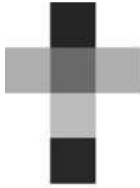


Welcome to the



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Bible Readings for the coming Week

Monday, April 23:	Psalm 95; 1 Samuel 16:1-13;	1 Peter 5:1-5
Tuesday, April 24:	Psalm 95; 1 Chronicles 11:1-9;	Revelation 7:13-17
Wednesday, April 25:	Psalm 95; Micah 7:8-20;	Mark 14:26-31
Thursday, April 26:	Psalm 22:25-31; Amos 8:1-7;	Acts 8:1b-8
Friday, April 27:	Psalm 22:25-31; Amos 8:11-13;	Acts 8:95
Saturday, April 28:	Psalm 22:25-31; Amos 9:7-15;	Mark 4:30-32

A Prayer of Martin Luther

O God, grant us grace
to receive Jesus Christ in every person
and to be Jesus Christ to every person.
Amen.

Order of Service for Sunday 22 April 2018

4th Sunday of Easter

Call to Worship (congregational responses **in bold**)

With the Lord as my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

In green pastures he will let me lie;

by still waters he will lead me.

He will restore my soul;

he will guide me in ways of salvation for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; for you will be with me;

your rod and your crook will comfort me.

You have prepared a table before me, a sign to my foes;

you have anointed my head with oil; my cup runs over.

Truly, goodness and love will follow me

all the days of my life, and I shall come home

to the house of the Lord for ever.

Introit (Sonrise): **Be Still**

(MP 50)

1 Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear:
in Him no sin is found –
we stand on holy ground.
Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

2 Be still,
for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;

He burns with holy fire,
with splendour He is crowned:
how awesome is the sight –
our radiant King of light!
Be still,
for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

- 3 Be still,
for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace –
no work too hard for Him.
In faith receive from Him.
Be still,
for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Welcome

Prayer of Approach

Praise: The Lord's my shepherd

(MP 660)

- 1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; He leadeth me
the quiet waters by.
- 2 My soul He doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for His own name's sake.

- 3 Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill;
for Thou art with me, and Thy rod
and staff me comfort still.
- 4 My table Thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head Thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

Children's Message

Praise: Saviour, teach me day by day

(JP)

1 Savior! teach me, day by day,
Love's sweet lesson to obey;
Sweeter lesson cannot be,
Loving Him Who first loved me.

2 With a childlike heart of love,
At Thy bidding may I move;
Prompt to serve and follow Thee,
Loving Him Who first loved me.

3 Teach me all Thy steps to trace,
Strong to follow in Thy grace;
Learning how to love from Thee;
Loving Him Who first loved me.

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Confession

- *concluding with The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Praise: Father, hear the prayer we offer (MP 132)

- 1 Father, hear the prayer we offer:
not for ease that prayer shall be,
but for strength, that we may ever
live our lives courageously.
- 2 Not for ever in green pastures
do we ask our way to be:
but by steep and rugged pathways
would we strive to climb to Thee.
- 3 Not for ever by still waters
would we idly quiet stay;

but would smite the living fountains
from the rocks along our way.

- 4 Be our strength in hours of weakness,
in our wanderings be our guide;
through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be Thou at our side.
- 5 Let our path be bright or dreary,
storm or sunshine be our share;
may our souls, in hope unwearied,
make Thy work our ceaseless prayer.

Readings:

1 John 3: 16 – 24

(p. 1227)

16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?

18 Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

19 This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence:

20 If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

21 Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God

22 and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him.

23 And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us.

24 The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

John 10: 11 – 18

(p. 1076)

11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

12 The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it.

13 The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

14 "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—

15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep.

16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

17 The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again.

18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

Sermon

Praise: We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord (SGP 111)

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Church News

Sonrise:

The power of your love

(MP 880)

1 Lord, I come to You,
let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace that I've found in You.
And, Lord, I've come to know
the weaknesses I see in me
will be stripped away
by the power of Your love.

*Hold me close,
let Your love surround me;
bring me near,
draw me to Your side.
And as I wait,
I'll rise up like the eagle,
and I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on
in the power of Your love.*

2 Lord, unveil my eyes,
let me see You face to face,
the knowledge of Your love as You live in me.
Lord, renew my mind,
as Your will unfolds in my life

in living every day
in the power of Your love.
Hold me close . . .

I could sing your love forever (MP 1006)

Over the mountains and the sea
Your river runs with love for me,
and I will open up my heart
and let the Healer set me free.
I'm happy to be in the truth
and I will daily lift my hands
for I will always sing
of when Your love came down, yeah.

*I could sing of Your love for ever,
I could sing of Your love for ever,
I could sing of Your love for ever,
I could sing of Your love for ever.*

Oh, I feel like dancing; it's foolishness, I know,
but when the world has seen the light,
they will dance for joy like we're dancing now.

I could sing of Your love . . .

Prayers for Others - Elder

Praise: Make me a channel of your peace (MP 456)

1 Make me a channel of Your peace.

Where there is hatred let me bring Your love;
where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

2 Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Master . . .

3 Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive;
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Benediction and Three-fold Amen

Opportunities for Bible Study

Wednesday 25rd April @ 8pm at Irene Bom's – Ladies' Bible Study. Topic: "Fruit of the Spirit".

Sunday 29th April @ 9.15am in the Creche – Bible Study. Topic: Ecological Spirituality Open to all – just come along!

The **Young Adults Group** meets after the Service, around 12.30, in the Attic. Open to all students and young professionals. More details from William Jardine.

The next **Consistory Meeting** will be on **Tuesday evening, 24 April, at 7.45pm.**

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com
For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays

This week we congratulate Michellyne v.d. Hulst-van Putten, Joke Cromwell and Robert Ewing on their birthdays.

Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

What's on the agenda?

Tuesday 24 Apr 19h45 Consistory Meeting
Sunday 29 April 9h15 Bible Study – Ecological Spirituality 4
10h30 Worship for the 5th Sunday of Easter
Sunday 6 May 10h30 Sacrament of Holy Communion

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Derek Lawson
Elder: Esther Abang
Children's message: Derek Lawson
Organist: Joseph Hoang Nguyen
Sonrise: Rev. Irene Bom
Bible Reader: Hank Meldrum
Welcome: Margriet van Overbeeke & Steve Russell
Crèche: Christa & Jaco Jacobs
Offering & Counting: Eric Wenfua & Mavis Fleming
Door: James Essel
Beamer: Joshua Paundra
Recording: Andre v.d. Velden
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Summary 15.04.18

Open plate	252.77
Envelopes	447.50
Coffee money	0.00
Sunday school	8.80
Soup Lunch 8/4	31.20
Bank (weekly avg.)	454.00
Fixed rental weekly avg.	368.00
Additional rental avg	<u>322.00</u>
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Average Weekly expenditure	2,038.00

Church News of 15.04.2018 announced by the Elder

Please check the agenda in this Order of Service and take it home for further reference.

To be added as it comes available

If you like to receive the **SICR Bulletin** in your mailbox every Thursday, make sure Ato Bob has your email address.

If you did not hear these announcements properly, find them on the **Notice Board** downstairs, with a copy to take away.

Please note: the spoken word counts!