Dates to Remember

Thursdays Wed 26th Feb Thurs 27th Feb 2nd Mar 7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House

10.30am Beetham Church Service

8.15am-12noon TOSS Garage Sale

11am Garden Gathering Service at the Wheelers

Tues 11 Mar 10am - 3pm CWCI Summer Retreat



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

<u>Monday Bible Study</u> – Meets 2.30pm in the Church House. Contact Elaine Oates for more info.

<u>Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study</u> – Meets 1.30pm in the Church House. Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

'Men's Group' - Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

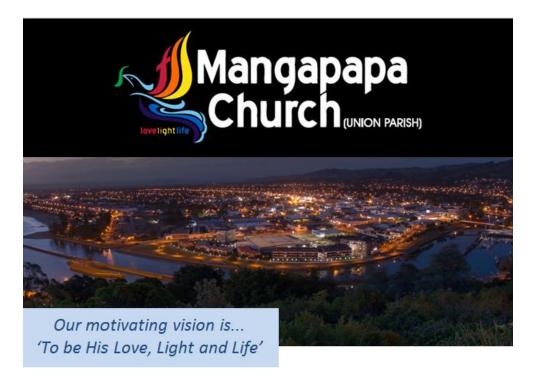
'Womens Lunch Study Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 27th February. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm, at Diane McLean's house. Next meeting will be 27th February. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

"Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe." - St Augustine

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 23 rd February
Greeters	J Phin, I McCoy	M Raitaukala, M Wilson
Ministry Team	A Clement	S Clement
Cups of Tea	P Oram, D McLean	L Hindle, N Aston
AV & Sound	S Patrick / N Dunn	R Nelson / D Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	G Stevenson



Sunday 16th February 2025

10am: "Halfway To Heaven"

Philippians 3; Ephesians 2; John 18:36

Leading: Rachal McIntyre Preaching: Shane Roche

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Kidzspace (4-8yrs) go out with Ashley Mountfort this morning. Matrix (9-14yrs) go out with Raewyn Theobald.

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

Shane shares the message this morning. He writes ...

Truth be told, when I look at the world in which we live, I'm often overwhelmed with a feeling of great discomfort and unease. Simply put, I sometimes feel like I don't belong here - like the world doesn't make any sense to me at all. Of course, this makes sense when we consider what scripture says. When we follow Jesus, we're "in the world, but not of it" anymore. This Sunday, I want to encourage some of you who might sometimes feel like I do and tell you it's OK. We belong to a different kingdom - our citizenship is elsewhere ... we're already halfway to heaven.







New Lapel Microphone - Assets & Finance team are very grateful for a generous donation from a MUP member to assist us in purchasing a high quality Lapel Microphone and digital wireless base set. We really needed this after our very basic set up failed last year. You should now hear our Preachers and speakers crystal clear.





Garden Gathering At The Wheelers – We are going to give it another go, and hopefully the weather will work with us this time. On <u>Sunday 2nd March at 11am</u> we will be holding our *church service at Bill & Jody Wheelers residence*. It will be a shorter service, followed by a potluck lunch, fellowship and fun. This is a great way to get to know each other better, so please do come. (As a backup, we'll move it to the church if the weather is grim).



Foodbank – Our current foodbank needs are:

Weetbix, spreads, muesli bars, biscuits, UHT milk, milo/hot chocolate, tuna/salmon, canned corn, dishwash liq, washing powder, rubbish stickers, spaghetti, baked beans, coffee.



Beetham Church Service – 10.30am Wednesday 26th February. MUP is rostered to take services at Beetham throughout this year. The first one for the year is coming up on 26th February. Please pray for the service and for Stewart and Marilyn who are taking it, and remember you can go along and support them.

Thursday Open Shed Sale – 27th February, 8.15am–12noon.

Any items you no longer need we would gladly welcome them. Drop them off to office during week day mornings or bring along Sunday morning.

Just no clothes or books please.

CWCI Gisborne Summer Retreat – Christian Women Communicating International are holding a day retreat in Gisborne on *Tuesday 11th March* at Mission Hall. Commencing with morning tea at 10am and finishing around 3pm. See the Church Noticeboard at the back for more information.

Missions: Are you interested in Missions? Would you like to join Angela in a Missions (primarily overseas) Small Group, meeting monthly? I envisage prayer being the main driver. If this interests you please let Angela Paton know - email angelapatonpower@gmail.com or Ph 021 216 8446.



Accommodation available – Flatmate wanted, to join 2 working men. Fully furnished house on the outskirts of town. Comes with vege garden, and would suit someone who likes country living. Power and wifi inclued. Contact Roger Levy on 021 139 9742 if interested.



Jenny Phin would like to say a big "Thank You" to all the people who stepped in to help her get a scooter. She really appreciated how many tried to help, and is very grateful that she now has one.

Rhubarb We have a huge supply of rhubarb in the church garden by the green waste area. Please take as much as you want.

