



Embracing God's Will

Many of us have grown up believing God's will is something we need to find —almost like an Easter egg hidden somewhere. We worry that one wrong decision means we've missed God's plan forever.

Rather than asking, "What does God want me to do?", perhaps the better question is, "Who is God inviting me to become?" What if we've been asking the wrong question all along?

Over the next six weeks, Embracing God's Will invites us to slow down and rediscover the ancient practice of discernment. Together we'll explore the many ways God speaks and guides—through prayer, Scripture, the movements of our hearts, the circumstances of our lives, and the wisdom we find in faithful decision-making.

Based on Trevor Hudson's book, 'Discovering God's Will for Your Life', this series reminds us that discerning God's will is less about finding a hidden answer and more about learning to recognise God's presence in our daily lives.

Join us on Sunday, as we start this new series journey.



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 *also live-streamed*

– John Wessels

9.30am Chapel | Connect Service

– Brett Mordaunt

11.30am Church | Kopanang Service *with Holy Communion*

– John Wessels

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 July 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:

Lectionary Readings

This Sunday – 26 July

Ordinary Time

Genesis 29:15–28

Psalms 128

Romans 8:26–39

Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

Next Sunday – 2 August

Ordinary Time

Genesis 32:22–31

Psalms 17:1–7, 15

Romans 9:1–5

Matthew 14:13–21

We are praying for...

Offering Prayer

At the end of every month, our offering prayer at all our services focus on a different ministry or portfolio, and this week our prayer will focus on the Homegroups Ministry.

Please thank God and pray for the following:

- We thank God for the increase in Homegroups.
- We pray for those groups who have lost members through death this year.
- We thank the congregation and pray a blessing over their finances as they make provisions for all the on-site Homegroup gatherings.
- We pray for those who so generously host Homegroups in their homes for years.
- We also thank God for Bible study books that are donated, bought and distributed to groups.
- We pray for all the Homegroup leaders and class leaders for their diligence and obedience to God.

New Sermon Series – Embracing God's Will



This sermon series is based on the book by Rev Trevor Hudson.

Sunday 26 July to Sunday 30 August

You can find the sermon videos and sermon-based curriculum, when they become available, here: <https://www.trinitylinden.org.za/embracing-gods-will/>

We have 20 of Trevor's books available for purchase in our office at a special price of R60 per book.

When this batch of books is sold out we can order more, but it will be at the normal retail price. This book is also available at South African Christian book shops.



Upcoming Events

Mens' League

You are invited to join us for our men's ministry at any time! We meet every second Saturday morning.

Saturday 25 July | 7.00am to 9.00am



Market Sunday



Our next Market Day will be after our morning services in July.

Sunday 26 July | Before and after the 9.30am services

If you would like to have a table, please contact Nomphele in the office on 011 888 1740 or at reception@trinitylinden.org.za

Pastoral Care Training Opportunity

What is helpful for us to know about Trauma?

Sunday 26 July | 2pm to 5pm | Chapel

It is open to all. You do not have to be in a specific role in the church to

attend. Please do come along if you are interested.



Pastoral Care and Prayer Volunteers

Prayer and Care Volunteers Training

**Sunday 26 July
2.00pm to 5.00pm**


www.trinitylinden.org.za

Trauma is a word that's become more familiar to us, but what is it really all about? What is helpful for us to know about Trauma when we support others? How does Trauma show up in the church setting and what can we be doing about it?

This training is aimed at exploring these questions and more together as fellow believers seeking to understand and support both ourselves and those around us.

Divorce Support Group



Healing day by day

Divorce Support Group

Divorce Support Group
Every Second Thursday
6.30pm to 8.30pm | Chapel



Our Divorce Support Group meets every second week.

Thursday 30 July | 6.30pm to 8.30pm

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

Seekers' Weekend

Our confirmands are going on a Seekers Weekend, 31 July to 2 August.

Please pray for this group of young people and their leaders, as they grow in their faith journey together with God.

Strategic Planning Morning

We start the process of discerning God's dreams for and through Trinity, in 2027 and beyond.

Saturday 1 August | 8.30am – 1.00pm

YOU are part of our community, and are welcome and encouraged to join us! Your thoughts and presence add to the richness and fullness of this process.



Old Testament Survey Course



Module 4 of the Old Testament Survey Course covers the Major Prophets – Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel to Daniel.

Tuesday 4 August | 6.30pm

All are welcome. You do not have to have attended any previous modules to join us.

You can find more information and registration here: <https://www.trinitylinden.org.za/old-testament-survey-course/>

Divorce Care Course

Our next Divorce Care course starts in August, and runs for 13 weeks.

Thursday 6 August | 6.30pm to 8.30pm

The cost of R250pp includes your manual.

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



We welcome those currently facing or still healing from a divorce or separation. This will be a safe space in which to gain support and strength to assist with this process.

Some of the weekly themes are: deep hurt; road to recovery; anger; grief & depression; loneliness; financial & legal issues; and so much more!

You can find more information and registration here: <https://find.divorcecare.org/groups/296481>

Trinity Retreat – A Tapestry of Grace

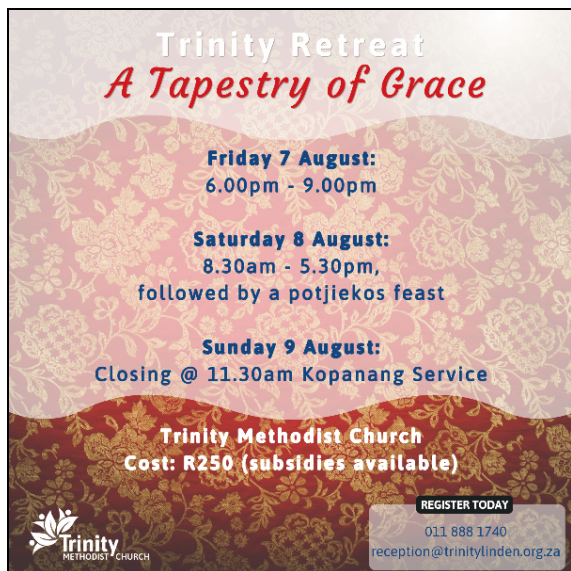
Registration is open for our Trinity Retreat.

Our theme is 'A TAPESTRY OF GRACE', based on 1 Corinthians 12:12–14.

Place: Trinity Methodist Church
Cost: R250 (Subsidies available)

Friday 7 August: 6.00pm to 9.00pm.

Saturday 8 August: 8.30am to 5.30pm, followed by a potjiekos feast.



Sunday 9 August: Celebratory closing service at the 11.30am Kopanang service.

[Click here to register online.](#) Registrations close on 3 August.

Please let us know if you are willing to help us with making a potjie, or if you could lend us a pot.

All are welcome – children and youth are also invited! You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us.

Seniors

Our seniors are meeting in August. We are having an organ recital with Jonathan Vieler.

Wednesday 12 August | 9.30 for 9.45 | Sanctuary | Tea to follow

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



Is AI Safe For My Child? – Parents' Workshop



Curious about Artificial

Is AI safe for my child?

What is AI? How does it work?
How can I work with AI so it is beneficial?
How can AI be integrated into learning?

Trinity Methodist Church | 15 August 2026 | 9am - 11am

Parents | Caregivers | Guardians | Anyone working with children



Intelligence and what it means for you and your family?

Join us on **Saturday 15 August | 9.00am – 11.00am | FREE**

This is for parents, caregivers, guardians, and anyone working with children. We'd love to see you there!

Join us for this free, practical workshop featuring three guest speakers who will explore:

- What AI is and how it works
- How AI can be used responsibly and for our benefit
- How AI can support learning and education

Whether you're a parent, educator, student, or simply interested in understanding AI, this workshop is designed to give you practical insights and helpful tools for navigating our rapidly changing world.

Table Talk: Farina



Our next Table Talk evening will be held at Farina Restaurant, across the road from Trinity.

Wednesday 19 August | 6.30pm – 9.00pm | Cost: R50pp

You are encouraged to invite family, friends, neighbours, and colleagues. All are welcome! You do not have to be a member of Trinity to join us.

John Wessels will be speaking about 'What Your Dreams May Be Saying – A Non-Religious Introduction to Dream Interpretation'.

Please register by calling Nomphele in the office at 011 888 1740 or online at <https://www.trinitylinden.org.za/table-talk/>



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

GroovyCrew is back this week! 🤩
and we are starting up again with a
games night, something fun to get
us back into the zone ⚽

Friday 24 July | 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Hope to see you tomorrow! 🤞



Thrive | Friday Night Youth – Gr 8 to Gr 12



Our Thrive Friday Night Youth
Ministry is back!

**Friday 24 July | 8.00pm –
10.00pm**

You are invited to join us for a
bring-and-share welcome back
social.

The Gathering – Young Adults

Our 'The Gathering' Young Adults are back.

Friday 24 July | 8.00pm to 10.00pm

All are welcome!



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

Sparkling Kids Club
This term:
Heroes of Faith

Sunday Mornings
9.30am & 11.30am

Sunday, 26 July

Grades 0 - 7

Noah - Trusting God When You Don't Understand.
"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1

Meet outside the chapel for worship.



Sparkling Kids Club is back!

Sunday 26 July | 9.30am

This term we will be learning about the Heroes of Faith, and our first Hero is Noah ✨ We will hear his story, and learn how we can trust God even when it's difficult 🙏

See you on Sunday 🥰

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

Join us this Sunday for worship and

fellowship at Teen Church. We will be sharing about our 2 upcoming series for this term.

Sunday 26 July | 9.30am OR 11.30am

See you there!



Sunday Morning Kopanang Kids – Ages 2 to 13



Our Sunday Morning Kopanang Kids Children's Ministry meets.

Sunday 26 July | 11.30am

All are welcome!



Save the Dates

What is coming up at Trinity Methodist Church Linden?

- * Tuesday 19 May to 28 July – Duke Student: Audra Marchese
- * Friday 24 July – Friday Evening Children & Youth restarts
- * Friday 24 July – 'The Gathering' Young Adults restarts
- * Saturday 25 July – Mens League

- * Saturday 25 July – WA Jumble Sale
- * Sunday 26 July to Sunday 30 August – Sermon Series – [Embracing God's Will](#)
- * Sunday 26 July – Market Sunday
- * Sunday 26 July – Prayer and Care Training
- * Thursday 30 July – Divorce Support Group
- * Friday 31 July – Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Friday 31 July – 'The Gathering' Young Adults
- * Friday 31 July – Sunday 2 August – Seekers Camp
- * Saturday 1 August – Strategic Planning Morning
- * Tuesday 4 August – [Old Testament Survey](#): Module 4
- * Thursday 6 August to 5 November – [Divorce Care Course](#)
- * Friday 7 August – Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Friday 7 August – 'The Gathering' Young Adults
- * Friday 7 to Sunday 9 August – Trinity Weekend Retreat
- * Saturday 8 August – Mens' League
- * Sunday 9 August – Womens' Day
- * Monday 10 August – Public Holiday
- * Wednesday 12 August – Seniors
- * Friday 14 August – Friday Evening Children & Youth
- * Friday 14 August – 'The Gathering' Young Adults
- * Saturday 15 August – Parents' Workshop
- * Wednesday 19 August – [Table Talk: Farina](#)
- * Saturday 22 August – Mens' League

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're praying for...



...policing that protects all and restores trust



We hold in our hearts those who are grieving the loss of...

Leslie Thomas Phillips, OBE. Service on Tuesday 28 July, 3.00pm.

Rosalie Coleman. Service details to be confirmed.

May you find rest and peace in God's presence.



Community Service Day Ideas

The Reach Out Portfolio is starting to plan our Community Service Day – a day in which we plan opportunities for congregation members to get involved in outreach activities. We are looking for ideas for the day. It takes place on Saturday 24th October.

Criteria: a once-off project / activity that can be undertaken by a group of Trinity members on the day – it usually involves undertaking a practical type activity which will make a difference to the recipients and to those offering the service. We are looking for projects around the greater Linden area. There is budget allocated to this.

Please contact Angela at pastoral@trinitylinden.org.za with your ideas.



WOW (What a) Week!

Between flying gel blaster Orbeez, fierce tug of wars, quiz questions, worship, spaghetti, hot dogs, boerewors rolls and plenty of laughter, our teens had an absolute blast!

A HUGE thank you to every single person who helped make the week possible. Whether you donated food, sponsored ingredients, volunteered your time, cooked, served, cleaned up, prayed or simply cheered us on – you were part of creating a place where our young people could have fun, build friendships and experience the love of Christ.

A special shout-out to our amazing Home Groups for your incredible generosity, and to ReachOut, whose financial sponsorship made WOW Week possible. We are so grateful for your investment in the lives of our young people.

WOW Week is far more than a series of fun evenings – it's a reminder that it takes a whole church to raise up the next generation. Thank you for being part of it!





Wonderful Volunteers



Above: Ladies and gentlemen pouring tea at a funeral on Saturday 18 July.

Below: Ladies pouring tea on Friday 17 July.

Photos by Marj Cloete.



Sewing Ministry

Our wonderful sewing ministry meets on Thursday afternoons in the hall, and there is much teaching and learning, creativity and sewing, tea drinking and fellowship.





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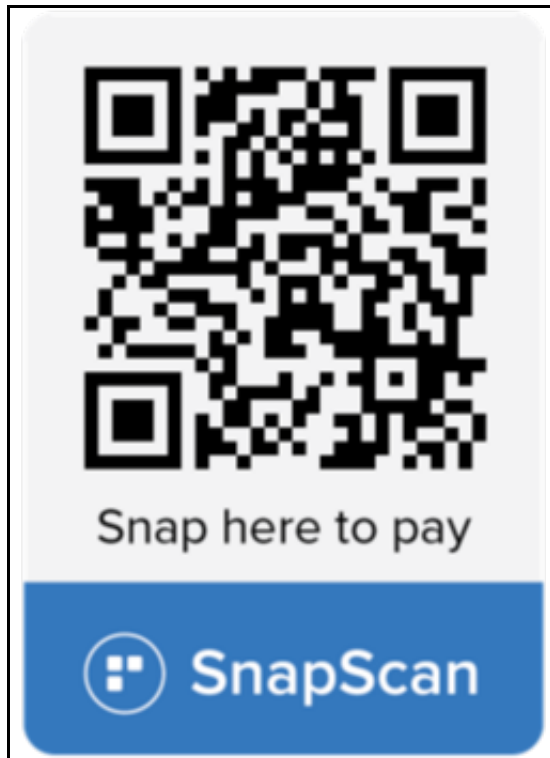
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Here's how to join:

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!

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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/](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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