



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9 am.

We are at present studying the four Gospels. Johan is facilitating the class. Please join us during this time of learning God's Word.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY - 10 AM

All ladies are encouraged to attend the Wednesday Ladies Bible class. The ladies are busy studying the minor prophets of the Bible.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CLASS 9am

Please bring your children to the Children's Bible class. It is so important to bring a child up in God's Way, teaching them about God's Word and God's Love.

Song Leader: Mike Baisley
Opening Prayer: Ray Calder
Closing Prayer: Jan Roberts
Servers: Jan, Ray, Thando & Chris

Scripture Reading: Thando Ntozakhe
Lord's Table: Chris du Preez
Attendance last Sunday: 39

The Prophet Daniel – which means “God is my Judge.”

Nine things we should know about Daniel:

He is the last of the four Major Prophets. Although Jews only count Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel among the Major Prophets, Christian tradition identifies Daniel as a fourth.

He was taken into exile as a young man. Daniel was one of the many hostages taken from the Jewish aristocracy during the first wave of the Babylonian Exile. Together with three of his close companions, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, he was forced to leave his homeland of Judah.

He served in both the Babylonian and Persian royal courts. Daniel made an immediate good impression when the Persians came to the throne - so good, in fact, that his fellow courtiers grew jealous and attempted to have him killed (read Daniel 6).

He was a dreamer. Daniel was famous for his prophetic visions, as well as his ability to interpret the dreams of others.

His book is the origin of the phrase, "the writing on the wall." The events of Daniel 5 happened because Belshazzar has gravely offended God by allowing the sacred vessels stolen from the Jerusalem Temple to be used by those in attendance. Suddenly, the loud revelry was interrupted when a mysterious hand appeared and began writing on the wall, hence the origin of the famous phrase! Daniel interprets the divine script to mean that Belshazzar's days are numbered. Later that very night, Daniel's interpretation was proven correct when Belshazzar was killed by the Persians.

Liturgical purity is a major theme in his writings. The first half of the book of Daniel unveils an ongoing liturgical conflict between the kingdoms of men and the kingdom of God.

He predicted when the Messiah would come. In chapter 9, Daniel offers a famous oracle of the coming of the Messiah (read Dan 9: 24 - 27).

He is a model for how Christians should live in the world. Believers wrestling with what it means to live "in the world, but not of the world" can draw inspiration from the example of Daniel and his companions.

His writings are filled with hope. The setting for the book of Daniel is one of the darkest periods in Israel's history, a time when the Jewish religion appeared irreparably damaged and the God of the patriarchs all but defeated. In this gloomy context, the spiritual heroism of Daniel and his companions shines all the brighter. Even after the Jerusalem Temple is destroyed, they prove that God can and should still be worshiped, and their faithfulness is rewarded when the Lord repeatedly delivered them from harm.

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SUNDAY TIMES:

BIBLE STUDIES: 09H00

WORSHIP: 10H00 TO 11H00

26 OCTOBER 2025

Preacher: Ordene Engelbrecht

Sermon Topic: "The Spirit of Life"

Scripture reading: Galatians 5: 16 - 26

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the members in our congregation who are in need of God's grace, healing and strength through difficult times. Please pray for Taida Marembo, Geraldine's mother, Petro, Chester, Ian, Kate and Landon, as they are going through a very difficult time.

We also need to thank God for prayers answered.

BIRTHDAYS

Vicky Hall – 26 October

Joshua Harper – 28 October

We wish you all the best for the year and we hope you will be spoilt plenty!

ANNIVERSARIES

Lional & Lorna Howse – 31 October

Braam & Petro – 1 November

May God bless both couples with many years of happiness and love together!!

TEA AND BISCUITS

Please join us for fellowship after worship this morning while enjoying tea and biscuits. Ladies on duty are Erika and Louise.

WELCOME

We welcome all visitors to our worship this morning. We believe that you will be blessed as we worship God. Please feel free to ask any questions regarding our worship or about God's Word.

VERSES FOR THIS WEEK

Psalms 73: 26, "My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."

Nehemiah 8: 10, "Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Deuteronomy 31: 6, "Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you."

GOD'S SONG

Wishing to encourage her young son's progress on the piano, a mother took her boy to a Paderewski concert. After they were seated, the mother spotted a friend in the audience and walked down the aisle to greet her. Seizing the opportunity to explore the wonders of the concert hall, the little boy rose and eventually explored his way through a door marked "NO ADMITTANCE."

When the house lights dimmed and the concert was about to begin, the mother returned to her seat and discovered that the child was missing.

Suddenly, the curtains parted and spotlights focused on the impressive Steinway on stage. In horror, the mother saw her little boy was sitting at the keyboard, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." At that moment, the great piano master made his entrance, quickly moved to the piano, and whispered in the boy's ear, "Don't quit. Keep playing."

Then, leaning over, Paderewski reached down with his left hand and began filling in a bass part. Soon, his right arm reached around to the other side of the child and he added a running obligato. Together, the old master and the young novice transformed a frightening situation into a wonderfully creative experience. The audience was so mesmerized that they couldn't recall what else the great master played - only the classic "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star."

That's the way it is with God. What we can accomplish on our own is hardly noteworthy. We try our best, but the results aren't exactly graceful flowing music. However, with the hand of the Master, our life's work truly can be beautiful. Next time you set out to accomplish great feats, listen carefully. You can hear the voice of the Master, whispering in your ear, "Don't quit. Keep playing."

Feel His loving arms around you. Know that His strong hands are there helping you turn your feeble attempts into true masterpieces. God doesn't call the equipped; He equips the called. He'll always be there to love and guide you on to great things.