
THE HARK

— Table View United Church —
April 2021

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Sunday Worship: online

Including Kid's Ministry,
Teen's Ministry & baby
facilities.

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Thursday
9:00am to 1:00pm

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Volunteers
021 556 2374

ManCo Chairman:

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Treasurer:

Claudine Batangana – 083 398 0743

Banking Details:

ABSA BANK

Branch Code: 632005

**Account Number: 407 254
2525**



zoom



Instagram

What is happening during the lockdown

Even though you can't attend the services at the church

- Sermon's are being filmed
- Sermon's are being voice recorded
- Sermon's are written up
- The following communication channels are used



WhatsApp

facebook

YouTube

WE ARE OPEN,

**However, should you wish to receive the
online version of the service please**

**WhatsApp your name and number to
Jacqui on 0833751353**

From the Minister's desk...

To my beloved family at Table View United Church



Generosity. This word, for me, carries special significance. It started when I was a youth worker in Goodwood. A number of the teens I worked with there had a very sceptical understanding of gift giving, so, if someone gave them something, it was always received but their minds would race with the question, “What do they want in return?” They struggled to comprehend the idea of a free gift. I, therefore, took it upon myself to provide free gifts for these kids as often as I could, and almost always it took the form of a meal I would share with them and pay for. See, I had this thought in my head. If these kids cannot accept a free gift, but instead will always be wondering what they will need to give in return, how can they ever accept the free gift God offers them without thinking they need to earn it. Therefore, as often as I could, I would provide these kids with a free gift of some kind so that they can learn to accept a free earthly gift, in the hope that they will one day understand that when accepting God’s gift, there is no payment needed in return.

I think this is very applicable seeing as we just finished celebrating Easter. We celebrated the moment Christ shared the Lord's Supper with His disciples. We reflected on what happened in the Garden as Jesus, in His agony, cried out to the Father for the cup to be taken from Him, but also witnessed that moment of surrender as He said, "Not my will, but Yours be done." We saw how He was dragged before the Sanhedrin, Pilate, Herod, and the crowd to eventually be sentenced to crucifixion. We spoke about the moment the nails entered His hands and His feet, and how, in darkness, He hung on the cross till He died, at which point the temple curtain tore in two. We sat with the disciples in their darkness and fear at what would happen next as they hid in a locked room after Jesus' death, and we celebrated with Christians around the world as we joined the women at the empty tomb, remembering Christ's promise that He will rise again. All this, He did to redeem His creation from sin and death. He did it for us, for free. All we need to do is accept the gift.

But we also need to remember the instruction for Christians to be like Jesus. He gave freely, willingly, and generously. We have to ask ourselves if we are doing the same. In a course I did many years ago called Bright Star, one of the things we were challenged to do was to identify our top five values which guide our lives, and then ensure we live by them. One of my top five values is generosity, and it is sometimes a struggle to give generously, but at that point I need to tell myself that this is a value I chose to live by, so therefore I have to be generous, just as Christ was.

Towards the end of March, an anonymous donor deposited R40 000 into the church bank account. And where any other donation of that amount would automatically be absorbed into the church running costs, this one was donated for a specific purpose. The reference was "Food Parcels". And this makes me smile. R40 000 specifically for food parcels is such a generous donation and we have no idea who gave it. I wish I did know, so I could say thanks, but clearly they want to remain anonymous. We have already spent some of that money to buy food parcels to give to those who are in desperate need



Dear Christians, let us learn to give generously, as Christ gave for us. Generous giving does not have to be limited to financial giving only, though it would be much appreciated. Give your time, give your knowledge, give your skills for those who have no abilities or skills of their own. Teach someone to sew so that they may sell clothing. Knit baby clothes for winter warmth. Make a patch-work quilt banner displaying God's glory to be hung in the church. Teach someone computer literacy. Write a letter for someone in a closed country. Offer to go by the contents for the food parcels. Offer to help pack food parcels. Do the weekly shopping for someone who is restricted to their homes at the moment. We have an Alpha course coming up in July, how about volunteering for that?

Let me leave you with this quote from Mike Burnard, who shared with us last year at one of our Mission Awareness Sundays about InContext International when talking about generous giving. “Charity is giving someone something they need. Generosity is giving someone something you need.”

With all the love in my heart for you, my beloved socially distanced family

Andrew Snyders



Kind Regards,
Rev Andrew Snyders | Minister

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Elaine Bletsoe

During the past year, my inner journey has taken me to the rediscovery of my passion and enjoyment of painting. I work only from photographs. For me each painting becomes a new discovery, a new exploration of some part of creation in our world. Our Creator is the master creator, and my paintings a reflection of what I see and experience in nature.

My greatest interest is in the movement and colour of water and the play of light on it. Seascapes draw me, observing the constant changes in moods from day to day. Studying the rocks and how they affect the flow and splash of the waves brings the scene to vibrant life! I wish to share this with others who be drawn by the tranquility, or pure energy I convey with my brushstrokes.



Tribute to Trevor

Trevor Alexander stepped down as a member of Session in January 2021. Trevor will still serve as elder and assist Session when needed, so he's not going anywhere, but we wanted to pay tribute to him now.

Trevor and Nikki were founder members of Table View United Church in 1994. Trevor has served on Session for almost the entire existence of our congregation.

They were always involved in everything – running home groups, helping to clear and fill someone's swimming pool, painting a school, arranging social events, greeting at the door, helping to run Alpha courses, and so much more.

Trevor's wisdom shone through as one of those few people who would sit and say nothing until necessary, and when speaking wisdom just flowed out. We salute our dear brother, and we pray the Lord gives him rest after his many years of sacrificial service towards this congregation. We are sad to see him go, but we are joyful to have been able to serve alongside this wonderful man of God who has helped this congregation grow into what it is today.

Easter Church Services

Win took on the challenge of capturing the essence of the Holy Week by creating the display and decoration for the Easter services. She went into incredibly fine detail, such as creating the cave and stone where Jesus was kept. Thanks Win for this magnificent work of art and for serving



Bless you Win





Fellowship & Prayer groups

TUESDAY

Ladies Fellowship Group – 9:30 am

Ladies 50 + sharing life and supporting each other, while making use of teaching material & DVDs to study the Bible.

Suzanna Cook – 082 927 3868

WEDNESDAY

Fellowship Group – 7:30 pm

Vast range of ages in the group. We tackle different subjects of Christianity based on the scriptures.

Trevor Alexander – 082 309 7479

Home and Fellowship Group-10:30am

Mixed group studying various subjects at Paul and Win's home, 25 Sundown Terraces, Bishops Bend

Win Forsythe- 082 391 8309

THURSDAY

Ladies Fellowship Group – 10:00 am to 11:30 am

This facilitated group of ladies meet weekly to Fellowship and pray

Mary Logan – 072 049 6570

FRIDAY

PRAYER MEETING – 9:00 am

Prayers of Intercession for our church, members, their families and friends.

**Select home groups will
open after the 28th Feb**

April Birthdays

- 2 Ray Nessel
- 4 Katherine Lott
- 9 Mary Logan
- 15 Paul Forsythe
- 15 Vili Vassilev
- 16 Rodger Chirwa
- 17 Noah Clark
- 17 Nikki Alexander
- 22 Leonard Nkhata
- 27 Peggy Kritzinger
- 30 Nelis Visagie



**OUR WEBSITE IS UP AND
RUNNING**

WWW.TVUC.CO.ZA

LINKS TO ALL SERMONS ON YOU TUBE

ALL EDITIONS OF THE HARK ARE LOADED

Bobby Jutzen dispensing God's Grace

On the wall of our Pastoral Care Centre hangs a picture of Bobby and his late wife Maureen. Inscribed on it are the words, "Husbands love your wives." And Bobby did just that. After their initial arrival at TVUC Maureen regressed rapidly as dementia took hold of her. At first she recognised people, but later there was simply a blank look. Things eventually got so bad that she said to Bobby one day that she didn't have a husband. On one occasion when Bobby was with Maureen at the bank she walked out of the bank when he was talking to the teller. After a frantic search for her Bobby got the centre to review the camera footage and Maureen was picked up leaving the centre.

She was later found kilometres away, walking down the centre of Blaauberg Road, pushing a police officer away as she strode on. This was traumatic.

After a period of time Bobby was recognised by TVUC as leadership material and he was nominated elected and he became an integral part of session. During this period of time session meetings were held at b's flat.

Because he was learning more and more about dementia as Maureen regressed he decided to start a dementia support group to help other families who had family members suffering from this condition. He effectively became God's hands to these families. As the dementia support group grew he appeared on both radio and tv spreading his knowledge and care for other families in distress. To many of these families he became salt and light through his support.

As he leaves TVUC he leaves behind a legacy of commitment and love for the lives that he has touched.

Well done you good and faithful servant. We as a congregation wish both Bobby and Sandra well and may TVUC 's loss be Strandfontein's blessing.

Article written by Trevor Alexander



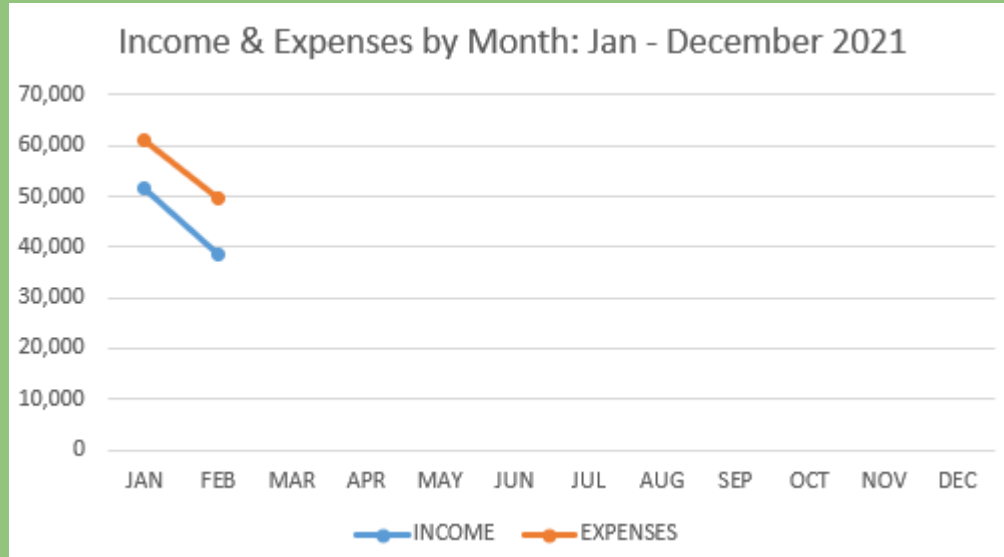
Winter Warmth kicks off again

In 2020 amidst a global crisis, our members made and collected over 3500 items of clothing for the needy. The challenge is on for 2021 to beat this amount



Some magnificent knitted items made by our VERY talented Mary Logan

From the Treasurer's desk...



2020 so far..

Cumulative we are **down**
-R 7663 for this year as at
January 2021

Total Balances:
January -R9751 February -R 10973 March
April May June July August
September October November December
YTD Cumulative – R7663 for 2021 so far

For your convenience during the shutdown, should you wish to make deposits into our bank account, the details are below.....

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Ministry...

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

2nd Saturday of the month - 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Bobby Jutzen – 083 659 7850

OPERATION MOBILIZATION (OM)

An international, interdenominational missions' organization, in relationship with churches, sends volunteers from all walks of life into world missions.

Andre + Peggy Kritzinger – 076 782 5107

TRANSFORMED LIVING IN CHRIST

TLC is a personal prayer ministry done in complete confidentiality. You will experience mostly emotional/ psychological healing and also physical healing.

Elmarie Neilson – 082 557 0993

MONTHLY PRAYERS FOR REVIVAL

Praying for the salvation, restoration and spiritual revival of Table View, Cape Town and country.

1st Tue of the month 9:00 – 10:00 am @ TVUC

Sandi Nasset - 082 560 8968

AGAPE TABLE

Delicious baked goods on sale after service - Enjoy a bite to eat with your coffee! All proceeds to Missions Fund. Volunteers to bake/serve appreciated.

FOOD BASKET

Supports families in need by distributing monthly food parcels. Members are encouraged to donate items.

Patricia Maragelis – 084 381 3018

SANDWICH MINISTRY

Meets Mondays 7:45 am

Serving our community in a practical way by providing school kids with lunch.

Patricia Maragelis – 084 381 3018

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CHURCH LIBRARY

Discover an excellent selection of books & DVDs for all ages!

Open **Sundays & Weekdays** (Tues, Thurs, Fri 9 am – 1 pm).

Jeanette Thomas – 082 477 1997

KIDS MINISTRY LIBRARY

Treasure trove of books & DVDs for kids and teens.

Jacqui & Hannah Cameron – 083 375 1353

MENS PRAYER MINISTRY

Monday 19h00 onwards at the Church

Intercessory Prayer with men.

Brian Banks – 083 518 7525

Pastoral Care...

Please contact an elder or Andrew for emergencies, for prayer requests, for them know about illnesses, needs or any pastoral issues. The minister, the elders, and prayer warriors are available at all times and will respond. When you contact them you can say whether your request is private, for the pastor, for a pastoral team, or whether it can be shared with the congregation. We will find out whether there is a need for a visit or a meal.

