

Arcadia Lutheran Messenger

Newsletter of the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, 790 Arcadia Street, 0083 Arcadia (2011-3)



Jesus says:

Ask and it will be given to you;

seek and you will find;

knock and the
door will be
opened to you.

Matthew 7:7



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What a promise!

How often do we experience the opposite? How often do we refuse to give! How often do we look for a solution, but it seems as if there is no way out at all? How often in life do we try to get together with people, but the doors of our relationships are shut, by ourselves or by others?

With God and in His kingdom things however are different! This is what Jesus promises, because for His sake God has already for**GIVEN** us, so that we may **FIND** peace and **ENTER** the door to eternal life through Him, as God’s children.

This doesn’t mean that God answers all our prayers in the way we ask. But it means that God answers our prayers in a way that is good for us. And it means that HE teaches us to be open for the needs of others too.

It also doesn’t mean that we always find what we expect, if we trust in His word and guidance. But we will find what is of greater value, if we follow His lead.

Last but not least, it doesn’t mean that every door will be open for us in life. However through His forgiveness He gives us the chance to find to one another again by living out His forgiveness towards one another.

Let us therefore trust in Jesus’ promise and let us ask, seek, and knock.

Yours in Christ!
 Rev. Axel

It's too early to talk about Christmas preparations? We think it's not!

Because it is by means of **Christmas crafts** that we intend to raise funds and thus reach the financial goal, which our congregation has agreed on at the beginning of this year.

Ideas for such crafts have already been collected and developed from May until July by a group of interested members of our congregation (A great thanks to all!).

Now we need further help and support, in order to produce as many of these crafts as possible. Because: At the end of this year there will be one, if not the

biggest Christmas bazaar in Pretoria, held at the German School.

Our aim is to sell our very special, self made Christmas crafts along with typical African food at this bazaar.

So please support your congregation by helping us to make these crafts!

Announcements in this regard will be made soon within our Sunday Services. They will be followed by short instruction courses on how to make the crafts. The actual work can then be done at home.

Any donation for the purchase of material for these crafts also welcome!



Confirmed

Abigail Fluegge (Ps 138:16-18), Gabriel Mogotsi (Isa 40:31), Kamogelo Kunkashi (2 Sam 22:36-37), Samuel Fluegge (Ps 84:5a), Tendani Netshiombo (Isa 9:2+5), Tsiriledzo Tshifangeo (1 Tim 6:12), Zandile Mogweng (2 Tim 1:14)
These seven girls and boys were confirmed on Sunday, May 1, 2011.

New members

On Easter Sunday, April 24, 2011, the following new members were admitted: Martha Nyemba Zulu, Audrey Mmatebogo Mbatha, Machoene Thupana, Ronald Phala.

On Sunday Rogate, May 29, 2011 On the following new members were admitted: Etzisani Ramaite, Motshabi Mondlane.

Our next Services

Date	Time	Other Comments
Trinity 6 July 31, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service with ELC Band	Sunday School
Trinity 7 August 7, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service	Sunday School
Trinity 8 August 14, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service	Sunday School
Trinity 9 August 21, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service & Christian Instr.	Sunday School
Trinity 10 August 28, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service with ELC Band	Sunday School
Trinity 11 September 4, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service	Sunday School
Trinity 12 September 11, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service & Christian Instr.	Sunday School
Trinity 13 September 18, 2011	9.30 am Joint Service & Coming together	Sunday School
Trinity 14 September 25, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service with ELC Band	No Sunday School
Trinity 15 October 2, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service	No Sunday School
Trinity 16 October 9, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service	No Sunday School
Trinity 17 October 16, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service & Christian Instr.	Sunday School
Trinity 18 October 23, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service	Sunday School
Reformation Sunday October 30, 2011	9.00 am Divine Service with ELC Band	Sunday School

Meetings and Classes (please check also at www.elc790arcadia.org)

Youth on Sundays after the Service

Teen Youth date weren't finalised at press date (please see at our webpage for updates)

Soccer on Tuesdays at 19h00 at St. Paul's Parking area (unless it rains or during Holidays)

Women's League usually once a month on a Sunday after the Service

Gentlemen's League on Saturday, September 10

Confirmation Class on August 7 & 27, September 3 & 17, October 15 & 29 always at 14h00