Dates to Remember

Thursdays

Sun 18th Aug

Sat 23rd Aug

Fri 27th Sep

7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office

5.30pm Te Hahi Combined Churches Service

9.45am-3.30pm Citywide Youth Event - AOG Church

5.30pm Roche Family Welcome & Induction Service



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 Flaine Oates.

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

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

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

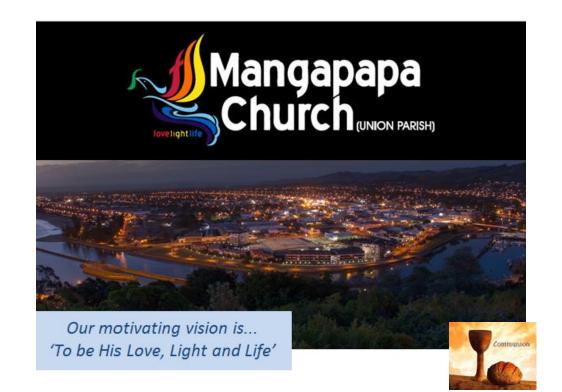
'Womens Lunch Study Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 8th August. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm, at Diane McLean's house. Next meeting will be 8th August. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"When I pray, coincidences happen; when I don't, they don't." - William Temple

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 11 th August |
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| Greeters | l McCoy, A Clement | M Raitaukala, L McAra |
| Ministry Team | A Clement | S Clement |
| Cups of Tea | M Smith, L Hindle | N Coffey, N Aston |
| AV & Sound | D Russell / S Patrick | D Russell / S Patrick |
| Counters | B Wheeler | N Coffey |



Sunday 4th August 2024

10am: "God's Provision"

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

With Communion

Leading: Rachal McIntyre Preaching: Diane McLean

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Kids go out with Marilyn Patrick 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 this morning. She writes...

Our text today tells of God's amazing provision for the Israelites as they wandered in the desert. They had to learn to trust Him for their everyday needs. He has promised us that He will always care for us, whatever our



circumstances. We need to "give thanks with a grateful heart."

"When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them. "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat." – Exodus 16:14-15



Stewart writes...

Shane & Ali Roche update – their Flights are booked! Shane & Ali, Esme & Izzy, are all booked on Qatar Airways to fly out to us in NZ. They leave the UK on Saturday 31st August and arrive in Auckland 4:30am Sunday 1st September. Then on to Gisborne on Air NZ later on that Sunday morning. Their plan is to rest, get settled into the McFarlane's home, get Esme & Izzy into their new School routine, Bank



accounts etc, and then both Shane & Ali will **commence their new positions on Monday 16th September** – Ali as Mid-Wife at Gisborne Hospital and Shane commences as full-time 'Church Leader' here at MUP. We are currently preparing our next 3 months Services Plan for September, October, November, and doing this in consultation with Shane. Shane wisely wants to observe our MUP Services and ways of doing things. To fit in and not rush any changes. Shane will ease into the Services Leading & Preaching roles, commencing with Leading on Sunday 29^{th} September.

A blessed footnote to this journey – Exactly 1 year ago today, 4th August 2023, Shane first emailed Dione at MUP. That evening Stewart & Marilyn in the UK, just happened to be staying 25 minutes away from Tewkesbury, Shane & Ali!

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

Roche Family Official Welcome & Induction Service - Friday

27th **September, 5:30pm at MUP** – This will be a special event, commencing with a Maori whakatau welcome (simplified Powhiri), involving the Sonrise Christian School Kapa Haka Group. This followed by a BBQ and Pot Luck Dinner, then a Service of Induction, with special Guests including our partner Church Leaders from Methodist Synod and Presbytery, and local Church pastors/leaders. More details will follow as we get closer to that time.



'Testimony Service' - Sunday 18th August - Every 3

months we give the opportunity for anyone to share brief testimony of what the Lord is doing or has done, or has revealed to you in recent times. It can be something very simple such as an answered prayer or a word from Scripture that greatly encouraged you. So please let Stewart know if you would like an opportunity to share on that Sunday morning.



For Prayer this Week:

- 1) Pray for Mike Tombleson Praise the Lord! Mike was flown back from Waikato Hospital to Gisborne Hospital on Wednesday afternoon, as his Surgeon is happy with his recovery progress and Gisborne is able to care for him in this next stage. Lord continue your strengthening within Mike we pray.
- 2) Pray for Noeleen Welch Now receiving Palliative Care in Ryman. Jesus, be her comfort we pray.
- 3) Pray for Shane & Ali Roche and family Much to do and decisions on what to bring to NZ in flight luggage and what goes into their shipping container? Pray for a long-term Home to rent here, starting Nov/Dec.

Next Thursday Open Shed Sale: 8th August, 9am-12pm Any items you no longer need we would gladly welcome them. Just drop off to office during week day mornings or bring along Sunday morning. Just no clothes or books please.



Accommodation for 9, 10 & 11 August -

Vivianne is a final year dental student currently looking for jobs for next year, and is planning to visit Gisborne next

week. She asks if anyone may be willing to open up their house to let her stay for those nights? It would be much appreciated! She doesn't mind using a sleeping bag on the couch! © Vivianne attends the church that Ashley & Peren Mountfort used to go to. Please let them know if you have a bed available.



<u>Combined Churches Service</u> – 5.30pm Sunday 18th August at Alive Church in Leith St. Guest speaker is Terry Bradley, Superintendent of AOG NZ. See the poster on the church noticeboard at the back for more information.