



The Practices of Belonging at Trinity

Activating Your Purpose in the Church (1 Peter 4:10).

We were all uniquely designed by God with specific talents and spiritual gifts. These gifts and talents are intended not for me alone, but to build up the Body of Christ. Imagine a puzzle where all the pieces are the same—it doesn't work! God has given us different gifts, according to the grace given to us. If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing?

Join us as we explore how our unique contribution is essential to the functionality of our church family. We have been entrusted with unique talents and gifts. Are we burying them, or investing them? 1 Peter 4:10 commands us to use whatever gift we've received to serve one another.

This Sunday's sermon will challenge and encourage us to use our gifts in service at Trinity and teach us how to move from being a consumer to a contributor, activating the gifts that bring joy to you and glory to God.

See you there!

We invite you to visit the Reach Out table this Sunday to hear more about how you can serve with us at Trinity.



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*

- Londeka Mabaso

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

- Londeka Mabaso

9.30am Chapel | Connect Service

- Brett Mordaunt

11.30am Church | Kopanang Service *with Holy Communion*

- Londeka Mabaso

6.30pm Chapel | 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 26 April 9.30am Fusion Service livestream here

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

Trinity's YouTube Channel

'Gather, Give, Grow' Sermon Series Info and Links

Lectionary Readings

This Sunday - 26 April

Fourth Sunday in Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

Next Sunday - 3 May

Fifth Sunday in Easter

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

Offering Prayer

On the last Sunday of every month this year, we will be praying our offertory prayer in recognition of the gospel impact of the congregation's financial giving on the ability to offer various ministries at Trinity.

This month we focus on **Children & Young Families**.

The continued financial giving of this congregation enables the Children & Young Families ministry at Trinity to be a place where faith can take root from the very earliest years of life. Through your generosity, we are able to create safe, welcoming, and engaging spaces where children can encounter God in ways that are meaningful to them, and where families are supported as they grow in faith together.

This was seen so clearly at our recent Holiday Club, where **126 children and 50 volunteers** joined us over the week. Each day was filled with laughter, games, worship, and opportunities to hear about Jesus in ways that were

accessible and exciting. Many of these children are not regularly part of our church community, which means that for some, this was their first real experience of church.

We heard feedback like, “*Thank you for creating this space for my child,*” and “*My children are still singing the songs that they learnt at Holiday Club.*” One parent shared how their child wants to now start attending GroovyCrew on Friday nights because he enjoyed Holiday Club so much – small moments that point to something much deeper: seeds of faith being planted.

None of this happens by accident. It is made possible through the resourcing of materials, spaces, and leadership development, as well as the equipping of our incredible volunteer teams who give their time so generously.

We are deeply grateful that through your giving, Trinity can continue to invest in the next generation – creating spaces where children are known, loved, and invited into a lifelong journey of faith.

Vacant Position – Please Share With Family And Friends



**Applications open
for
Church Administrator**

Trinity Methodist Church, Linden looks forward to receiving suitable applications for an experienced Church Administrator who is a committed Christian, as well as being comfortable and accepting of Methodist theology and ethos.

The individual must be dynamic, outgoing, a self-starter and able to work in diverse settings - from large group gatherings to small or one-on-one meetings. The main objectives of the role are to support the ministers and pastors to fulfil the requirements of portfolios and to support the mission objectives of the Society through administrative organisation of the church property and calendar.

A detailed spec and overview of the position is available on request. Please contact Brett at laypastor@trinitylinden.org.za or 011 888 1740 for more information, or to send a CV with covering letter.
Applications close on Monday 27 April 2026.

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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**.



Hello Trinity!

My name is Audra Marchese I am a first year MDiv student at Duke Divinity School in Durham, North Carolina in the United States. I love reading, sports, the outdoors, and anything in community! My hope for my future is to take on a pastoral role within a church.

I am passionate about adult discipleship, community building, and preaching! I am very excited to be with you all this summer. I can't wait to see the amazing community I have heard so much about and learn the ins and outs of everyday life in South Africa.

When you see me, please do not hesitate to introduce yourself! I ask that you all pray alongside me for my time with you all!! Blessings and I cannot wait to meet you!

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.



Upcoming Events

Young Adults



Welcome to The Gathering. Each week brings something new — conversation, reflection, community, and snacks around the table.

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

Friday 24 April | 8.00pm to 10.00pm

Market Sunday

Join us at Market Sunday, before and after our 9.30am services.

Sunday 26 April

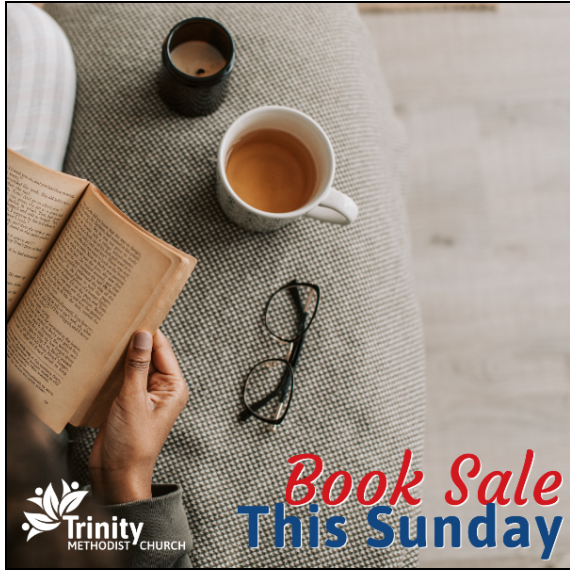
If you would like to host a stall, please contact Nomphele at 011 888 1740 or

reception@trinitylinden.org.za



Book Sale

Calling all Book Lovers, Book Worms and Bibliophiles!



Visit our book sale this Sunday. Donations have been pouring in, so there is lots to choose from: novels, classics, children's books, gardening books, Christian books and much more!

Books are R10.00 each (cash only, please) and all proceeds go towards buying new books for our Trinity Library.

Mens' League

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

Saturday 2 May | 7.00am to 9.00am



Prayer for Trinity

Join us at our Trinity Prayer Morning.



Saturday 9 May | 9.00am

We will hear about and pray for some of the specific needs and the people involved in our church.

The ministries we will be praying for are Youth and Young Adults, Children and Young Families, Finance and Stewardship, and Worship.

Christians In Action Cancer Support Tea

Our CIA Cancer Support Ministry is celebrating their first anniversary, and they are organising a special tea.

Saturday 9 May | 11.00am to 1.00pm

You are invited to wear something lilac – a colour that represents all cancer.

A logo for 'Christians in Action for Cancer' featuring a purple ribbon with a heart-shaped tree inside. The text 'Christians in action for cancer' is written across the ribbon.

Christians in Action for Cancer
Fellowship Tea
Saturday 9 May
11.00am to 1.00pm
Open to people living with cancer
and family members
RSVP Eunice 083 259 5724

The Trinity Methodist Church logo, featuring a stylized cross and the text 'Trinity METHODIST CHURCH'.

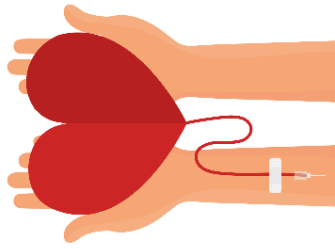
Open to people living with cancer and their loved ones. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us!

Blood Drive

At Trinity we serve our community in many different ways. One of those ways, is to donate blood.

Blood Drive

**Sunday 10 May
8.00am to 1.30pm**



Whether you are a new or regular donor, you are invited to join us. It only takes a few minutes, you get free juice and biscuits and sometimes a gift, and you can save a life!

**Sunday 10 May | 8.00am to
1.30pm**

Seniors

Our fabulous Seniors ministry meets again, and Hilton Rens speaking on Security and how to be aware what goes on in our world.

Wednesday 13 May | 9.30am

All are welcome. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us.



For more: 011 888 1740 | reception@trinitylinden.org.za

Ascension Services

You are invited to join us at our Ascension service.

**Thursday 14 May | 9.30am &
6.30pm**

All are welcome.



Women's Auxiliary

Our next Women's Auxiliary meeting is in May.

Saturday 16 May | 10.00am to 12.00pm

All are welcome. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us.

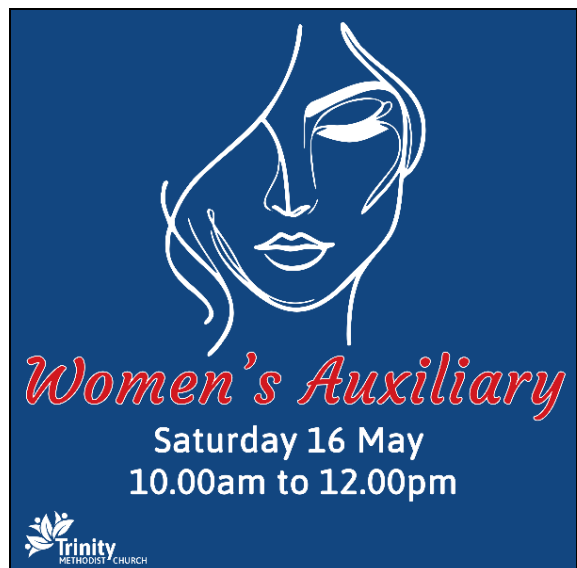


Table Talk at Orange Farm

We are just a few weeks away from the Table Talk event at Orange Farm!

The team, with the help of a group from The Place of Hope, has been very busy putting plans into place over the last few months. We're excited for what the day will hold

REAL HOPE IN JESUS

Eat together. Listen together. Talk together.

Come and discover...

- Where is God?
- Real Hope in Jesus.
- Why was I born?



Saturday 16 May
8am - 5pm

Place of Hope
7968 Drieziek 5,
Orange Farm

Lunch, snacks & drinks provided
All are welcome

Free • **Registration required** •

Tshifhiwa 079 213 1067 | Liesl 083 995 3433

and are trusting that it will be a really meaningful and impactful event.

We are needing your help in a few ways please...

1. We are still looking for a few more people to **facilitate** the small group discussions. You will need to be available for the whole day on 16 May and for training at Orange Farm on the Saturday morning a week earlier (9 May).
2. On the facilitator training day we will be serving sandwiches and biscuits at teatime and are looking for **volunteers to provide these eats**. There will be about 35 people at the training.
3. We would appreciate **prayer** for the remainder of the planning, for the training day and for the event itself. We also have a dedicated WhatsApp prayer group where specific Table Talk prayer requests are posted and anyone is welcome to join that group.

If you're able to help out or would like to get involved with any of the above, please contact Liesl – 083 995 3433 or lieslmaryhendry@gmail.com, as soon as possible.

Seekers Camp

We will be going on our first Seekers camp from 22 to 24 May, in the Hekpoort Valley, Magaliesburg.

Please keep our young people in your prayers. This year is so important in their faith journey!

We are asking (*begging*) for competent adults to help with transport of

energetic teenagers there and back.

We aim to leave by 3.30pm on Friday afternoon, and come back by lunchtime on Sunday. Please WhatsApp our excited (*desperate*) Youth Pastor, Bronwyn, at 064 501 3709 or email youth@trinitylinden.org.za.

(Seriously... This is always one of her biggest challenges. Please save us all from her panic!)

Africa Day – Combined Service

Let us celebrate our combined African heritage at our combined Trinity service.

Sunday 24 May | 9.30am

Come dressed in your festive and colourful African finery!

All are welcome!



Thriving Mental Health Support Group



Our Mental Health Support Group continues the discussion in May on 'processing the news and protecting our nervous systems'.

Sunday 31 May | 3.00pm to 5.00pm

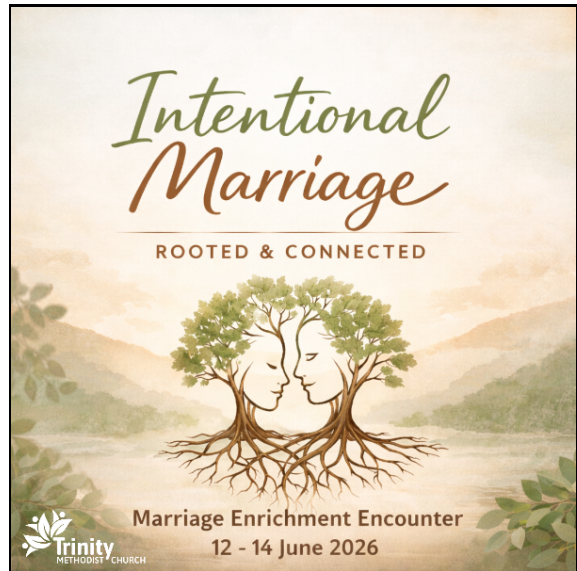
All are welcome. You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend Encounter

We invite you to set aside time to invest in your marriage relationship.

'Intentional Marriage – Rooted and Connected': Marriage Enrichment Weekend Encounter.

Child-Care will be available.
Cost – R500 per couple
(sponsorship is available).



Friday 12 June | 6pm to 9pm | includes supper
Saturday 13 June | 9am to 4pm | includes lunch, and
Sunday 14 June | 11.30am to 12.15pm

Contact care@trinitylinden.org.za for further details or to book your place.



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

Groovy Crew meets again on
Friday 24 April | 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

This week we are having a Talent Show-and-Tell.

Share a trick, joke, song, dance,

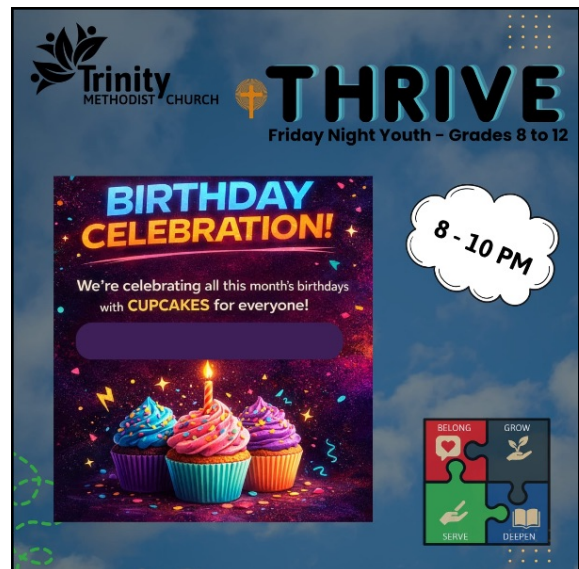


etc, or bring some interesting things to show the group.

Thrive | Friday Night Youth – Gr 8 to Gr 12

Our Thrive Youth Ministry meets on **Friday 24 April | 8.00pm to 10.00pm**, where we will be celebrating this month's birthdays with cupcakes for everyone!

All are welcome!



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

Join us on **Sunday 26 April | 9.30am** for Sparkling Kids Club.

This term our theme is 'Following Jesus Every Day', and this week we will be talking about 'Jesus Is With Us'.



All are welcome!

Sunday Morning Teen Church – Gr 8 to Gr 12, & Sunday Morning Kopanang Teens – Gr 8 to Gr 12

Join us on **Sunday Morning 26 April | 9.30am or 11.30am** for Teen Church.

After Easter... now what?

What if you still have questions?
What if you're not 100% sure?
What if your faith feels... shaky?



This week we're looking at Peter — one of Jesus' closest followers — who failed in a big way... and then found himself face to face with Jesus again.

Because failure isn't where your story ends.
And Jesus doesn't walk away from people who get it wrong.

If you've ever felt like you've blown it, or like you're not where you should be... this week is for you.

Sunday Morning Kopanang Kids – Ages 2 to 13



Join us on **Sunday Morning 26 April | 11.30am** for our Kopanang Kids.

All are welcome!



Save the Dates

What is coming up at Trinity Methodist Church Linden?

- * Friday 24 April – Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Friday 24 April – 'The Gathering' – Young Adults
- * 26 April to 24 May – Sermon Series Gather, Give, Grow
- * Sunday 26 April – Market Sunday
- * Monday 27 April – Freedom Day
- * Friday 1 May – Workers' Day
- * Friday 1 May – NO Friday Evening Children, Youth, Young Adults
- * Saturday 2 May – Mens' League
- * Saturday 9 May – Prayer for Trinity
- * Saturday 9 May – CIA Cancer Support Tea
- * Sunday 10 May – Mothers' Day
- * Sunday 10 May – Blood Drive
- * Wednesday 13 May – Seniors
- * Thursday 14 May – Ascension Day Services
- * Saturday 16 May – Women's Auxiliary
- * Saturday 16 May – Men's League
- * Saturday 16 May – Table Talk Orange Farm
- * Sunday 17 May – Prayer and Care Volunteer Training

- * Tuesday 19 May to 28 July – Duke Student: Audra Marchese
- * Wednesday 20 May to Saturday 24 May – Synod
- * 22–24 May – Seekers Camp
- * Saturday 23 May – Parents Workshop
- * Sunday 24 May – Pentecost
- * Sunday 24 May – Africa Day Combined Service 9.30am
- * Monday 25 May – Africa Day
- * Saturday 30 May – WA Jumble Sale
- * Saturday 30 May – Men's League
- * Sunday 31 May – Lectionary Sermon Series
- * Sunday 31 May – Market Sunday
- * Sunday 31 May – Thriving Mental Health Support Group
- * Friday 12 to Sunday 14 June – Marriage Enrichment Weekend Encounter

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...

This week we intercede in prayer for South African government institutions, particularly public hospitals.

Focus areas of the prayer:

1. Seeking divine intervention for integrity.
2. Improved service delivery.
3. Urgent restoration of infrastructure amid high corruption and resource shortages.
4. Healing for the sick, wisdom for healthcare staff, and urgency.
5. Pray against mismanagement in our health departments. Hospitals facing dysfunction which leads to a delay in people receiving attention. Pray for protection over patients' dignity and lives.

6. Pray for doctors, nurses, and administrative staff, that they remain strong despite high pressure and shortages. Pray that God grants them wisdom, compassion, and dedication to serve.

We're praying for...



...policing that protects all and restores trust




Tshepo Market

Please support Tshepo's upcoming market! Tshepo is a wonderful community organisation in our area.

Saturday 9 May | 9.00am to 3.00pm

Corner of Pendoring and Weltevreden Roads, Northcliff.

Upcoming Market	May 2026
08	09 Tshepo Market 
<p>Please help us advertise and support our community initiative Market Come see what our wonderful vendors has to offer</p> <p>9 May 2026 - 9:00 - 15:00 Corner of Pendoring and Weltevreden roads, Northcliff</p> <p style="text-align: right;">www.tshepo.org.za</p>	



Winter Warmer Drive

WINTER IS AROUND THE CORNER
AND A WOOL BANK IS HERE!

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Are you able to knit, to help keep some bodies warm?
We're asking for many to volunteer for this important ministry to the less fortunate, before the winter freeze sets in.

DON'T HAVE WOOL, BUT YOU'RE PREPARED TO KNIT?
No problem... we'll supply the wool; needles, and patterns

OR

YOU HAVE WOOL, BUT NO TIME TO KNIT?
No problem... we'd love to relieve you of your excess wool and needles

From 29 March, please look for the container marked **WOOL BANK**
Either add your wool, needles and/or patterns, or take what you need to be a part of this project.

What products are needed?
Beanies | Scarves | Mittens

Who are the items for?
The ministries supported by the REACHOUT Portfolio

When does the RO Portfolio need the items by?
31st May 2026

For more details contact:
Leanne 076 556 8620 | Lorna 079 645 1647

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Our Winter Warmer Drive is here and the Reach Out portfolio is asking for beanies, scarves and gloves for our recipients. These can be dropped off on a Sunday or at the church office during the week. This will operate as a bank – feel free to take wool and return the knitted items to us for the Winter Warmer drive OR deposit any of your own unused wool or needles into the bank. You will find the wool containers in the foyer of the church and chapel.

Who are the items for? The ministries supported by the REACHOUT Portfolio

When does the RO Portfolio need the items by? 31 May 2026

For more details contact: Leanne 076 556 8620 | Lorna 079 645 1647



Sewing Ministry

On Thursday afternoons we have a lovely sewing ministry, where people from our community can come to learn to sew.

Our ministry team is amazing, and

learning sewing skills is so empowering!

Thank you, Marjorie Cloete, for the photos!



...and here we have Donny Pillay in the outfit she made at Thursday's sewing classes.



What Ministry Looks Like

What we *think* ministry looks like,
versus what ministry *actually* looks
like;-)




Would you prefer to receive this newsletter via WhatsApp?

Would you like to receive Trinity's weekly updates via WhatsApp?

✔ **Step 1:** Save 071 089 9694 as a contact on your phone. Call it 'Trinity WhatsApp'. Or scan this QR code

✔ **Step 2:** Send a WhatsApp message with 'Correspondence' & Your Name to 071 089 9694

 *Stay informed.
Stay connected.
Sign up today!*



Want to stay in the loop with what's happening in the life of our church?

Get our weekly newsletter straight to your WhatsApp – it's the easiest way to stay updated with upcoming events, special services, and what's new in our community.

Here's how to join:

1. Send us a WhatsApp message that says "Please add me" + your name to 071 089 9694.
2. Very important! Save that number in your contacts – otherwise, WhatsApp won't deliver the messages.

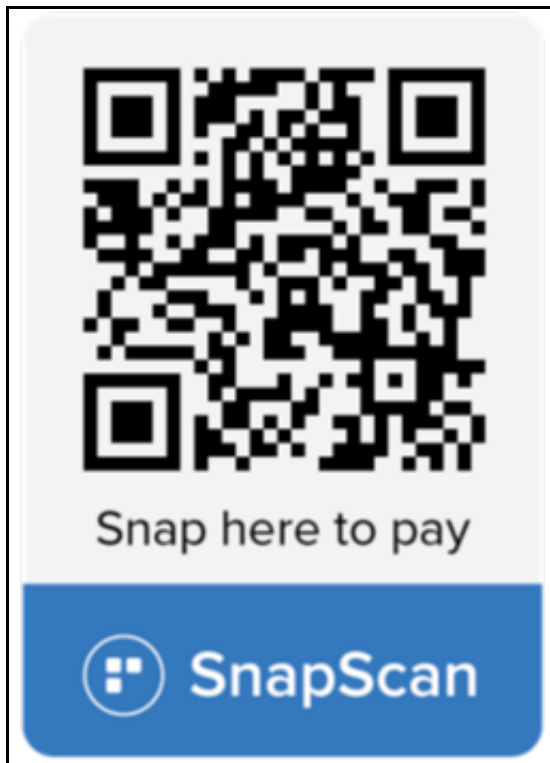
We'd love to stay connected with you – but you can unsubscribe at any time!

Sacrificial Giving

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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