

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
Sun 12 th May	5.30pm Mother's Day Tea & Movie Night
Sat 18 th May	7am Te Hahi Garage Sale at MUP



Church Office Hours: 9am - 12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

'Prayer Chain' – Any matters requiring confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

Monday Bible Study – Meets at 2pm in the Church House. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

'Men's Fellowship Breakfast Group' – Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

'Abiding Life Course' – Meets at 3pm on Wednesdays in the Church House. Contact Stewart Patrick for more info.

'Womens Lunch Study Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 16th May. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting Thursday 9th May. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"I'm going to let God fix it. If I fix it, I'm going to jail!"
- Unknown

Giving/Tithing - If you wish to tithe or make a donation to Mangapapa Church, our account number is: Mangapapa Church, 03-0638-0381084-00. Please make sure you say 'tithe' or 'donation' in the reference. If you would prefer to give using our 'Envelope' system, then see Jenny Phin who will set you up with envelopes allocated to you.

	Today	Next Sunday 12 th May
Greeters	I McCoy, M Wilson	L McAra, A Clement
Ministry Team	M Freeman	S Clement
Cups of Tea	N Coffey, W Carstens	P Oram, L Hindle
AV & Sound	D Russell / S Patrick	P Madsen / N Dunn
Counters	N Coffey	G Stevenson

*Our motivating vision is...
'To be His Love, Light and Life'*



Sunday 5th May 2024

10am: "Sacrificial Love"

John 15:9-17

With Communion

Leading: Rachal McIntyre Preaching: Diane McLean

Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

Church Office: Dione Russell 06 867-9604 9am – 12noon
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Elders Team

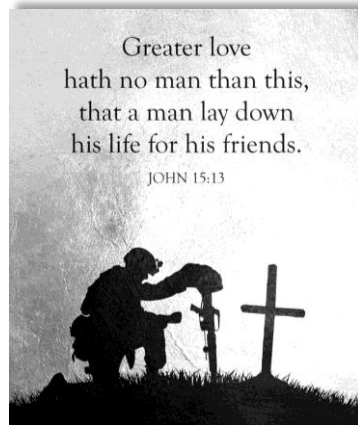
Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863 2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949

Kids go out with Ashley & Peren Mountfort, and Raewyn Theobald this morning.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and don't share them.

Diane McLean shares the message with us this morning. She writes ...

The compilers of the world-wide system of lectionary readings would not have known that today's reading follows on from the message of ANZAC Day. We look at a few key verses and see how these biblical principles might look in our lives.



Stewart writes... Every 3 months your Elders Team considers and approves **our next Services Plan here at MUP** – those who will lead and preach, and giving opportunity for testimonies. What themes from Scripture we would like to highlight at this time? Is there a particular preacher / teacher we would like to invite to share? Here are some initial highlights of what is coming up in our 'June, July, August' Plan that is being considered now...

- **June 2nd - Ken & Alison McFarlane** share before they head back to their Medical Mission Training School in Thailand/Myanmar.
- **June 30th – Our MUP Te Hahi volunteers at Waikirikiri School** share about the unique opportunities and relationships built over the past year.
- **July 7th – Guest Preacher - Tony Plews** - former Laidlaw College Lecturer, former Director of Church Leadership Training with 'Langham' (John Stott established to train Christian leaders in 3rd world nations).
- **August 18th – Your Testimonies** – As believers we all walk with Jesus day by day and you will have a story or a word to share to encourage others. Every 3 months we give a specific opportunity for folk to share. And by the way, there is a **'Testimony Service' coming up in 3 weeks time, 26th May.**



Our new Church Complex Roof is looking amazing, and for those of us who have been on the Assets & Finance Team over the past decade or so, it is a wonderful relief. The project revealed some important and fascinating insights into how this complex is constructed, with several additions over its 111 years. Contractor Wes Nomell has provided that information and advice for our records. He and his team had some 'fun' at times, matching up the joints!


Welcome Home John & Angela Paton! They arrived home on Friday morning, 1 week earlier than scheduled, after 2 months in Argentina. They went to help a dear friend and her Argentine husband, who is very unwell. They did get time away for some travel to see the sights of Patagonia too and by amazing coincidence met up on the bus with another Turanganui a Kiwa friend from the past. Angela says, *"Something special about 2 friends colliding in a foreign land...her travelling down from Colombia, us in Argentina!"*



For Prayer this Week: Note – For **'Prayer Chain' Requests for prayer from 3rd to 5th May, please direct to Val Judd.**


- 1) Pray for folk undergoing medical procedures this week.
- 2) **We pray for Shane & Ali Roche & family** – as they wait to hear the result of Ali's job interview here in NZ.

Te Hahi Garage Sale - Te Hahi is holding a garage sale at our church office area, **7am on Saturday 18th May.** As our part, we will open up our shed and give 50% of proceeds to Te Hahi. If you have any goods you no longer need, please leave them at the office or let Marilyn know.



'Mothers Day Shared Tea & Movie'
5:30pm at MUP Sunday 12th May

Come along with something to share for Tea, followed by screening of the Movie, 'Still Alice' - The story of Alice, who receives a diagnosis of early-onset Alzheimers disease, and how she and her family handled it. To be screened at MUP. Everyone is welcome to come – not just mothers. 😊



Israel/Gaza Middle East Appeal – Last week we heard an update from TearFund on how the money we donated just before Christmas to their Middle East Appeal for Israel/Gaza, was used. The need there is still ongoing, and if you would like to make any more donations towards this, there is information on the Church Noticeboard on how you can do so.



Room To Rent - Hi, my name is Ashley Cooper. I'm a 36 year old female looking for accommodation in Gisborne. I work full time with a mission organisation which requires me to travel a fair amount. I'm hoping to live with Christians, possibly in a similar age bracket, to build a community in the area and would like to move early June. Please call me on 027 699 9452 if you have something available.