



MOWBRAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

30 September 2018

Healing Service 9.45 am



RECONCILIATION

Welcome to our special healing and reconciliation service. Today we are provided with opportunity for serious consideration of the invasive nature of racism and prejudice in our hearts and minds. We will have opportunity to ask ourselves in what ways, as a congregation, we have contributed to the pain experienced by others. What has been the result of our inner prejudices and secret attitudes of racism. "All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us." (2 Corinthians 5:18-19) *Visitors are invited to complete a Visitor's Card available at the end of your pew. We'd love to get to know you and to keep in touch with you. Do join us for a bring-and-share tea in the hall after church!*

What's happening?

2 Oct.	9.00 am 5.00 pm	Friendship Group Committee meeting Combined Finance & Property Committee Meeting
5 Oct.		Dave leading Holy Spirit Day for Learn to Earn
6-8 Oct.		Dave's Weekend off
7 Oct.	8.45 am 9.45 am	Prayer meeting <i>Holy Communion Healing Service</i>
9 Oct.	10.00 am	Friendship Group Spring Tea at Kirstenbosch
11-12 Oct.		Dave at New Testament conference
13 Oct.-10 Dec.		Nigel's long leave

Sermon and Scripture - 30 September 2018

Sermon: *We have been entrusted with the ministry of reconciliation*
Preacher: Dave and Nigel
Scriptures: **2 Corinthians 5:11-25**

Ministers: Nigel Chikanya and Dave Smit
Session Clerk: Serge Lajona

Let's take time to meditate on the Scriptures this week. Our theme is the healing and restoration of interpersonal relationships.

Mon. 01 October | 1 Corinthians 12:7–11 Spiritual gifts

Paul tells us that healing, like all the spiritual gifts, is given for the “common good” of the church (v. 7). The church should therefore pray for healing today.

Tues. 02 October | Mark 6:4–6 Healing and faith

The Bible teaches us that healing, like other spiritual gifts and fruitful labours, can be inhibited by our lack of faith. Believe and pray in faith for healing!

Wed. 03 October | Psalm 107:17–22 Human need and Divine intervention

Recognise the situation you are in; cry out to God and tell God what you need; accept the deliverance that God brings; and then give thanks to God.

Thur. 04 October | Acts 3:1–13 The healing of a crippled beggar

When God gives a gift of healing, it is always intended to glorify Jesus Christ and to point us to believe in his gospel. Please, Lord, heal your people!

Fri. 05 October | Matthew 10:5–10 Jesus sending out the twelve

“Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give” (v. 8). What a mandate! God is sending you!

Sat. 06 October | 2 Chronicles 7:13–15 The ministry of reconciliation

“If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land” (v. 14). We pray that you heal our land, Lord!

Sun. 07 October | James 5:13–15 The prayer of faith

How should we pray for healing? The Bible provides a few models but no formulas. Basically we should ask God.

**Friendship Group Spring Tea at Kirstenbosch
Tuesday, 9 October 2018**

Please join us for tea in the Moyo Restaurant at Kirstenbosch at 10 a.m. For transport needs, or if you can offer help with transport, please phone Hazel Campbell, tel. 021 689 1609. *Please note:* if you are planning to attend and have not already told Di Wares at the last meeting, please let Susan in the office or Dave know as soon as possible and no later than Sunday 7 October. If you have not already paid Di, you should bring R50.00 for tea/coffee and a scone. Also *please note* that it is vital that you bring your ID with you if you wish to be admitted free to Kirstenbosch as a senior.

Today: Johnson Mosoko

01 Oct: Aliyah Mbombo

03 Oct: Roxanne Bezuidenhout

03 Oct: Sumatra Lusaseni

03 Oct: Thulisa Base

