://www.trinitylinden.org.za/church-life/reachout/holiday-club/>



How You Can Help – Holiday Club

Join the Flock!

30 March – 2 April 2026

At Trinity Methodist Church,
Holiday Club isn't just a week on
the calendar — it's a space where
children feel seen, loved, and
reminded of who they are in
Christ. If you'd like to help create

Join The Flock

Do you want to volunteer at
Holiday Club 2026?

30 March - 2 April

Trinity
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Areas to get involved:

- Help team
- Small group leader
- Registration team
- Prep team
- Kitchen team
- Other

Ally - 074 430 4911 | Bronwyn - 064 501 3709

that space, we would love to have you on the team!

Holiday Club is always an amazing ministry opportunity for Trinity, as we reach our community in practical ways. Here are some ways in which you can help:

Donations still needed, please:

Coloured paper (black, brown, pink, white) | cardboard | cotton balls | double-sided tape | googly eyes | kids acrylic/poster paint (black, pink, white, brown) | old pillows | paper plates | permanent markers | pink paper | round paper lanterns (pink & white) | tissue paper (pink & white) | Prestik | Pritt glue | string | toilet paper rolls | typek paper boxes | biscuits | cereal | chips (small bags e.g. nikkaks) | coffee | cooking oil | hot chocolate | Oros | popcorn | rice | sugar | tea | tomato sauce

We also still need volunteers to lead our junior and senior groups.

Please sign up to volunteer using

this link: <https://www.trinitylinden.org.za/holiday-club-volunteers/>


We will also have a table on Sundays if you would like more info or for other ways to get involved – donations, making meals, sponsorships, etc.

For more information, please contact Ally at 074 430 4911 | Bronwyn at 064 501 3709 | children@trinitylinden.org.za

Sawubona Zulu Classes

Join our upcoming beginner-friendly Zulu classes, lead by Londeka Mabaso! For a start, this will be a 6-week journey.


Wednesday 15 April | 6.30pm



Sawubona!

6 weeks of Zulu Classes

Wednesday 15 April | 6.30pm



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As part of our strategic plan of inclusivity, we want to help learn just the basics of Zulu language. This will help you know how to greet and respond in Zulu. We will know the nouns and verbs together, and be able to foster better social cohesion, bridge cultural gaps, and show respect in our multicultural society.

Why Zulu? Statistics show that in our district – Central, Zulu is the most spoken language, that's why we've chosen it. Also, for English speaking people, Zulu will be the easiest of the vernacular languages spoken at Trinity.



At Trinity we celebrate our young people.

This is where you are invited to join us this weekend:

GroovyCrew | Friday Night Kids – Gr 0 to Gr 7

You're invited to join us at
GroovyCrew.

This week will be a movie night!
Please bring your own blankets

and pillows.

**Friday, 13 March | 5:30pm –
7:30pm**



Thrive | Friday Night Youth – Gr 8 to Gr 12



Join us this week at Thrive Friday Night Youth. It will be movie night, and we are showing 'Soul Surfer'.

**Friday 13 March | 8.00pm to
10.00pm**

Sparkling Kids Club | Sunday Morning Kids – Age 2 to 13

Join us on **Sunday morning 15
March | 9.30am**

The theme for this term is 'Living God's Way' – a series on the 10 Commandments, and this week we are talking about 'The Heart of the Commandments'.



Sparkling Kids Club

Trinity METHODIST CHURCH

Living God's Way
The 10 Commandments

Sunday Mornings
9.30am

Sunday, 15 March

Grades 0 - 7

The Heart of the Commandments

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind... and love your neighbour as yourself." — Matthew 22:37-39

Meet outside the chapel for worship.

Sunday Morning Teen Church – Gr 8 to Gr 12



JOIN US FOR

Trinity METHODIST CHURCH

TEEN CHURCH

SUNDAYS | 9.30AM & 11.30AM
Grades 8 - 12

From Becoming → Lent:
Making space for God

Faith that can handle real life.

Join us on **Sunday morning 15 March | 9.30am OR 11.30am** for Teen church!

The topic is 'From Becoming to Lent: Making Space for God'.

Sunday Morning Kopanang Kids – Ages 2 to 13

Join us on **Sunday morning 15 March | 11.30am**, for our Sunday Morning Kopanang Service Children's Church.



Save the Dates

What is coming up at Trinity Methodist Church Linden?

- * Friday 13 March to Sunday 15 March – Holiday Club Leaders' Camp
- * Friday 13 March – Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Friday 13 March – NO The Gathering: Young Adults
- * Saturday 14 March – Women's Auxiliary
- * Saturday 14 March – CIA Cancer Support Fellowship Tea
- * Thursday 19 March – New Members and Information Evening
- * Friday 20 March – Last Friday Evening Children & Youth of the term
- * Friday 20 March – The Gathering: Young Adults
- * Saturday 21 March – Human Rights Day
- * Saturday 21 March – Mens' League
- * Sunday 22 March – Thriving Mental Health Support Group
- * Sunday 22 March – Seekers Information Evening
- * Friday 27 March – NO Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Sunday 29 March to Sunday 5 April – [Holy Week and Easter](#)
- * Sunday 29 March – Palm Sunday
- * Sunday 29 March – ['The Hope of the Cross' Easter Cantata](#)
- * Monday 30 March to Thursday 2 April – [Join the Flock! Holiday Club](#)
- * Friday 3 April – [Good Friday Services](#)
- * Friday 3 April – NO Friday Evening Children & Youth

- * Saturday 4 April – Mens' League
- * Saturday 4 April – [Remembrance Service](#)
- * Sunday 5 April – [Easter Sunday | Resurrection Services](#)
- * Friday 10 April – Friday Evening Children & Youth Restarts
- * Sunday 12 April – Seekers Confirmation Classes Start
- * Wednesday 15 April – Sawubona Zulu Classes
- * Friday 17 April – Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Saturday 18 April – Mens' League
- * Sunday 19 April – Thriving Mental Health Support Group
- * 18 February to 19 April – Lenten and Easter Sermon Series "[The Crucified God](#)"

All Trinity services and events are open to all. You do not need to be a member of Trinity to attend. Who are you inviting?



We are praying for...

Just as the Good Shepherd takes the initiative to go in search of the lost sheep, so we pray that we would not simply sit back and watch the pain of our city, but that we would take initiative in the places where Johannesburg is struggling.

In our prayer we pray for the following 'lostness' of our city – not only asking God to fix the problems, but asking that we might be inspired to partner with God in seeking the wellbeing of Johannesburg:

Shape your prayer around some (choose three to five) of these areas of struggle in our city:

- **The ongoing water crisis**, where some residents go without reliable access to water.
- **Failing infrastructure**, especially dangerous roads, potholes, broken traffic lights, and collapsing systems that make daily life unsafe.

- **Electricity instability**, cable theft, and infrastructure vandalism that leave communities without power.
- **Gang violence and crime** that make neighbourhoods and suburbs unsafe.
- A **healthcare system** in which care is inconsistent for some and prohibitively expensive for others.
- **Severe corruption**, and the infiltration or participation of organised crime within parts of government and policing.
- **Waste collection failures and illegal dumping** that degrade neighbourhoods and harm public health.
- **Hijacked buildings, homelessness, and unsafe inner-city housing conditions.**
- **Economic hardship and unemployment** affecting many households in the city.
- **Weak governance and loss of trust** between residents and city institutions.

We're praying for...



**...policing that protects all
and restores trust**



There have been people who have asked for the intercessory prayer from last Sunday to be placed here:

On this third Sunday of Lent, as we acknowledge Jesus as Messiah — not merely as a title we give Him, but as the One we place ahead of us, the One we choose to follow into the future — we bring before God something that feels almost too difficult to pray for: the war involving the United States, Israel, Iran, and the wider Middle East.

Hebrews 10:2 – “Let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds

Matthew 5:9: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children

of God.

As this important issue is on all our minds, I ask that the congregation participate in the prayer.

When I say “Lord, in your mercy” – I ask the congregation to reply – “hear our prayer”.

Let us bow our heads in prayer:-

Father in heaven, we come to you as your sons and daughters. Our hearts are heavy as we see war rising again in the Middle East. We lift up to you the nations of Israel, Iran and the United States, and all countries that will be directly affected by this conflict.

Lives are at risk. Families are afraid. Innocent people will always suffer first.

Lord, we pray for those who have lost loved ones, homes, and security, that they may find comfort and hope.

Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer

Lord, You have created peace and urge us to embrace it—to turn our swords into plow shares and our spears into pruning hooks.

Lord, we humbly ask that the escalation of violence stop. Restrain the hands that are ready to strike. Calm leaders who are driven by fear, anger, or pride. Give them wisdom beyond politics. Give them the courage to choose dialogue over destruction.

Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer

Lord, we pray for soldiers sent into danger. For mothers who cannot sleep... For children who hear explosions instead of laughter. Protect them Lord. Lord shield them, we pray.

Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer

We also pray for peace in every troubled nation. In places forgotten by the news. In communities divided by hatred. Even in our own homes and hearts.

Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer

We pray for one another – That we would be true to Christ, who calls us to be peacemakers, who calls us to pursue justice, who calls us to love both neighbour and enemy.

Forgive us when we are indifferent. Forgive us when our words hurt. Make us instruments of your peace in all our families and households. Let that revival begin with us.

Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer

Jesus, you are the Prince of peace. Only you can soften hardened hearts. Only you can turn enemies into friends. Only you can put an end to every conflict and every division in distant lands, in our neighbourhoods in our families and in our hearts.

Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer

We ask this in the loving name of Jesus Christ our saviour. Amen.

Ways to Serve

Duke Student – Audra Marchese



We are looking forward to getting a student from Duke University in the United States joining us again this year.

Her name is Audra Marchese.

She will be here with us at Trinity from **19 May to 28 July**.

If you live close-ish to Trinity, and you have accommodation available for her to use during her stay, please contact our office to let us know? You can connect with Melanie at 011 888 1740 or info@trinitylinden.org.za.



John's Birthday Celebration

Sunday, after each one of our services, we had a celebration of John's birthday.

He had 650 slices of cake for the congregation to enjoy!

Thank you to the tea team, who served all the coffee and tea, and thank you to everyone who made John's day special!





The Gathering Young Adults Ministry

Last week we had our first 'The Gathering' young adults Friday night get-together, and it was attended by 17 young people!

They will meet again on Friday evening, 20 March.



Welsh Male Voice Choir



We recently had the Welsh Male Voice Choir lead us in worship at our Fusion service.

It was such a joy to see them in their smart green jackets, and to hear their lovely voices and harmonies!

The video of the service is still available on [our YouTube channel here](#), if you would like to hear them!



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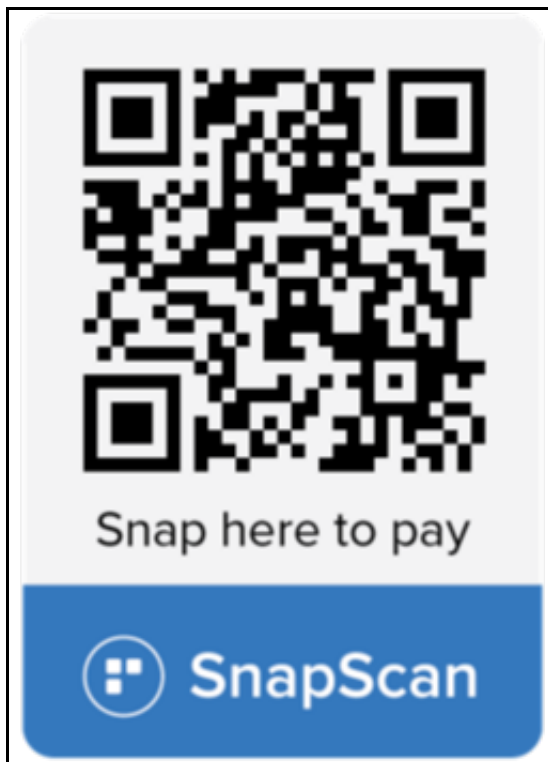
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We’d love to stay connected with you – but you can unsubscribe at any time!

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Trinity Banking Details

Methodist Church of Southern
Africa – Trinity Society
Standard Bank
Cresta Branch: 05-10-01
Account no: 200111760

You can learn all about sacrificial giving on our website here:
<https://www.trinitylinden.org.za/church-life/giving/>

Recent Sermons

Did you miss last Sunday's service? Or would you like to hear it again?
Would you like to share it with a friend?

You can find our past sermons in video or audio format, and the series booklets, by clicking on the link to our website here:

Find Our Past Sermon Series Videos, Audios, and Booklets Here

Find Our Video Services On YouTube Here

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