

St. Thomas Congregation

Evangelical Church (Lutheran Confession)

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Important Dates

Friday 22 May: Saint Thomas Social at Church. All Welcome (see page 10)

PURPOSE STATEMENT SAINT THOMAS CONGREGATION

- To promote fellowship in a friendly environment, where
- a) God’s love in Christ is proclaimed (proclamation)
 - b) love for one another is exercised (care)
 - c) loving others is practised (outreach)

Loved by God. Loving others.

FROM THE PASTOR

I start writing this newsletter, having just returned from the hospital. Last night something unexpected happened, which affected our family life quite drastically.

Together with my parents-in-law, who had come to visit us over Easter, we had supper. After supper Maggi's dad went to the outside guest room. He didn't say "good night", so we assumed that he needed to go to the bathroom. Half an hour later Maggi's mother went to see whether he had in fact gone to bed. He was lying on the floor bleeding, struck down by a massive stroke, hurting himself in the process. We rushed him to Panorama hospital.

As he lay on the bed, his right side paralysed, staring with dazed eyes ahead, unable to mutter a single sound ... so many thoughts rushed through our minds and continue to do so.

On the one hand Maggi and myself were struck by the *fragility* of human life. Once so strong and self assured there our dad lay quite helplessly. For a moment you see *yourself* there, knowing it is just a matter of time. It won't be long, ten or twenty or maybe thirty years and it will be *my* turn - and who knows, it may be even sooner.

On the other hand your mind goes back to some of those truly trivial matters that formed the basis for an argument, scarred a relationship, or caused profound hurt.

We ask ourselves: Why are we humans like this? We sense something of the "dirt" that characterises our human lives.

Of course, we also re-live some of those very special moments we shared with our dad. Only two nights before the stroke he had invited us to a restaurant. First he spoiled our children with a "super size" (a grandpa size) MacDonald's Meal and a KFC. And then he spoiled us in a restaurant of our own choice overlooking the Atlantic Ocean with the stunning view of Table Mountain as the backdrop. We were celebrating his upcoming 80th birthday (on 30 April), the sale of his house, and all the many good things God had blessed his and our lives with. God is really good to us.

But in hospital observing what truly is - as the apostle Paul notes - the "sting" of death, you are also struck by the "wrath of God". Death is not a coincidence. It isn't natural. According to Scripture it is the result of God's wrath for a sinful life. God never intended the world to be the way it is. He created us to live in loving harmony with himself and with one another. But through sin "God-focus" has been exchanged by "self-focus". Instead of regarding others and their well-being more important than ourselves, our lives are marked by greed, selfish ambitions, the search for self-honour, and a focus on the materia of this world

No wonder there is "wrath" on the side of God - a justified wrath that culminates in the painful degeneration of the human body.

Have you ever been struck by this wrath of God? Has it ever dawned on you that death is something you "deserve", the rightful penalty for your sinful life? Denial (often expressed in our lack of facing up to death) is our (deceitful) way around this wrath. We tell ourselves that we are "inherently good" and somewhat "deserving" of God's love. But we are, oh so wrong. We are not deserving of God's love. The wages of sin is death.

Worst of all is: We cannot change. This is encapsulated by the apostle Paul in the letter to the Romans. He writes: "***I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do***" (7:15). Do you know that feeling? Maggi and myself have often talked about it. We don't want to hurt others, *least of all our parents*, but at times we do. We argue about trivial matters. We get upset about things we could so easily have overlooked. But try as we may, we tend to repeat the same mistakes over and over again.

God's wrath is justified. He wouldn't be God if our sinfulness didn't even matter to him. Being a righteous God, he *must* condemn. We deserve eternal death!

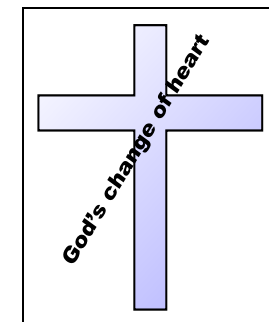
But enters the "Cross". The cross of Calvary is the sign - not that we through intense effort have changed our ways - but that **GOD HAS CHANGED**. He made a conscious choice. The choice was to

reconcile the world to himself through Christ (2 Cor.5:19). The only way he could do it, was to strike his own innocent flesh and blood. He struck his Son.

Does this make sense? No it doesn't. This is "love" at work *foreign* to us sinful human beings. It is a love that is totally free from *self* preservation, *self* realisation, *self* advancement, *self* glory. God "changed" to save "me". That is how great his love is for me.

When I realise this - against the backdrop of my sinful life and God's deserving wrath - and then look at my dad in hospital, *peace* floods in. It seems to embrace both him and me, both him and the rest of the family (including our wrongs). We belong to a wonderful God. I cannot always capture the moment, but I sincerely hope that each time I experience it, my life is transformed, even if it is just a small step at a time. I wish to live less for myself and more for Christ, as Paul writes to the Corinthians: "***He [Christ] died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again***" (2 Cor.5:15).

Wishing you all a blessed Easter



and Pentecostal Season, one of real change that only God' Spirit can work.

Dieter Reinstorf

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

The Truth Project - starting 6 May

This is something to get excited about! Every year effort is made to present at least once course in Saint Thomas directly aimed at spiritual growth our outreach. This course, entitled "The Truth Project", is aimed at those who already form part of the Family of God and wish to grow in their faith. The DVD-Series is an in-depth Christian worldview experience, with the expressed goal

to experience a "transformation of the mind" that is no longer corrupted by views of reality presented by a secularised world. It is only by being "different" that we can become a testimony of God in this world. THE JOURNEY STARTS HERE - on Wednesday 6 May, at 7pm at the parsonage in 10 Van Gogh Street. For the weekly "topics" see "Bible Studies" below.

New Member Profile: August and Michelle Hohls



We welcome August und Michelle Hohls to Saint Thomas. August was born in Pietermaritzburg, KZN, lived in Dalton and attended school in Wartburg. His father worked at the Union Co-op in Dalton and his mother worked as a receptionist for the local

doctors in Dalton. After attending the army (in Middelburg) August started studying dentistry at the University of Pretoria, but soon realised that his passion was accounting. He did his articles in Durban and thereafter worked for a number of different firms in Durban. He was baptised and confirmed in Kirchdorf congregation (Wartburg)

Michelle, neé Freese was also born in Pietermaritzburg. Her father was a magistrate. As a result the family was always on the move. Her mother, who worked as a dental assistant, passed away from a severe asthma attack when Michelle was only 4 years old. After the death of his wife, Michelle's father asked to be transferred from Durban to Vryheid, so that his mothers could help raise

Michelle and her sister. He remarried two years later. Michelle attended school in Vryheid and Wartburg, and church primarily in New Hanover. After school she studied as a dental assistant in Durban.

August und Michelle knew each other from their school days in Wartburg, but after leaving school "met again" at the Dalton Tennis Club, both being keen Tennis players. They got married at New Hanover church and lived initially in Pinetown for one year. Thereafter they moved to Wartburg to look after August's parents, where they build their own house. They have 3 children, Erika (who has been a member of Saint Thomas for many years and is married to Shane Marriott-Watson - with Storm and Taylor as their children), Lisa (who also until recently lived in Cape Town and was married to Jason van Dijk earlier this year, but have moved to Johannesburg), and Jürgen (who is in Pietermaritzburg and has just

completed his CA)

After living in Wartburg for 28 years, August and Michelle have moved to Cape Town in February 2009, primarily to be closer to their grandchildren. August has started working as an off-shore rigger on a dive support vessel on the *North Sea* in Scotland. With Michelle being alone a lot, she can spend time with and help Erika with the children, as Shane being a diver is also away from home a lot. They have bought a house in Sunset Beach. It is close to the beach, which both love. It is also very central: close to the church, fairly close to Erika and Shane (Green Point), and various shopping centres.

August loves tennis, golf, woodwork, and angling. Michele loves reading, knitting, and jogging. Both of them love outdoor hiking and being *active*. ... and we the congregation are very happy to have you. May God bless you.

Wedding of Jason van Dijk and Lisa Hohls



Jakkelsfontein, 28 February 2009.

The sun shone and the wind stopped blowing on a beautiful summer's afternoon for the wedding of Jason and Lisa in Jakkelsfontein (West Coast). With Lisa's parents, August and Michelle, having just moved to Cape Town, the timing of the wedding was perfect.

The ceremony was held on the beach. Pastor Reinstorf officiated. The reception was at Buffelsfontein - a day remembered not only by the bridal pair, but all who attended. The

photo on the beach shows the bride arriving on horse back

together with the bridesmaids.



New Member Profile: Fanie du Toit



On Easter Sunday, 12 April, Fanie du Toit was officially accepted into Saint Thomas Congregation. We extend a very warm welcome to you, Fanie.

Fanie grew up on Farm in Luckhoff in the Southern Orange Free State. His parents were sheep and wheat farmers until they retired. In 2007 his mother, Nelie, passed away. After her death Fanie's father, also called Fanie, moved to Bloemfontein where he now resides in an old age home. Fanie is the youngest of three brothers.

Fanie was both baptised and confirmed in the Dutch Reformed Church in Luckhoff. He attended Fauresmith Primary and High Schools. Immediately after school Fanie did his obligatory military service at a time when the South African forces fought in Namibia and Angola. It was during this time (during an enemy ambush) that Fanie

partially lost his hearing, being profoundly deaf since 1998. After his military services he initially studied electronic engineering and worked for Telkom as an engineer-technician/lecturer. Later (as a result of his hearing deficiency, progressively getting worse) he studied as an education practitioner and started working at the *Association for Persons with Disabilities* (APD) in Bloemfontein.

From a first marriage, Fanie has a son and a daughter. His son Petri (24) works as a Sign Language interpreter on Deaf TV (DTV). His daughter Susan (22) studied theology and now works with children in the North West Province.

Fanie met Erica Laspé 5 years ago then working for the *National Council for Persons with Physical Disabilities in South Africa* (NCPDPSA). Presently he is the manager for public education and awareness for the NCPDPSA.. Part of his job requires that he produces and presents a weekly radio show (broadcast on RSG, every Sunday at 14:15). You can also listen to him on CCFM, Radio Pulpit on Fridays, Radio Rosestad (Bloemfontein),

“Luther’s Loot”

A special thanks to all who have continued to make regular contributions to “Luther’s Loot”.

Your contributions have warmed the heart of many. Items (see the list) are placed in the box in the foyer of the church and are distributed by Denis Kontsidis and Myrna Skbbe.

Radio Namakwaland (Vredendal), and Radio Kragbron (Witbank). He also represents disability on the UNISA Council (University of South Africa, in Pretoria).

Having lived in Worcester, Fanie has just recently moved to Wynberg, Cape Town. He loves reading and walking. He appreciates caring people, but is put off by dishonesty.

New technology has made it possible that Fanie may regain a limited hearing ability in future again. He has just received two strong imported hearing aids. Over the next six months the progress of the hearing centre in his brain will be monitored and evaluated. Strictly speaking he needs to train his brain to hear sound again. Erica will support him, first to hear her voice and then also those of others. A cochlear implant may follow after six months.

We are all holding our thumbs for you Fanie and pray that God himself will guide the recovery period. For Saint Thomas you are a special member. We feel fortunate and privileged that you have chosen to join us. May God bless you richly.

Items needed (amongst other):
 Packets of Soup /Small Sugar
 Small Rice / Packets of Pasta
 Jam /Peanut Butter / Baked Beans / Sweet Corn /Peas /Fish Paste /Tuna /Small Oma /Small Tooth Paste/ Small Soup / Small Oats (Serial) /Small Coffee /Packet of Tea Bags, etc

Synodical Commitments of Pastor Reinstorf

Pastor Reinstorf has been invited to be the key speaker at the upcoming synodical youth camp from 30 April to 2 May at the FELS-Retreat just outside of Paulpietersburg in KZN.

Immediately afterwards Pastor Reinstorf will leave for Pretoria to preach at the Congregation of the *Lutheran Theological Seminary* (LTS). The presently unaffiliated congregation wishes to join either the *Free Evangelical Lutheran Synod in South Africa* (FELSISA) or the

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa (LCSA), who are in church fellowship with one another. After the church service Pastor Reinstorf and Bishop Tswaedi will deliver presentations on the respective churches.

After a *Board of Directors Meeting* of the LTS on Tuesday 5 May, Pastor Reinstorf will return to Cape Town (by midday 6 May).

On 3 May a Reading Service will be held at Saint Thomas.

Golden Wedding Anniversary



Many may not have been aware of it, but on the 26 April 2009 Hans and Brigitte (Gitta) Schreiber celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We join them in praising God for so many years of marriage and pray that God may continue to bless them.

Engaged to be married

We congratulate Eckart Köhne and Taryn Roseveare, as well as Matthew Glass and Brigitte Runds on the announcement of their engagement. We wish them God's blessing.

Special Announcements

Please inform the pastor of all special occasions and dates. This way the congregation can be kept informed and at times help organise the celebrations.

CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Supper and Dance at St Thomas - Friday, 22 May

It is for young and old, come and join us at Saint Thomas. We are planning a relaxed, social evening with food (for all) and dancing (for those who need the exercise). No Friday evening cooking at home, except of course if you are



asked to bring something to church. But dish up with the rich variety presented...and enjoy.



A Saint Thomas activity for the Youth, Families, Senior Citizens, Friends

FROM THE TREASURER

Income

Our experience during the past few years has been that our income during the first three months of the year is relatively high, compared to the rest of the year. This year the same tendency occurred. For the first quarter of the year, our own actual contributions exceeded the budgeted figure by just over R1 800. We thank every member who, in many instances, made a special effort to make this possible. During this period our income was further boosted by

donations we received from outside sources. The Kirchdorf congregation donated R50 000, which is earmarked towards our building project, as well as R25 000 from an individual member. Words fail to express our feeling of gratitude and thanks for these donations. Our prayer is that God will bless all those that contributed towards these gifts and that these funds will help to spread His word also through St Thomas Congregation.

Expenses

During the first quarter of the year, our expenses were primarily the normal running expenses and all were well within the budgeted figures. The only expense worth mentioning is that we paid the builder the second installment on the completion of the Wall of Remembrance (R14 606). The first installment was paid during the last quarter of 2008. We also replaced the amplifier that was stolen from the church.

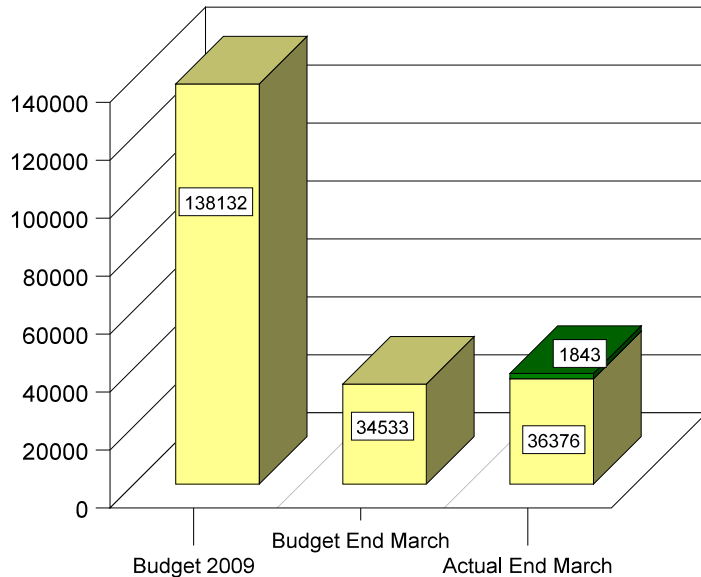
Continue the good work

The first quarter was an exceptionally good one from a financial point of view. This was a good start and

hopefully we can continue with this momentum for the remainder of the year. Time flies and before we realize it, the year is gone.

A detailed income and expenditure statement is available on the notice board at the church. Contributions are made voluntarily and can be made by means of a thank offering on Sundays or by means of a direct transfer into the bank account of the congregation. The details of the bank account appear on the last page of this newsletter.

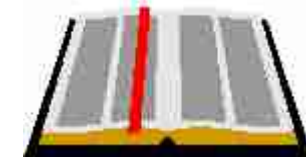
Contributions can be summarized as follows:



God loves a cheerful giver!

Günther Meier

BIBLE STUDY



Please take note of the new series that will commence immediately after Easter, called **“The Truth Project”**. It is a very exciting “worldview challenging” DVD series, followed by a short discussion. This is the programme:

- 6 May Veritology: What is Truth?
- 13 May Philosophy & Ethics: Says Who?
- 20 May Anthropology: Who is Man?
- 27 May Theology: Who is God?
- 10 June Science: What is true?

Holiday

- 22 July History: Whose story?

- 29 July Sociology: The Divine Imprint
- 5 Aug Unio Mystica: Am I Alone?
- 12 Aug The state: Whose Law?
- 19 Aug The American Experience: Stepping Stones
- 26 Aug Labour: Created to create
- 2 Sept Community & Involvement: God Cares, Do I?

Are you worried that your children’s (and your own) values are undermined by the media? Would you like to discover the “truth” of a loving and saving God? Then this series (prepared by “Focus on the Family”) is for you.

FROM OUR COMMUNITY

Ascension Day Service

For the Ascension Day Service churches in our community join for a combined service, to worship the one and only true Lord, who has been raised to the right hand of almighty God.

You are invited to attend the service at St John’s (Anglican)

Church in Bothasig on Thursday 21 May at 7pm (Cnr. Buren & Nassau Streets).

The Order of Service will be led by the local pastor/priest Johan Dreyer. The sermon will be delivered by Greg Wiid from Christian Life Ministries.

Birthdays

Wishing you a happy and a blessed birthday!

March

29 Antje Eggers

May

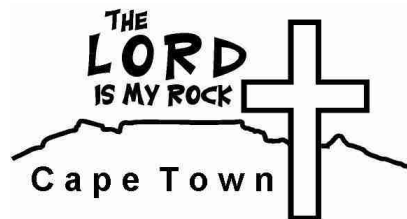
2 Ingrid Rewitzky
 11 Keegan Karshagen
 20 Martina Reinstorf
 29 Charles Melck and Günther Meier
 31 Erika Marriott-Watson and Dieter Reinstorf



June

19 Ian Crouch
 24 Lauren Swiegers
 26 Leanne Swiegers
 27 Aimee and Mari Johnston

SAINT THOMAS YOUTH



During 2009 the Saint Thomas Youth and Young Couples have decided to meet at least once a month. Youth gatherings will be organised and hosted by members of the youth themselves. Expect an invitation from

- Antje and Rix Eggers on Sunday, 26 April
- Eckard Köhne and Taryn Roseveare on Sunday, 24 May

Mark these dates and hope to see you all there!!

Morning Prayer



Dear Lord, I thank you for this day. I thank You for my being able to see and to hear this morning. I'm blessed because You are a forgiving God and an understanding God. You have done so much for me and You keep on blessing me. Forgive me this day for everything I have done, said or thought that was not pleasing to you. I ask now for Your forgiveness.

Please keep me safe from all danger and harm. Help me to start this day with a new attitude and plenty of gratitude. Let me make the best of each and every day to clear my mind so that I can hear from You.

Please broaden my mind that I can accept all things.

Let me not whine and whimper over things I have no control over. Let me continue to see sin through God's eyes and acknowledge it as evil. And when I sin, let me repent, and confess with my mouth my wrongdoing, and receive the forgiveness of God.

And when this world closes in on me, let me remember Jesus' example -- to slip away and find a quiet place to pray. It's the best response when I'm pushed beyond my limits. I know that when I ca n't pr ay, You listen to my heart. Continue to use me to do Your will.

Continue to bless me that I may be a blessing to others. Keep me strong that I may help the weak. Keep me uplifted that I may have words of encouragement for others. I pray for those who are lost and can't find their way. I pray for those who are misjudged and misunderstood. I pray for those who don't know You intimately. I pray for those who will delete this without sharing it with others. I pray for those who don't believe. But I thank you that I believe.

I believe that God changes people and God changes things. I pray for all my sisters and brothers. For each and every family member in their households. I pray for peace, love and joy in their homes that they are out of debt and all their needs are met.

I pray that every eye that reads this knows there is no problem, circumstance, or situation greater than God. Every battle is in Your hands for You to fight.... I pray that these words be received into the hearts of every eye that sees them and every mouth that confesses them willingly..

This is my prayer.
 In Jesus' Name, Amen.



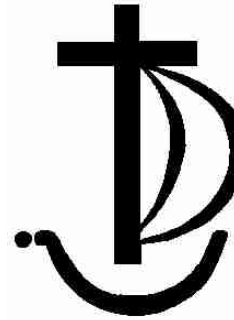
DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

May

01 Hebrews 12,1-11
 02 Hebrews 12,12-17
 03 Hebrews 12,18-24
 04 Psalm 30
 05 Hebrews 12,25-29
 06 Hebrews 13,1-14
 07 Hebrews 13,15-25
 08 Psalm 47
 09 The Acts 1,1-14
 10 The Acts 1,15-26
 11 Psalm 27
 12 The Acts 2,1-13
 13 The Acts 2,14-21
 14 The Acts 2,22-28
 15 The Acts 2,29-36
 16 The Acts 2,37-41
 17 The Acts 2,42-47
 18 Psalm 118,1-14
 19 Psalm 118,15-29
 20 The Acts 3,1-10
 21 The Acts 3,11-16
 22 The Acts 3,17-26
 23 The Acts 4,1-12
 24 The Acts 4,13-22
 25 Psalm 45
 26 The Acts 4,23-31
 27 The Acts 4,32-37
 28 The Acts 5,1-11
 29 The Acts 5,12-16
 30 The Acts 5,17-33
 31 The Acts 5,34-42

June

01 Psalm 3
 02 The Acts 6,1-7
 03 The Acts 6,8-15
 04 The Acts 7,1-16
 05 The Acts 7,17-29
 06 The Acts 7,30-43
 07 The Acts 7,44-53
 08 Psalm 13
 09 The Acts 7,54-8,3
 10 The Acts 8,4-25
 11 The Acts 8,26-40
 12 The Acts 9,1-9
 13 The Acts 9,10-19a
 14 The Acts 9,19b-31
 15 Psalm 12
 16 The Acts 9,32-43
 17 The Acts 10,1-20
 18 The Acts 10,21-33
 19 The Acts 10,34-48
 20 The Acts 11,1-18
 21 The Acts 11,19-30
 22 Psalm 32
 23 The Acts 12,1-19a
 24 The Acts 12,19b-25
 25 The Acts 13,1-12
 26 The Acts 13,13-25
 27 The Acts 13,26-41
 28 The Acts 13,42-52
 29 Psalm 7
 30 The Acts 14,1-7



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- Sunday School
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SUNDAY SERVICES AND DUTY ROSTER

Service Times: Every Sunday at 10.00 (with Holy Communion) / (U) = Usher / RS = Reading Service. Evening Service at 19.00 (7pm) /

DATE	SUNDAY	CHURCH COUNCILLOR	READER	SUNDAY SCHOOL	ALTAR DUTY	FLOWERS	TEA DUTY
3 May	Jubilate (RS)	S. Johnston G. Meier (U)	D. Skibbe 1 John 5:1-4	Maggi Reinstorf	No Communion	M. Wybrow	M. Wybrow D. Kontsidis
10 May	Cantate Mother's Day	Q. Aubrey D. Skibbe (U)	S. Swiegers Col.3:12-17	Ulrike Reinstorf	M Halm	L. Swiegers	L. Swiegers Lauren Swiegers
17 May	Rogate	G. Meier H. Peyper (U)	C. Melck 1 Tim.2:1-6	Martina Reinstorf	A. Willis	M. Hohls	M. Hohls F. Dini
21 May	Ascension No service at St Thomas. Please join us at St John's Anglican Church Bothasig (Cnr. Buren & Nassau Street, Bothasig) for a Community Service, hosted by the Tygerberg Ministers Fellowship, starting at 7pm.						
24 May	Exaudi	M. Wybrow S. Johnston (U)	E. Köhne Eph.3:14-21	Taryn Roseveare	B. Schreiber	M. Deetlofs	M. Deetlofs E. Crouch
31 May	Pentecost	G. Meier S. Swiegers (U)	H. Peyper Acts 2:1-18	Antje Eggers	J.Peyper	J. Karshagen	J. Karshagen M. Reinstorf
7 June	Trinity	Q. Aubrey G. Meier (U)	D. Skibbe Rom.11:33-36	Maggi Reinstorf	M. Skibbe	D. Kontsidis	D. Kontsidis L. Wilson
14 June	2 nd Sunday after Pentecost	S. Johnston A. Runds (U) G.	S. Swiegers 1 John 4:16-21	Ulrike Reinstorf	L. Swiegers	C. Johnston	C. Johnston J. Peyper
21 June	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost	G. Meier Q. Aubrey (U)	C. Melck Eph.2:17-22	Martina Reinstorf	M. Halm	M. Aubrey	M. Aubrey Antje Eggers
28 June	4 th Sunday after Pentecost (RS)	M. Wybrow S. Johnston (U)	D. Skibbe 1 Tim.1:12-17	----	No Communion	M. Skibbe	D. Kontsidis T. Roseveare

Flower Duty

The person on duty is requested to make a (very simple) flower arrangement to be placed either on or next to the altar (the flowers are to be taken home afterwards).

Altar Duty

The person on duty is requested to fill the communion vessels and wafer plate and place them on the altar (and wash the vessels after the service).

Tea Duty

The person on duty is requested prepare the cups and saucers before the service, switch on the urn, serve coffee and tea after the service (provide milk), and wash the dishes

NB: If a person on duty is unable to fulfil his/her duty, please make alternate arrangements.

