

**IN-PERSON SUNDAY SERVICES ARE AT 8.30AM**  
**THE WEEKLY ORDER OF SERVICE, HYMNS AND SERMON ARE**  
**AVAILABLE ONLINE ON OUR WEBSITE: WWW.STJOHNSUNITED.CO.ZA**  
**STRICT COVID REGULATIONS ARE FOLLOWED TO ENSURE THE**  
**SAFETY OF THOSE WHO WILL WISH TO ATTEND SERVICES**



**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST UNITED CHURCH**  
An ecumenical Church of Anglican Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Membership

**WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

## READINGS FOR SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022

Psalm 148	Page 703
Acts 11: 1-18	Page 152
Revelation 21: 1-6	Page 309
John 13: 31-35	Page 127

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*Daily Devotions and the Sunday order of service and Sermon are available  
on our website: [www.stjohnsunitied.co.za](http://www.stjohnsunitied.co.za)*

*If you would like to receive these on your mobile, please email the Church  
office*

*If you would like to become a member of St John's Church, please contact  
the Church office for more information and a membership form*



## READINGS FOR THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER 08 MAY 2022

Psalm 23	Page 611
Acts 9: 36-43	Page 150
Revelation 7:9-17	Page 297
John 10: 22-30	Page 122

## THE COLLECT

God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant: perfect us in all goodness that we may do your will and make us what you would have us be; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always thankfully receive the immeasurable benefit of his sacrifice, and also daily endeavours to follow his holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

'After that glorious Easter-time – what were we to do next? The practicalities of daily life could not be ignored – so back to work we went. Yet without him our work proved fruitless. Only when he called and guided us did our new life's work begin.'

Lord, we seek you not only on Sundays, but on every day and in every place. We seek you in our church life and service, in our homes, our work and our leisure.

Lord, in our daily lives and work:  
Be with us, call us, guide us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen

**We remember those in our community who are sick:**

Miranda van Dyk

**And for those who receive communion at home:**

Jean Heron, Beryl Perrow and congregational members in Rosehaven Retirement Village and San Sereno Retirement Centre



# NOTICES

## HARVEST FESTIVAL: 15 MAY

This year we will be donating all the foodstuffs collected at our Harvest Festival to the children of Tumelo Home for Disabled Children in Ivory Park. Please support us by donating non-perishable food stuffs or cash (which we use to purchase additional foods).

## BIBLE STUDY BEGINS: 16 MAY @ 2.30pm

The two Monday Bible Study groups will be joining together for a study on Prayer. They will meet at the Church on Monday afternoons from 16 May at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

## JUMBLE SHOP

The Jumble Shop is in desperate need of more stock, especially bedding, including blankets, pillows and duvets. We also need curtains and men's footwear urgently. Any donations can be dropped off at the church office or left with our caretaker Sam.

We appeal to everyone to visit the Jumble Shop and to bring your friends, colleagues and employees.

From 4 May, we will be open every Wednesday from 11am until 2pm to accommodate lunch shoppers

## SOUP KITCHEN REOPENS

The Soup Kitchen will reopen on Wednesday 01 June from 11am to 1pm. We plan to offer a space where people can get a warm meal served to them, where general information is available, where ideas are shared and where fellowship is created. If you would like to be part of this amazing ministry, please contact Jacqui in the office.

## FLOWER AND BISCUIT ROSTERS 2022

If you would like to sponsor flowers on a Sunday, in memory of a loved one or to celebrate an important milestone or wish to donate biscuits or cakes after the service please complete the rosters in the vestibule.



WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ebele Radizi and Terance Hove

(13 May)

## **BLANKET FUND APPEAL 2022**

Dear friends

As the nights become longer and the cold begins to knock on our doors, we realise that winter will soon be upon us.

Each year St John's organises a Blanket Fund Appeal from which we purchase and distribute warm blankets to the most needy in our community. We hope to reach a target of 1000 blankets to distribute to various charities and Homes. Every donation, no matter the size, will make a difference.

We continue to rely heavily on the generosity of the St John's congregation, as well as corporate donors such as the Robert Niven Trust. The time has come for us to seek the support of additional donors so that we can increase the number of blankets we are able to purchase and reach our goal of 1000 blankets!

Whilst many members of our congregation may have already retired, there may be some of us who still have networks of contacts, friends and ex-colleagues; others may have children in business and perhaps grandchildren in local schools who would be interested in supporting this cause.

If you know of anyone who may be prepared to assist us with a donation or would like more information on this very worthy project, please call me (082 892 8061) or contact the Church office (011 783 1033).

Donations may be dropped off at the Church office, in the collection bag (please used a marked envelope) or via an electronic transfer (please use the reference Blanket Fund and your name if you wish).

Many thanks in advance.

Mike Chambers – Convenor St John's Blanket Fund

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