

Prayer Ministry

Please come forward as others leave the hall if you would like someone to pray with you



ALIGNMENT PRAYERS

Falling in line with God's plans

**COME AND PRAY WITH US:
TUESDAYS, 9AM**



Church Shepherds

Caring about each other

If you missed the meeting on Tuesday, but are interested in being part of our church team connecting with and reaching out to other members, please contact Claudina - 082 744 0346

THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2026



Global
Leadership
Network

Saturday 7 November
08:30 – 16:30 **R550** per adult

Group discounts are available, so please let Paul or Laurin know if you would like to attend!

Hosted by: Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk - Jeffreysbaai

Alpha is coming!

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We are planning a course for early 2027

Please contact Paul or Laurin or email stfrancisunitedchurch@gmail.com if you would like to be on the team helping!

BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Monday: Truth Matters! – 2 Peter 2:1-3

There will always be individuals and groups, (even in churches!), who bend the truth to suit themselves. The danger of these people lies not simply in their errors, but all the more so in the way they obscure and lead people away from Christ. They 'use' other people for their selfish ends, and their conduct can often bring the Christian message into disrepute. Their popularity does not make their teaching true nor does it excuse what they do. Pray for discernment amongst church leaders because truth matters, it shapes how we worship; what we believe and how we live.

Tuesday: Justice is Not Blind! – 2 Peter 2:4-10a

We may sometimes wonder why righteous and innocent people suffer, while wrongdoers appear to prosper. Peter reminds his readers of the inevitability of God's judgment, calling to mind the examples of Noah and the flood, as well as the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. The message is clear: in a world that feeds on lies and corruption, God will not ignore evil for ever. No-one can hide from God's judgment and we should trust that justice will prevail. Pray today for the patience and faith to trust God at His word: "Shall not the Judge of all the world do what is just?" (Genesis 18:25).

Wednesday: Look in the Mirror! – 2 Peter 2:10b-16

Arrogance, selfish desire and blasphemy are rife in every generation. There will always be those who promise freedom but are themselves held captive by corruption. The story of Balaam (Numbers chapters 22-24) reminds us how easily the desire for personal gain can distort spiritual judgment. But as much as we might recognise these failings in others, we are also invited to examine our own motives. None of us is immune to pride, greed and self-interest. The true measure of our spiritual maturity is marked by our readiness to place God's will above our own.



Thursday: Empty Words! – 2 Peter 2:17-22

Peter compares false teachers to springs without water and mists driven by a storm. Their high-sounding and persuasive words promise a form of freedom, but one that will inevitably prove to be false. Genuine freedom is not about doing whatever we please, rather it's about living as God intended; no longer allowing ourselves to be controlled by our sinful desires. Peter's warning is especially serious because he describes people who have known the way of righteousness but have subsequently turned their backs on it. It's a danger we all face. Pray today for those who seem to have lost their first love for Jesus.

Friday: Come Lord Jesus! – 2 Peter 3:1-7

Peter addresses those who mock the promise of Christ's return – a blasphemy that's just as prevalent today. Such people argue that because life continues as it always has, there's no reason to expect God's intervention any time soon. But looks can be deceiving. Our hope in our Lord's second coming depends, not on circumstances, but on the faithfulness of God. When others dismiss our hope, we can remain confident that history is moving towards God's appointed goal – Thy Kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven! Come Lord Jesus come!

Saturday: Use the Time! – 2 Peter 3:8-10

God's concept of time differs from our own. What may seem like a long delay to us should not be seen as evidence of forgetfulness or failure on God's part. God is patient, not wanting people to perish but desiring them to come to repentance. The wait is an expression of His grace and mercy, giving people every opportunity to turn to Him. But it will not always be this way – the day of the Lord may come when he is least expected. Therefore, let us be on our guard, using the time to grow in our faith and to take each and every opportunity to share God's invitation of grace with others.

Birthdays!

Janet Hibbert 18th
Coleen Jepson 18th
Chris Gray 19th
Terry Sherman 19th
Kevin Stark 19th

Ann Hansen 20th
Susann Joubert 21st
Testimony Nyirendah 22nd
Barry Phillips 23rd
Pixie Anderson 24th



Anniversary!

Adrian & Miemie Parker 21st



This week we pray for our following church members and their families:

Peet & Cody Kemp
Leon Ruijgrok & Dot Ker-Fox
Trevor & Cookie Kitson
Darwin & Tiwonge Kondowe
Peter & Kathy Kopke
Ethné Kumm



**Praying for
each other**

SUPPORT GROUPS

at **St Francis United Church**, downstairs hall

Alcoholics Anonymous - Tuesdays at 17h30

Family and Friends of Addicts & Alcoholics - Last Thursday of each month at 16h30

Prayer Requests

If you have a personal prayer request, please contact either

Rev Paul Mosdell 084 523 5352
or Pat Munro 079 525 2189



Should you wish to join our prayer ministry please contact either Rev Paul or Pat Munro

WEEKLY SERVICES

Worship Services

Sunday mornings at 08h30

Everyone welcome!

Sunday School

Sunday mornings at 08h30

During local school terms

All ages are welcome!

Contact: Louise Ackerman 082-722-0402

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GIVING

Donations, offerings, tithes and planned giving can be deposited into our church bank account and referenced as such.

If donating toward a specific project or purpose, please reference your donation accordingly.



BANK DETAILS

St Francis United Church
Standard Bank,
Branch (050015)
Current Account 288098684



ST FRANCIS UNITED CHURCH

18 October 2026

WELCOME

*A warm welcome,
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to all who are joining us in worship today.*

If you are new to our church and would like to become a member, please fill out a fellowship form available in the foyer.

Preaching Today: Rev Dr Robert Falconer

Scripture Reading:

Exodus 33:12-23
Matthew 22:15-22

Our Vision

*We are committed to seeing God glorified
in the greater St Francis community
through all people coming into a personal relationship
with Jesus and being empowered by the Holy Spirit
for His service.*

Minister in Charge: Rev Paul Mosdell