



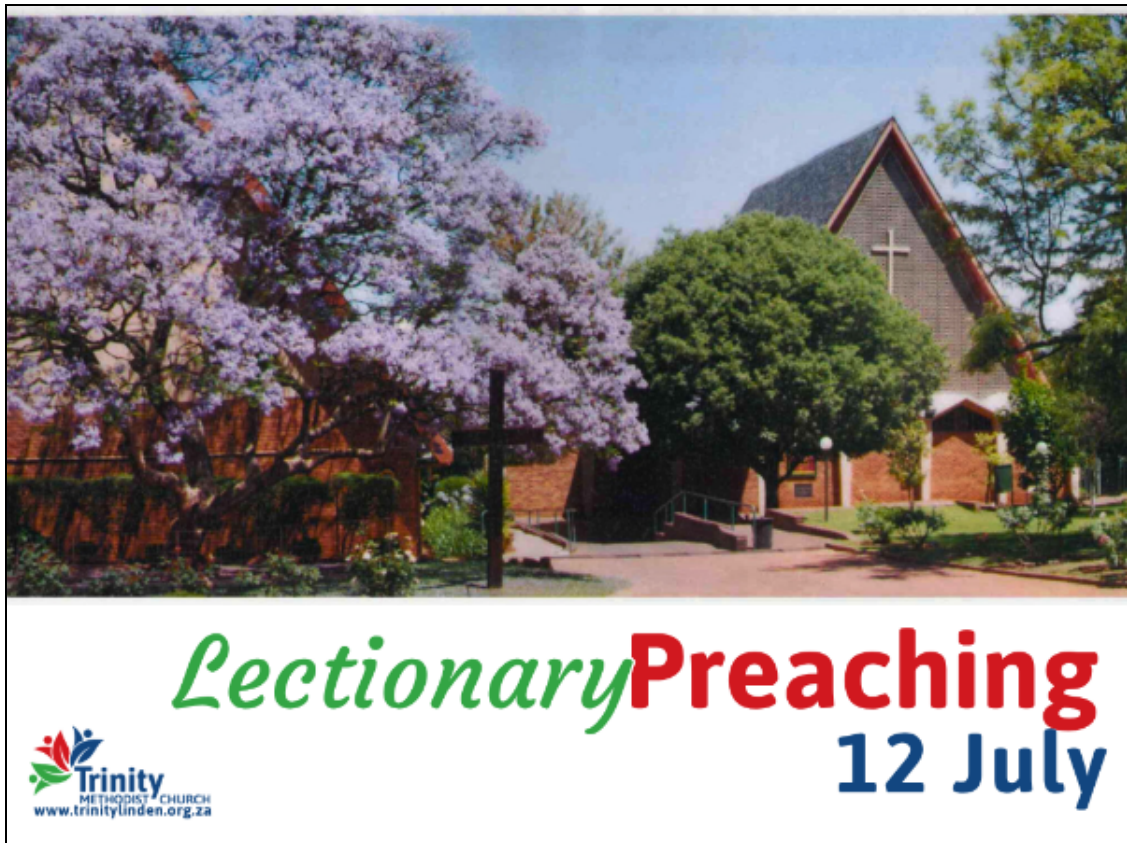
Are we as generous as God is?

This Sunday, Jesus tells a story about a farmer who seems almost reckless. Instead of carefully measuring where every seed will fall, he scatters it everywhere – on the path, among the rocks, into the thorns, and onto good soil.

It reminds us that God is not stingy with grace. God walks through the world with hands full of seed, scattering hope, grace, and new life wherever he goes. Today, tomorrow, and the day after, God keeps sowing. Because that is who God is.

Perhaps the harder question is not whether God is willing to give, but whether we are willing to receive. And perhaps another question quietly follows: are we as generous as God is? We are often quick to decide who is "good soil" and who isn't. Who deserves another chance and who doesn't. Yet God's grace has a way of surprising us, inviting us to see both ourselves and others through different eyes.

We hope you'll join us at one of our services on Sunday, as we gather around God's Word and discover what these ancient stories might have to say to our lives today.



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*

– Peter du Toit

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

– Peter du Toit

9.30am Chapel | Connect Service *with Holy Communion*

– Brett Mordaunt

11.30am Church | Kopanang Service

– Women's Manyano

6.30pm Chapel | Home Service *with Holy Communion*

– 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 12 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:

[Trinity's YouTube Channel](#)

[Lectionary Preaching Series Info and Links](#)

Lectionary Readings

This Sunday – 12 July

Ordinary Time

Genesis 25:19–34

Psalms 119:105–112

Romans 8:1–11

Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

Next Sunday – 19 July

Ordinary Time

Genesis 28:10–19a

Psalms 139:1–12; 23–24

Romans 8:12–25

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43



Mens' League

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

Saturday 11 July | 7.00am to 9.00am



Mens' League

Every Second Saturday



7.00am to 9.00am

Divorce Support Group



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



Our Divorce Support Group meets every second week.

Thursday 16 July | 6.30pm to 8.30pm

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

Thriving Wellness Group

Our Wellness Group – Mind. Body. Soul – is meeting again. *Please note the date change.*

Sunday 19 July | 3.00pm to 5.00pm

All are welcome. You do not have to

be a member of Trinity to join us.



We have a new name for our Mental Health Support Group and are now calling ourselves 'Thriving Wellness Group'.

You are invited to join us as we look further at the work of Caroline Leaf, particularly her use of a tool – the Neurocycle – for managing toxic thought patterns and anxiety.

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

Prayer and Care Training

What is helpful for us to know about Trauma when we support others? What skills can we teach

others to better cope with stress and trauma?

Ukweseka abantu abake bahlupheka ngenxa yezigameko ezinzima.

Sunday 26 July | 2pm to 5pm

This is open to all. Please join us!



Pastoral Care and Prayer Volunteers

Prayer and Care Volunteers Training

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


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Old Testament Survey Course



Old Testament Survey Course
Module 4 starts
Tuesday 4 August | 6.30pm

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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.

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.

DIVORCE
Care®

Thursday 6 August
13 weeks
6.30pm to 8.30pm



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Cost: R250
- includes your manual

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.

Trinity Retreat
A Tapestry of Grace

Friday 7 August:
6.00pm - 9.00pm

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

Sunday 9 August:
Closing @ 11.30am Kopanang Service

Trinity Methodist Church
Cost: R250 (subsidies available)



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METHODIST CHURCH

REGISTER TODAY
011 888 1740
reception@trinitylinden.org.za

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.

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

Table Talk Farina

Save the date: our next Table Talk evening will be held at Farina Restaurant, across the road from Trinity, on **Wednesday 19 August**.

More information to follow.



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

Our GROOVYCREW Friday Night Children's Ministry is on a break!

We will meet again on Friday 24 July.

Enjoy your holidays!



Thrive | Friday Night Youth – Gr 8 to Gr 12



Our Thrive Friday Night Youth Ministry is on a break!

We will meet again on Friday 24 July.

We look forward to seeing you in church every Sunday.

The Gathering – Young Adults

Our 'The Gathering' Young Adults are on a break.

We will meet again on Friday 24 July.



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

Join us on **Sunday 5 July | 9.30am** for Sparkling Kids Club.

For the school holidays we meet outside the chapel for worship, followed by games, crafts, and fun!

All are welcome!



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

Our 11.30am Teen Church is on a break.

TK will be at 9.30am Teen church this Sunday so you can head down to join him in the Youth Hall.

Our normal schedule will resume on Sunday 26 July.



Sunday Morning Kopanang Kids – Ages 2 to 13

Our Sunday Morning Kopanang Kids Children's Ministry is on a break!

We will meet again on Sunday 26 July.



Enjoy your holidays!



Save the Dates

What is coming up at Trinity Methodist Church Linden?

- * Friday 10 July – NO Friday Evening Children & Youth. Restarts 24 July.
- * Friday 10 July – NO 'The Gathering' Young Adults. Restarts 24 July
- * Saturday 11 July – Mens League
- * Thursday 16 July – Divorce Support Group
- * Friday 17 July – NO Friday Evening Children & Youth. Restarts 24 July.
- * Friday 17 July – NO 'The Gathering' Young Adults. Restarts 24 July
- * Sunday 19 July – Thriving Wellness Group (note date change)
- * Sunday 31 May to 19 July – [Lectionary Sermon Series](#)
- * Tuesday 19 May to 28 July – Duke Student: Audra Marchese
- * Friday 7 to Sunday 9 August – Trinity Weekend Retreat
- * Friday 24 July – Friday Evening Children & Youth restarts
- * Friday 24 July – 'The Gathering' Young Adults restarts
- * Saturday 25 July – Mens League
- * Sunday 26 July – Prayer and Care Training
- * Thursday 30 July – Divorce Support Group
- * Friday 31 July – Friday Evening Children & Youth restarts
- * Friday 31 July – 'The Gathering' Young Adults restarts
- * Tuesday 4 August – Old Testament Survey: Module 4
- * Thursday 6 August to 5 November – [Divorce Care Course](#)

* Wednesday 19 August – Table Talk: Farina

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?

Ways to Serve

You are encouraged to support Tshepo – one of Trinity's outreaches – by attending their Northcliff Community Market.

Saturday 11 July | 9.00am to 3.00pm | Cnr Pendoring and Weltevreden Rd.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/19Km6fbDwz/>



We are praying for...

This Sunday we pray for the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) as it prepares for South Africa's local government elections later this year.

In prayer, please focus on God's presence with the IEC, its staff and all who carry the responsibility of planning and administering free and fair elections. Pray for wisdom, integrity, courage and protection, especially in a time when misinformation, suspicion and attempts to undermine public trust can so easily take root.

Pray too for the months leading up to the elections: for political leaders and parties to act responsibly, for peaceful and fair voter registration drives, and for communities to engage respectfully with one another.

Finally, we pray that South Africans will recognise both the privilege and responsibility of participating in our democracy by registering to vote, so that our nation may continue to build a future marked by justice, peace and the common good.

Lord, guide all who serve our democracy, and help us to be faithful citizens who seek the welfare of our nation.

We're praying for...



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



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

Crystal Smart. Service takes place on Wednesday 15 July.

Noreen Ann Mackenzie. Service took place on Monday.

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

The Wool Bank Is Still Here

For those who would like to carry on knitting for ReachOut, the wool will be available **only in the Church foyer** every Sunday, from 8.00am to 12.00pm.

These items will go to stocking our Winter Warmers Box for next winter.

- Please take **one – three balls only**, to leave enough wool for others till the end of the project.
- Return the finished article asap.
- SIGN OUT and SIGN IN your wool/article(s) on the clipboard available.

BEANIES *MITTENS*** SCARVES**



A Winter Warmer Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone who knitted, crocheted, and donated wool and beanie sets!



These items have been donated to children in need through Ikageng Itireleng and Uzima, two organisations in Soweto, with which the ReachOut portfolio works closely.

We received a letter of thanks from the Manager of Ikageng Itireleng, Bheki Khumalo, the organisation that received the largest portion.

"Thank you also for the Winter Drive initiative. We are deeply touched by the generosity and commitment of the Trinity congregation. The scarves and beanies will make a meaningful difference during the cold winter months, and we know the children and families will receive them with great appreciation. Once the distribution has taken place, we will certainly share photographs and provide feedback on how the items were received by the beneficiaries. Please extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who participated in knitting and contributing to this initiative".

Bheki Khumalo – Manager at Ikageng



Welcome To The Family, New Members!

On Sunday we welcomed a group of new members to Trinity at our services.

Welcome to the family. Good to have you here!





Americans in Linden

On Monday we had a unique opportunity – two Duke students together at Trinity!

Audra is currently staying at Trinity, and Miles was our Duke student some years ago, and he came to visit us again.

What a blessing these students have been for us!



Who Wore It Best?

Spotted out-and-about at WOW!
Week – clearly red and black are on
trend this season!

We vote for Normand. Who do you
think wore it best?



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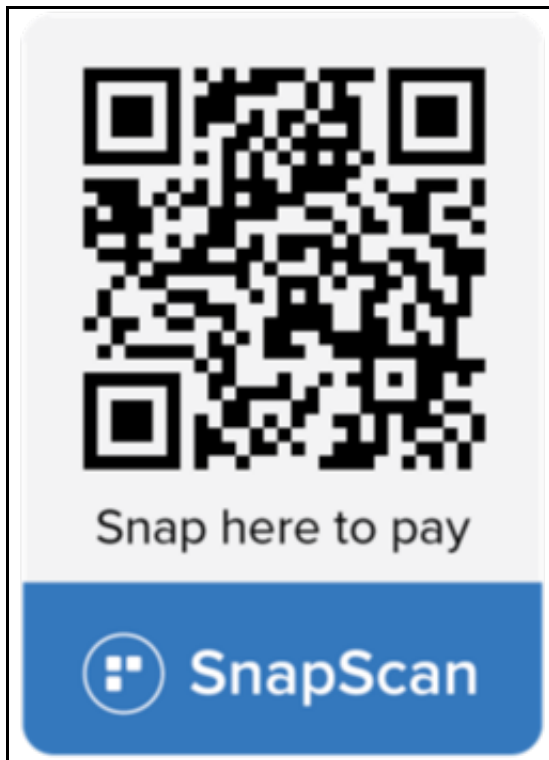
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1. Send us a WhatsApp message that says "Please add me" + your name to 071 089 9694.

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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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](#)

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