

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office



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 25th July. 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 25th July. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"Seven days without prayer makes one weak."
- 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 21 st July
Greeters	M Raitaukala, L McAra	J & L Hawksworth
Ministry Team	S Clement	E Oates
Cups of Tea	W Carstens, A Tyler	I McCoy, L Hindle
AV & Sound	R Nelson / D Russell	P Madsen / N Dunn
Counters	N Coffey	A Radcliffe



Sunday 14th July 2024

10am: “Come See And Hear What Our Lord Has Done”

Psalm 23

Leading: Andrew Russell Preaching: John Hill

Duty Elder: Andrew Russell

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Elders Team
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School Holidays - Children go out for Torchlighters Eric Liddell clip and some pre-Olympics fun.

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

John Hill shares with us this morning and says, "It is said that we remember what we see more than what we hear. Come and see and hear what our Lord, God, Creator, Saviour and Shepherd has done and will continue to do for us, as we look into Psalm 23."

The Lord Is My Shepherd

Psalm 23 – A psalm of David. ¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

³ he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



Shane & Ali Roche – Update on our new 'Church Leader(s)' and the faith journey to NZ & MUP – Please remember **they would love to hear from and connect with YOU**, MUP church folk, now, before they come. So please send an email and tell them a little about yourself/your family. Send to Shane's email shane.roche@tewbaptist.org.uk

'Our Stunning Gum Tree' - Dione received this fascinating email to the Church Office this week - "Hi, I'm a local arborist.

A passionate one. The Eucalyptus on the Atkinson St road side first came to my attention about half a year ago, merely by driving past. Its unusual foliage stood out, and I have visited it a number of times waiting for it to flower. Flowers are crucial for correct identification of gums, since there are so many different species. Recently I found a flower and took a sample and sent pictures to my friend Mike Wilcox, renowned botanist and Eucalypt expert. He got excited and believes it's a 'Eucalyptus Parvula', a very uncommon species in NZ indeed! He's asking for a few cuttings so it can be included in the herbarium at the Auckland museum. Hereby I ask permission to do so? Also does anyone know anything regarding its history, who planted it?" **Menno Kluiters**, Dendrologic -Tree Consultants



We do not know who planted or when? If anyone does, it would be great to know? Our Church property is appreciated eg, a kind neighbour in the grey home directly opposite the church, cleaned up the broken branches from this Gum tree, spread over our lawn and parking area after the recent storm. She has been thanked.

Stewart writes... Great feedback on **Tony Plews' message last Sunday**. It was a complete Gospel message for our time and place. If you missed it, Dione at the office has the mp3 recording, plus we have run off copies of his Message notes (available from the foyer table).

I am away this weekend at a **Uniting Congregations Gathering** being held in Rongotea, just outside of Palmerston North. The theme of the gathering is 'Building Capability', with our conversations focus being; leading worship, using property, planning for the future and sharing our current situation. For myself the big plus in attending this is that the Leaders of our partner denominations, will all be present there in one place. That is very rare! There I can share with them and the gathering, the latest in our journey with Shane & Ali Roche as our new 'Lay Church Leader(s)'. They have been supportive of this to date and hope they may be available for an Induction Service in September.

It was good to catch up with Frank last Monday, a few days after Lorraine's private funeral and Cremation. Frank confirmed that a **'Memorial Service' for Lorraine** is to be held and it will be at MUP, at a time when other relatives around NZ are able to come and be part of too. We will keep you updated on that.

Community Care: E-Bags & Baby Packs – Does this ministry interest you? Anne Russell and Jan Holmberg are looking for someone who feels called to this ministry and would like to join their team to 'learn the ropes' – with a view to possibly taking over when they retire. **If you are interested in this ministry and feel the Lord prompting you, please have a talk with Anne Russell.**



For Prayer this Week:

- 1) **Pray for those recovering from surgery** – Mike Tombleson is improving slowly from a major operation done at Waikato. Mary-Ann Paviell is progressing well after a hip operation.
- 2) **Pray for the NZ Visa Application for Shane & Ali Roche and family** – Visa applications take between 1-2 months).



Free Mandarins, Grapefruit & Lemons – Alan Radcliffe has some small mandarins, big grapefruit and big Meyer lemons ready for picking now. If you would like some you are welcome to pop around to his place and pick some. There is a ladder and some clips available to borrow, but please bring your own buckets or bags.

There will also be some oranges ready for picking in 2 – 4 weeks. You can phone Alan on 06 868 6667, and his address is in the Church Directory.

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.