



CROSS BEAMS

ST. CRUCIS LUTHERAN CHURCH, Beacon Bay
LUTHER CHURCH, Brakfontein

APRIL - MAY 2001

DEAR CONGREGATION,



This time of the year we especially remember the suffering and death of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is a very intensive time in congregational life. In February we have started with the Alpha Course, a joint venture of St. Andrew's and St. Crucis, and additional Lenten Services are held.

The death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ is the heart of our faith. Even though we know that Jesus died for our sins, we battle to grasp it. Was it really necessary? In one of the videos of the Alpha Course the Anglican Pastor Nicki Gumbel used the following example :

One day a person who had committed a crime was led before a Judge. The Judge got a shock because he recognised the criminal. This guy was the friend he went to school with. It was an unpleasant situation. The Judge sentenced his former friend correctly.

After giving him a heavy fine, he came down to his friend and gave him a check of the same amount.

THIS IS WHAT GOD HAS DONE FOR US.



As he has a responsibility for law and order, he could not allow us human beings to get away with our sin that has bad consequences in our daily lives. But the Heavenly Father has compassion on us as he is a great lover. Therefore God came down on earth in his Son Jesus Christ and paid the penalty for our sins through his painful death on the cross. But his suffering and death is only one side, his resurrection from the dead the other. Through the resurrection from the dead Jesus Christ has proved to be the victor and opened the gate to eternal life.

His crucifixion and resurrection are the two sides of the heart of the Christian Faith. This heart is fire red because God's love is great!

Best wishes to you for this special time of Lent and for Easter.

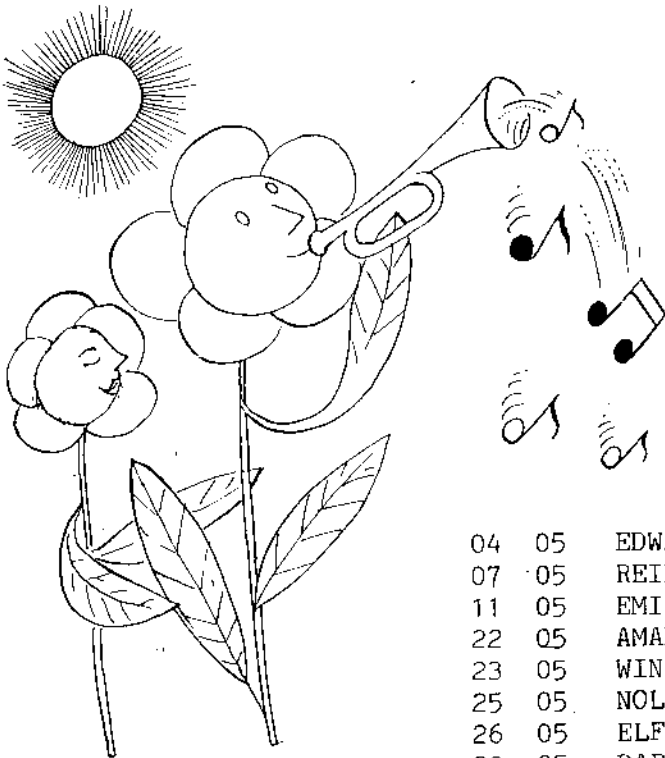


PASTOR RÜDIGER LUTZ

ST. CRUCIS BEACON BAY AND LUTHER CHURCH BRAKFONTEIN

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO OUR SENIOR MEMBERS

06	04	EDWARD ANDREWS	1919
14	04	CHARLES GREEN	1939
18	04	RUTH LENTZ	1938
30	04	MILDA KRETZMANN	1913



04	05	EDWARD MOLDENHAUER	1941
07	05	REINHARD PUCHERT	1934
11	05	EMIL SCHONKNECHT	1924
22	05	AMANDA RADLOFF	1932
23	05	WINFRIED TESSENDORF	1939
25	05	NOLA BUSS	1938
26	05	ELFRIED LENTZ	1934
29	05	DAPHNE BECKMANN	1935
31	05	OTTO KARSHAGEN	1927



"A MERCIFUL CHURCH"

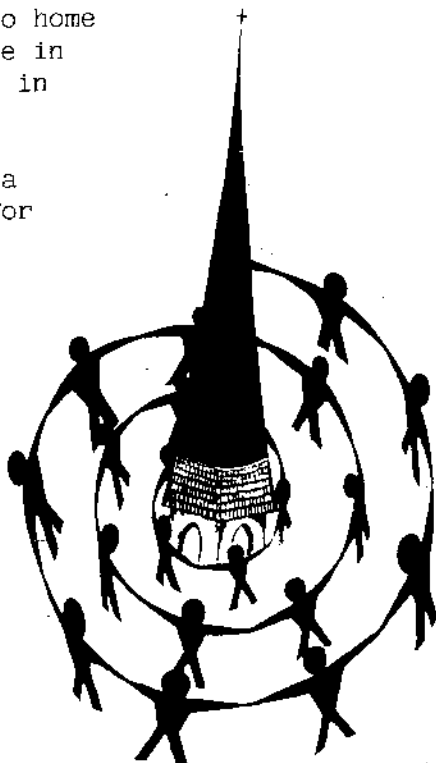
If Satan can remove mercy from the conduct of Christians, the Church will die. If we become so busy with buildings, budgets and baptisms that we lose compassion for the suffering stream of humanity that flows through our doors, we may as well close our doors.

If there is no mercy in the house of God, then the glory of the Lord is departed. There is no peace, no joy, no love. Without mercy the church is a tree with no fruit. It's a well without water. It's a cloud without rain. Without mercy, the church becomes nothing more than a religious country club. The building should be burned to the ground before the congregation gets sued for false advertising!

The Greek word for merciful is 'eleemon', which means "to be beneficial". It's God's will that every church be beneficial to those who walk through its doors. Those attending should go home in a better condition than the one in which they came, from having been in the presence of God's mercy.

The church is a healing force in a hurting world. It's a hospital for the battered and broken. It's a fortress of faith in a world of doubt and skepticism. It's a house of comfort where hope is reborn. It's a place of worship where God is revered, where His word is proclaimed and where His Son, Jesus, is Lord.

from "Being Happy in an Unhappy World" by John Hagee



NEWS AND NOTES



OBITUARY:

It has pleased Almighty God to take from our midst the following member from St. Crucis. Our sympathy and prayers are with the family.

OLGA JOHANNA KIECK on 12th March 2001.

"If we live, it is for the Lord that we live, and if we die, it is for the Lord that we die. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord." Romans 14:8.

MARRIAGE:

Congratulations to Alda Hempel and Brendan Kieck on your marriage. 24/03/2001



"The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in the decisions you make; for it is to this peace that God has called you together in the one body. And be thankful." Colossians 3:15.

BIRTHS:

Congratulations to Johan and Leanne Labuschagne on the birth of your daughter Tasmin Arianne, born on 28th February 2001.

"But for those who honour the Lord, his love lasts for ever, and his goodness endures for all generations of those who are true to his covenant and who faithfully obey his commands." Psalm 103:17-18.

ANNIVERSARY:

Congratulations Wilfred and Olga Reynolds on your 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Congratulations Billy and Elsi Richter on your 50th Wedding Anniversary.

"And I will be with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:20b.

NEW MEMBERS:

St. Crucis has welcomed the following new members:-

Cindy Weber and children Juan and Reece.

Brian and Elizabeth Kopke and children Justin and Janine.

Ewald and Luise Lentz.

We thank and praise God for adding to our membership at St. Crucis. We wish you all God's richest blessings!

CONFIRMATION:

NEW GROUP OF CONFIRMANDS IN THE SECOND HALF OF THIS YEAR.

Some of you have been wondering why a new group of confirmands has not yet started. The main reason is that there would have been too many interruptions during the teaching process due to my holiday, the extremely busy time of Lent and the exams at school. I hope that you will have a new resident minister who will start confirmation class in the second half of this year. If not, I will definitely start with a new group. Details in the following edition of the newsletter.

PASTOR LUTZ.

**STIR-FRY
EVENING***

DATE: 6 APRIL 2001

TIME: 7:00 FOR 7:30PM

PLACE: ST CRUCIS LUTHERAN
CHURCH HALL

ADULTS: R20-00 P/P (incl. stir fry and pudding)

CHILDREN: R12-00 (12 yrs & under)

PLEASE BRING OWN REFRESHMENTS/BAR

SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND RAISING VENTURE
COME ALONG & ENJOY THIS SOCIAL EVENT

**TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL
TEACHERS**





PLEASE SUPPORT!

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

The W.A. ladies have decided to hold all future meetings in the church hall. Meetings will always take place on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9H00. PLEASE JOIN US!

On Tuesday 20th March we had great fun painting eggs and making gifts for Easter. On the 8th April, Olga's bunnies and Easter gifts will be on sale. Many thanks to Olga for this great idea. After the Easter Sale, we will start working for the bazaar. White elephant goods can already be brought to the office for cleaning and sorting. We need empty plant pots so if anyone has some to spare for the bazaar.

STAR-LIGHTS:

- * April 20th - Night walk in the Zoo.
- * May 4th - Travelling supper.



Youth leaders will phone with regards to time.

SENIOR YOUTH:

Due to public holidays and other church activities, there is unfortunately no available Friday in the month of April, to hold a senior youth meeting.

- * MAY 4TH - Travelling supper.

SENIOR SPORTS:

Sports days on 4th April and 9th May.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

- * STIR-FRY EVENING - 6TH APRIL.
- * CAKE SALE 26/05/2001 AT SERVISTAR.

CHOIR:

Practice every Sunday before or after the Service until Easter.

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

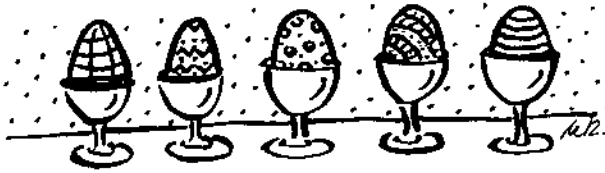
Our first special collection will be on Sunday the 29th April. Every 5th Sunday we will be having a special collection at the door for congregation members in need.

HISTORICAL DATA:

We are still in need of information regarding Historical data to update our Church album. Please hand all data to Charlotte. Your help in this regard will be greatly appreciated.

PRAYER CHAIN:

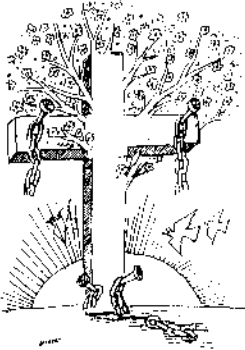
Our prayer chain needs to be updated, so please if there is anyone in the congregation that would like to take part in the prayer chain please, contact Angene at 748-3291.



THANKS

A big thank-you to Derrill Hempel for bringing in a crew of weeders.

Also to Vernon Krull for fixing the fans in the hall and kitchen.

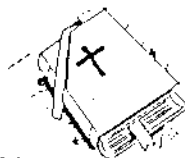


Wishing Otto & Joyce Sporke
Godspeed on your trip to
New Zealand.

Never underestimate the power of your actions. With one small gesture you can change a person's life. For better or for worse. God puts us all in each other's lives to impact one another in some way. Look for God in others.

"Friends are angels who lift us to our feet when our wings have trouble remembering how to fly".

DAILY BIBLE READINGS



APRIL 2001

1. MARK 10:35-45
2. EPHESIANS 2:11-16
3. JOB 19:21-27
4. HEBREW 9:11-15
5. 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-5
6. HEBREW 10:11-18
7. REVELATION 14:1-3
8. JOHN 12:12-19
9. ROMANS 5:1-11
10. MARK 15:1-20
11. LUKE 22:1-6
12. JOHN 13:1-15
13. JOHN 19:16-30
14. 1 PETER 3:18-22
15. MARK 16:1-8
16. LUKE 24:13-35
17. 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-20
18. JOHN 20:1-10
19. JOHN 21:1-14
20. LUKE 24:36-47
21. 2 TIMOTHY 2:8-13
22. JOHN 20:19-29
23. ISAIAH 42:10-16
24. 1 PETER 1:22-25
25. JOHN 17:1-9
26. 1 PETER 2:1-10
27. REVELATION 7:9-17
28. ISAIAH 43:14-21
29. JOHN 10:11-16
30. 1 PETER 5:1-4

MAY 2001

1. 2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-16
2. JEREMIAH 3:14-18
3. EPHESIANS 4:11-16
4. MATTHEW 26:30-35
5. JOHN 14:1-6
6. JOHN 15:1-8
7. ROMANS 1:18-25
8. 2 CORINTHIANS 5:11-18
9. JOHN 8:31-36
10. ROMANS 8:1-11
11. JOHN 19:1-7
12. REVELATION 22:1-5
13. MATTHEW 11:25-30
14. JAMES 1:17-27
15. LUKE 19:28-40
16. ROMANS 15:14-21
17. REVELATION 5:6-14
18. LUKE 22:39-46
19. MARK 9:14-29
20. 1 TIMOTHY 2:1-6
21. 1 KINGS 3:5-15
22. EXODUS 17:8-13
23. LUKE 11:1-4
24. LUKE 24:50-53
25. 1 COLOSSIANS 1:15-23
26. EPHESIANS 6:10-20
27. JOHN 15:26 - 16:4
28. 1 JOHN 4:1-6
29. LUKE 21:12-19
30. LUKE 12:1-12
31. ACTS 1:12-26

AS ONE GETS OLDER, ONE GETS DEEPER & DEEPER INTO LIFE
UNTIL ONE IS PLANTED.

PROPER FOR APRIL AND MAY 2001.

<u>FIRST READING</u>	<u>SECOND READING</u>	<u>GOSPEL READING</u>
<u>1ST APRIL</u> <u>JUDICA SUNDAY</u> GENESIS 22:1-13	HEBREWS 5:7-9	MARK 10:35-45
<u>8TH APRIL</u> <u>PALM SUNDAY</u> ISAIAH 50:4-9	PHIL. 2:5-11	JOHN 12:12-19
<u>13TH APRIL</u> <u>GOOD FRIDAY</u> ISAIAH 52:13-15; 53:1-12	11 COR. 5:14b.-21	JOHN 19:16-30
<u>15TH APRIL</u> <u>EASTER SUNDAY</u> 1 SAMUEL 2:1-2,6-8a.	1 COR. 15:1-11	MARK 16:1-8
<u>22ND APRIL</u> <u>QUASIMODO GENITI SUNDAY</u> ISAIAH 40:26-31	1 PETER 1:3-9	JOHN 20:19-29
<u>29TH APRIL</u> <u>MISERICORDIUS DOMINI SUNDAY</u> EZEKIEL 34:1-16;31	1 PETER 2:21b.-25	JOHN 10:11-16; 27-30
<u>6TH MAY</u> <u>JUBILATE SUNDAY</u> GENESIS 1:1-5,26-31; 2:1-4a.	1 JOHN 5:1-4	JOHN 15:1-8
<u>13TH MAY</u> <u>CANTATE SUNDAY</u> ISAIAH 12:1-6	COL. 3:12-17	MATT. 11:25-30
<u>20TH MAY</u> <u>ROGATE SUNDAY</u> EXODUS 32:7-14	1 TIMOTHY 2:1-6a.	JOHN 16:23b.-33
<u>24TH MAY</u> <u>ASCENSION DAY</u> 1 KINGS 8:22-28	ACTS 1:3-11	LUKE 24:44-53
<u>27TH MAY</u> <u>EXAUDI SUNDAY</u> JEREMIAH 31:31-34	EPHESIANS 3:14-21	JOHN 15:26-16:1-4

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WATCHWORD FOR APRIL

"Why do you look for the living among the dead?" Luke 24 v 5

<i>SUNDAY</i> <i>JUDICA SUNDAY</i>	M O N D A Y	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>
1. WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL ST. CRUCIS 09H00 B - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH SERVICE 08H30 LORDS SUPPER (Bishop N Rohwer)		3. ALPHA COURSE 19H00	4. COMBINED SENIOR SPORTS 09H30	5.	6. SUNDAY SCHOOL STIR-FRY 19H00	7.
<i>PALM SUNDAY</i>			<i>GOOD FRIDAY</i>			
8. ST. CRUCIS WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL 10H30 LORDS SUPPER - (Pastor Lutz) A - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH NO SERVICE	9.	10. ALPHA COURSE 19H00	11.	12.	13. ST. CRUCIS 10H00 WORSHIP with LORDS SUPPER - (Pastor Lutz) LUTHER 08H00 WORSHIP with LORDS SUPPER - (Pastor Lutz)	14.
<i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>						
15. ST. CRUCIS 09H00 WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL - (Pastor Lutz) B - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH NO SERVICE	16.	17. WA MEETING 09H00 ALPHA COURSE 19H00	18.	19. CHURCH COMMITTEE MEETING 19H00	20. STARLIGHT'S NIGHT WALK IN THE ZOO (Time to be confirmed)	21.
<i>QUASIMODOGENITI SUNDAY</i>						
22. ST. CRUCIS 10H30 WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL LORDS SUPPER - (Pastor Lutz) A - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH - NO SERVICE	23.	24. ALPHA COURSE 19H00	25.	26.	27.	28.
<i>MISERIKORDIAS DOMINI SUNDAY</i>						
29. WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL ST. CRUCIS 09H00 B - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH - NO SERVICE	30.					

M A Y 2001

WATCHWORD FOR MAY

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. Col. Chp 4 v 6

SUNDAY	M O N D A Y	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1. ALPHA COURSE 19H00	2.	3.	4. STARLIGHTS TRAVELLING SUPPER	5.
JUBILATE SUNDAY						
6. ST. CRUCIS 09H00 WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL A-TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH SERVICE - 09H00	7.	8. ALPHA COURSE 19H00	9. COMBINED SENIOR SPORTS 09H30	10. CHURCH COMMITTEE MEETING 19H00	11.	12.
KANTATE SUNDAY						
13. WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL ST. CRUCIS 10H30 LORDS SUPPER (Pastor Lutz) B - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH NO SERVICE	14.	15. WA MEETING 09H00	16.	17.	18.	19.
ROGATE SUNDAY						
20. WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL ST. CRUCIS 09H00 A - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH SERVICE - 10H30 LORDS SUPPER (Pastor Lutz)	21.	22.	23.	24. 19H00 COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE at ST CRUCIS for ST ANDREW'S & LUTHER	25.	26. SUNDAY SCHOOL CAKE SALE AT SERVISTAR
EXAUDI SUNDAY						
27. WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL ST. CRUCIS 09H00 B - TEAM ON DUTY LUTHER CHURCH - NO SERVICE COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC	28.	29.	30.	31.		