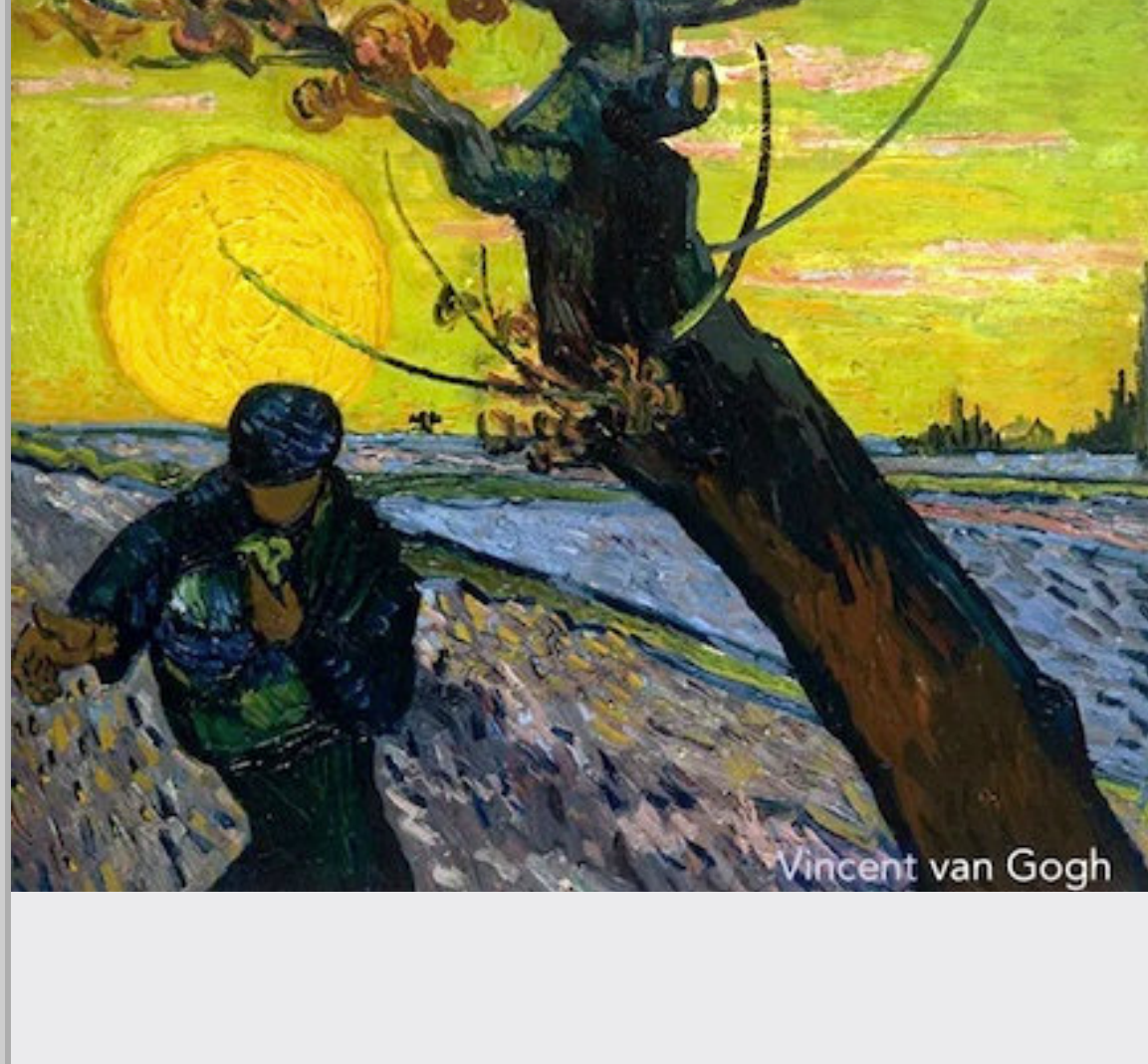


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Creating Circles of Dignity



Mirror & Secret Looking Glass

RUC NEWSLETTER

Cape Town, Sunday 18 January 2026

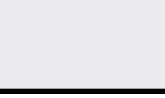
*I wanted to write a separate world,
not as an escape, as a mirror, a secret
looking glass that would sharpen and
multiply the possibilities of the actual
world. Hold it up and your own face is
there, distinguished in time and place,
disguised into another dance.*

-Jeanette Winterson

Sunday Service

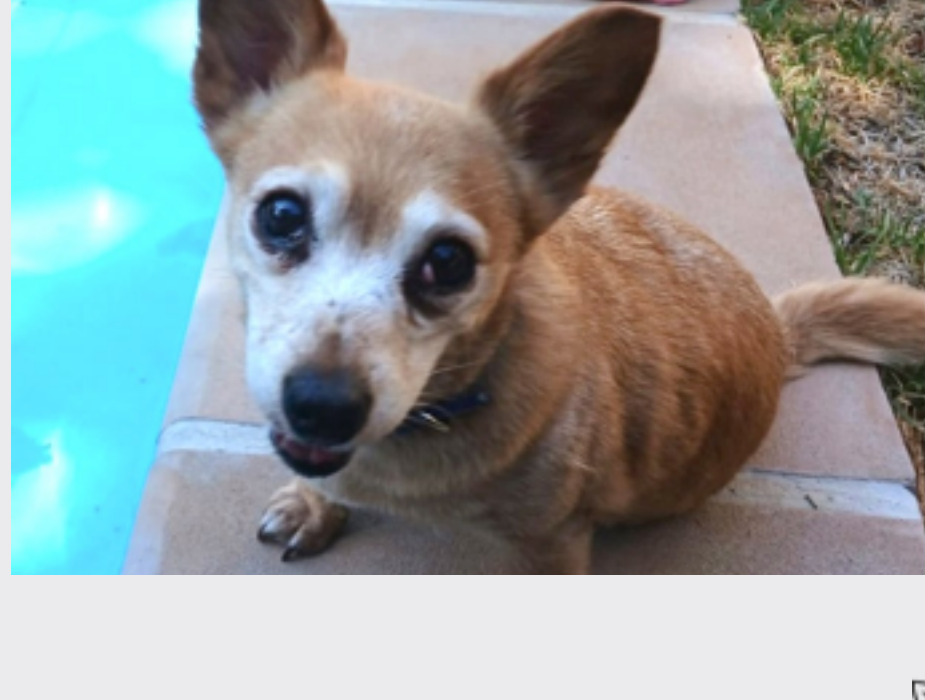
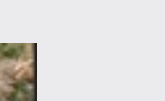
9:30am to 10:45am

with Holy Circus (Sunday School)



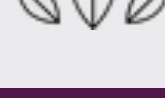
Please click below for this week's online sermon.

Mirror & Secret Looking Glass



OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES

to Doreen Scott
on the passing of Pipo



UCT SUMMER SCHOOL PRESENTS

DESMOND TUTU

PROPHET TO POWER, PASTOR TO THE PEOPLE, HEALER OF A NATION



Date: Mon. 19 Jan 2026

Time: 5pm to 6pm

**Venue: LT1 Kramer Law Building
University of Cape Town**

A Lecture by Rev Dr Peter Storey

*Professor Emeritus of Duke University, Former
President of Methodist Church of South Africa*

Tutu is remembered by most as the ebullient, smiling Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, but he was so much more: as General Secretary of the South African Council of Churches he mobilised and led its powerful witness against the apartheid regime. At a time when Mandela and others were in prison or exile, Tutu stood in the gap, becoming our most prominent voice in the struggle for liberation. This lecture will remind us of critical moments in Desmond Tutu's life and explore the spiritual roots of his courageous witness.



LOOKING FOR AN APARTMENT

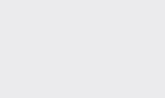
Good day fellow RUC members!

I hope everyone is having a splendid start to 2026.

Myself and my sister Donaville are looking for a 2 bedroom apartment, preferably in Pinelands, Rondebosch, Observatory or even the CBD. We both work in the city so we need something easy to commute to town.

Please do reach out to me if you have any suggestions.

Thanks a lot, Aristide
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Sermon Discussion Group

Please join us if you enjoy being in conversation with others about Sunday's sermon.

Everyone brings their own questions, interests, and stories to the discussion.

And together we hope to make meaningful connections to our daily lives.

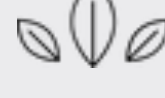
Every second Tuesday of the month at someone's home.

-Facilitated by Beryl Botman

Every third Sunday of the month after the service in the upstairs room of our church hall.

-Facilitated by Barbara Centurier-Harris.

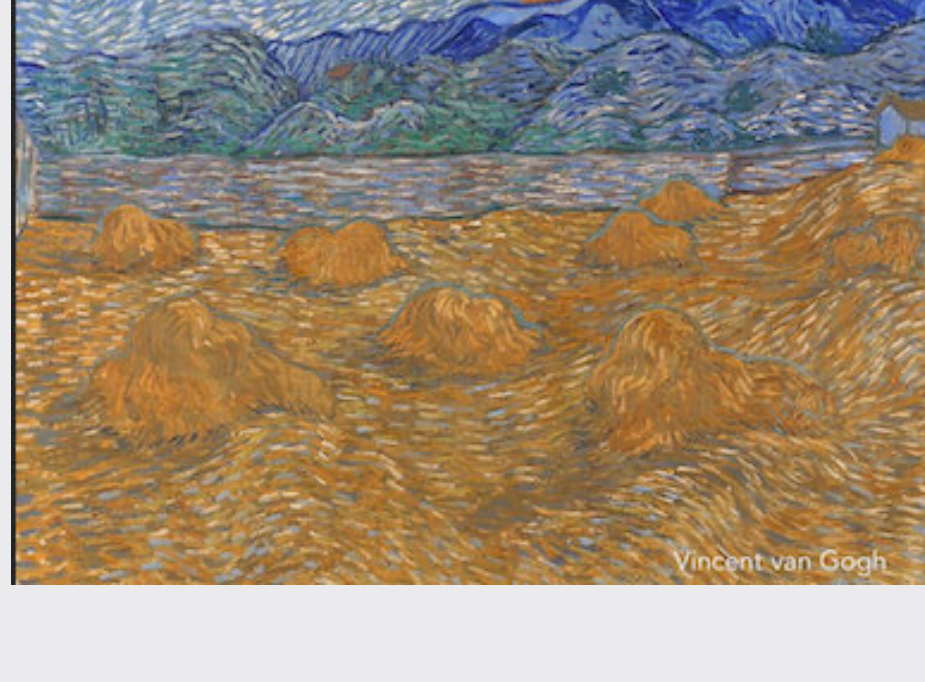
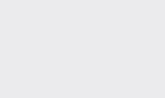
If you wish to join, please contact Beryl at beryl.botman60@gmail.com



Yoga Classes at RUC

Mondays at 6:30pm in the Church Hall.

Please contact Erika, if you would like to join: lencses.e@gmail.com



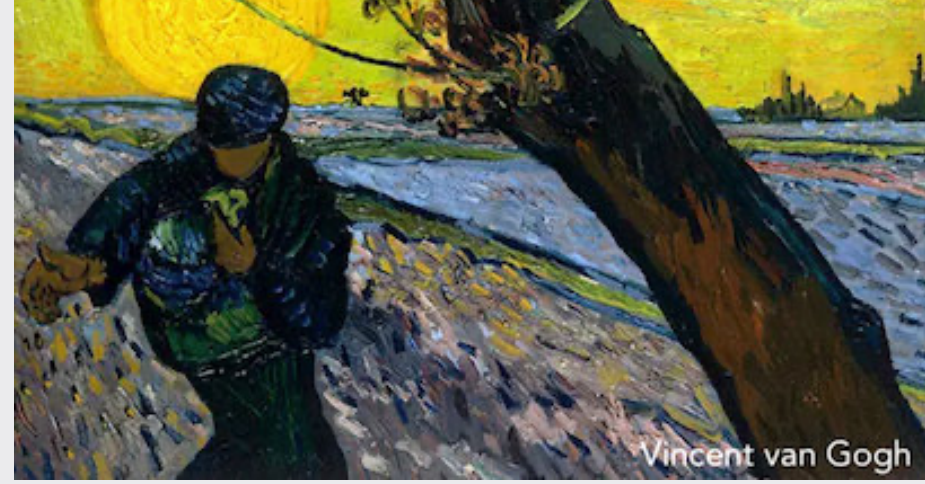
HEAR HOLD LOVE ENFOLD

The Cooke Family, Jennifer Roeleveld, Walter Muloiwa, Kenny Holness, Margaret Reid, Roy and Wendy Cheek, Douglas Bax, and Chris Rodseth.

Rondebosch Police Station, SmilingOne, Outliers, U-Turn, "Grow Great" Campaign, Masazane Soup Kitchen, and Thembi's Soup Kitchen.

TABLE OF REMEMBRANCE IN JANUARY

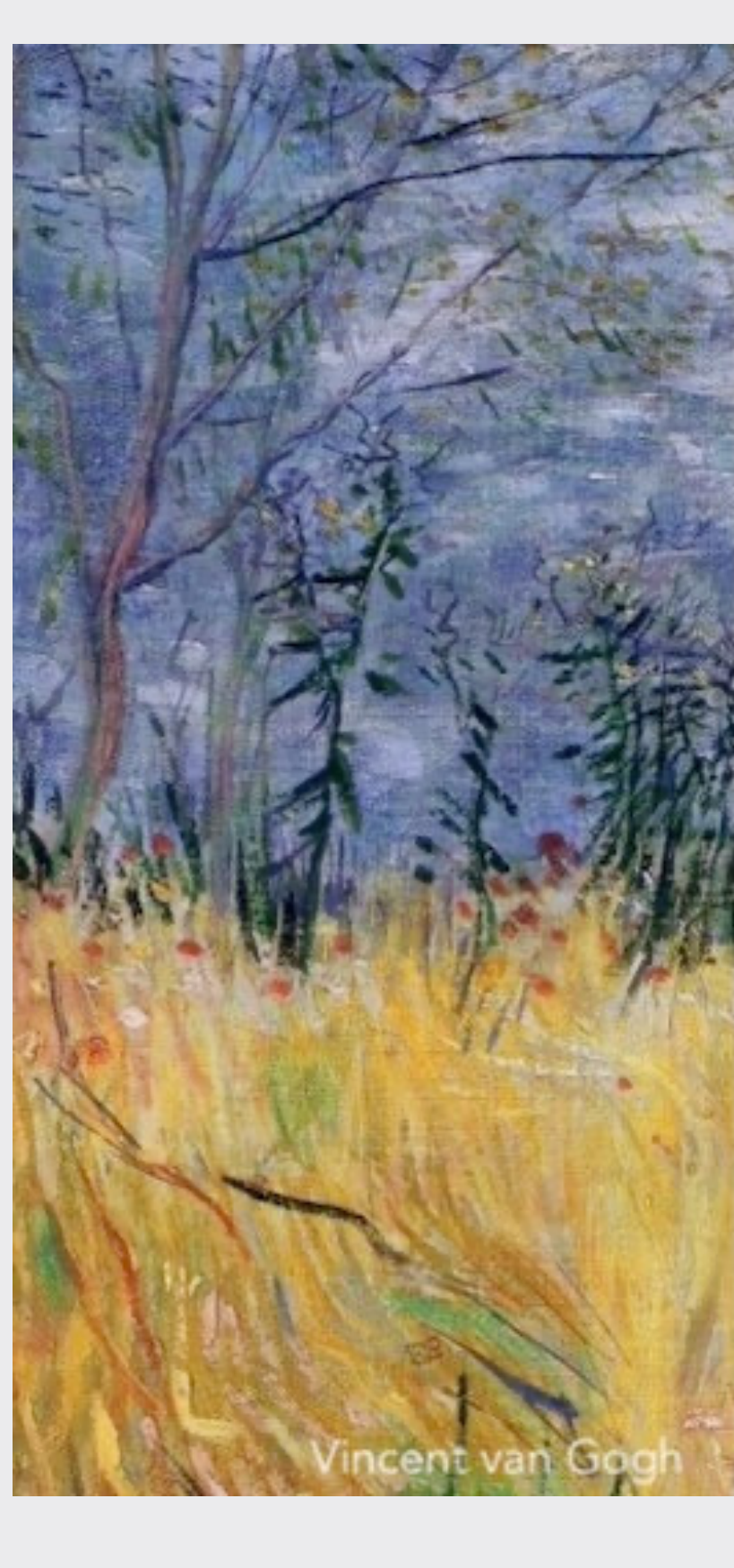
1st George Denoon; 3rd Brian MacMahon; 7th Johan Coetsee; 8th Alf Kramer and Shaan Ellinghouse; 9th Hanni van der Heever; 10th Lee Kinlay; 16th Patricia Farquhas; 18th Lindsay Kennedy; 24th Florence McLaughlan; 26th Priscilla Felaar; 29th Robert Booth; 30th Helen Maunder.



HAPPY RETURNS IN JANUARY

Kindly let us know if your birthday is not listed.

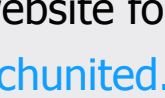
2nd Roy Cheek 4th Morgan Faught; 5th Jono Child; 6th Daniel Foulkes and John Bauer; 7th Kirsty Paxton; 10th Heather Kendall, Jacques Matthee, and Haleigha Vellage; 11th Doreen Scott; 12th Kirsten Pienaar; 14th Luc de la Porte; 15th Helen Shaw and Adriq Tembela; 16th Heinz Vellage; 17th Lyn de Boer; 19th Peggy Davison and Karen Mostert; 21st Peter Fox; 23rd Dawn Woods; 24th Jacqui Latimer; 25th Irene Darkwa, Ivan Sasman, Bart Love; 27th Alexander Pennington and Katelyn Taylor Swanepoel; 28th Jessica Basson; 29th Tamryn Marchant; 30th Aaron Hess; 31st Chris Rodseth and Helen Hacksley.



ANNIVERSARIES IN JANUARY

Please email us, if you would like to add a special anniversary.

7th Isobel and John de Gruchy (1960); 11th Dan and Tan Adams (2011); 20th Melanie Murugen and David Manne; 29th Fiona McLennan and Howard Pearce (1989); 31st Lauren and Chris Rees.



LGBT+ NETWORK AT RUC: IN@RUC

Please go to our website for more information:

<https://www.rondeboschunited.org/lgbt-network-at-ruc>

WEEKLY DISCUSSION GROUPS ON ZOOM

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MONTHLY LIESBEEK RIVER CLEAN-UPS

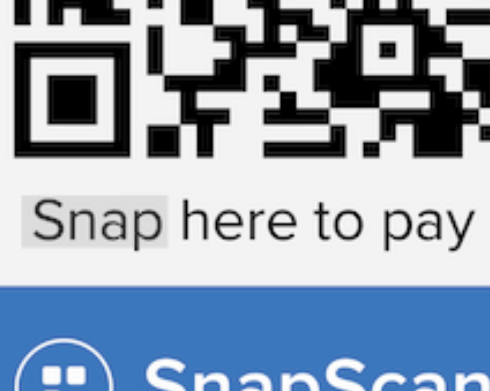
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