



# We are Church

**A progressive, inclusive Christian faith community for all of God's people to be safe, seen and celebrated.**

May 2023

Hi everyone,

## Dates for your calendar

Here are some dates for your calendar.

- 11 June
- 25 June
- 9 July
- 23 July

Note - July has 5 Sundays so watch the WhatsApp group for information. Also there will be an 'extra' activity in July. Watch out for details.

## May 2023

It feels odd for me to be summarising what we did in the month of May when I did not attend either of the Sundays. **Mother's Day** was facilitated by Graeme and **Pentecost** Sunday by NJ. It is important to note, though, that MANY people contribute to the successful running of a Sunday service. Thanks to all who participated.

I understand from feedback received, that both Sundays were meaningful and special. What is a thrill for me, is that WAC is a living organism and can carry on regardless of whether the leader is present.

This reminded me of a quote by an author called, Rachel Held Evans, "Christianity isn't meant to simply be believed; it's meant to be lived, shared, eaten, spoken, and enacted in the presence of other people. They reminded me that, try as I may, I can't be a Christian on my own. I need a community. I need the church." We are Church is a special community, may God continue to be with us.

## Finance Update

- Our Investment account is growing. Not by a lot, but I guess over time we will see the progress.
- We continue to give a set amount per month to 'Be True 2 Me' and 'Neighbours'.
- We give R500 to the teens to distribute to causes they deem important. This month they gave this money to Naledi Shine (<http://naledishine.org/>) and Global Teachers Institute (<http://globalteachers.org/>). Both these organisations are represented in our community.

## Banking details

If you would like to make a contribution to We are Church, here are the details:

FNB Current Account

Account Name: We Are Church

Account Number: 6302 7817 569

## General Notices

If you would like to get involved by serving in the children's or teen's ministries, or to contribute to any of our services (reading, prayers, worship, preaching, teaching, etc) or by bringing snacks and drinks, please get in touch ([jane@codrington.biz](mailto:jane@codrington.biz)). Volunteers are more than welcome - we actually expect you to get involved.

## Some helpful resources

If you would like to have a ready-made playlist of **worship** songs available to you, here is a something that you may enjoy.

<https://music.apple.com/gb/playlist/we-are-church-worship/pl.u-vxy6k04C1oKo9b>

This is the link to the "We are Church" **YouTube Channel**. This is where the recordings of our talks are kept. Please go there and subscribe. Once we have 100 subscribers we will be able to name it "We are Church".

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzK3t1lg1v-ADNAd3\\_rQ-zA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzK3t1lg1v-ADNAd3_rQ-zA)

Some of you may want to follow the readings that I often refer to. Here is the **Lectionary** link: <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/downloads/Year%20C%202021-2022.pdf>