#### Dates to Remember

Thursdays
Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Mar
28-30 Mar
Sun 6<sup>th</sup> April
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7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
7.30pm Empower Women's Event @ HOB
Men's Camp at Whanarua Bay
Missions Group Asian Food and Info night
3am Daylight savings finishes (turn clocks back to 2am)



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 weekly at 2.30pm in the Church House. Contact Elaine Oates for more info.

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

<u>'Men's Group'</u> – Meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30am, currently at Noel Dunn's place. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

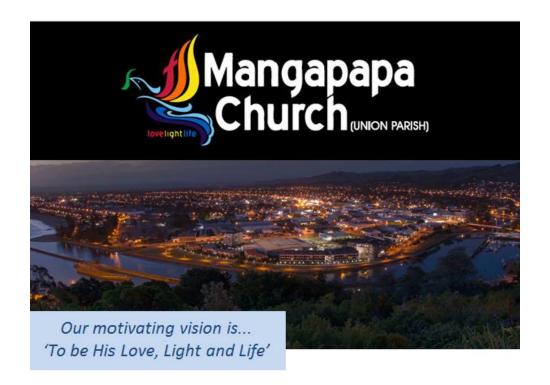
**'Womens Lunch Study Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 27<sup>th</sup> March. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

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

"The Christian's journey through life isn't a sprint but a marathon." - Billy Graham

**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 30 <sup>th</sup> March
Greeters	J Dyas, L McAra	M Raitaukala, J Phin
Ministry Team	S Clement	D Russell
Cups of Tea	W Carstens, N Aston	A Dehne-Walker, L Hindle
AV & Sound	R Nelson / S Patrick	D Russell / N Dunn
Counters	H van Wijk	G Stevenson



# Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

10am: "Don't Stand Still - Part 2 - Apathy"

Matthew 25:14-30; Hebrews 13:15-16; James 4:13-17

Leading: Dione Russell Preaching: Shane Roche

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#### **Elders Team**

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Kidzspace (4-8yrs) go out with Marilyn Patrick 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.

### This Sunday Shane continues

our "Don't Stand Still" series with Part 2 - looking at the area of Apathy. There are dangers and obstacles that can sometimes take us "off track" in our Christian walk, but in this series we're looking at some areas that can simply (and often subtly) bring us to a complete standstill. This week we'll be thinking about the danger of apathy, its effect on



our lives, and how we can become unstuck from its grasp.



## Ruel Philippines Orphanage - Don't they look gorgeous! These are the





lovely dresses Sharon Craig made for the Ruel kids. Perfect for the hot season about to start. (Filipina people, being quite small, some even fitted the caregivers see L and R ((a))



# For Prayer & Praise this week:

**Pray for our Easter witness** – Hope Booklets are taking a gap this year so there are none to distribute, but we will have our sign up on the corner and are planning to do our Cross walk from the Botanical Gardens. Let's ask the Lord for some good weather this year so we can do this. More details to follow.



### House of Breakthrough are inviting you

to an Empower Women's Event with Pastor Leigh Ramsey, on *Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March*. Fashion show and supper. Great opportunity to get to know our other sisters in Christ. See poster on Church Noticeboard.



**Family Harm Meetings** - During the Season of Lent the Holy Trinity EJP Group will be presenting a series of events exploring the issue of family harm. This will comprise three public meetings and two prayer vigils. See the Church Noticeboard for dates and times. **Please** 

note that a couple of the dates/times have been updated from last week.



Men's Camp: 28-30 March 2025 – at Whanarua Bay. Late March is generally settled and fishing is good. This year we have two baches, with ample space. Give it some thought, as we would like as many as possible to attend. More information next week.



**Our New Missions Group** invites you to an Asian food and info evening on Sunday <u>6</u><sup>th</sup> <u>April</u> at Ken and Alison McFarlane's. Come and have a taste experience cooking on a Moogata from Myanmar, plus Philippine-style Chicken Adobo - with rice of course! And hear more about what our God is doing in Partners

and Ruel. (If you can contribute to dessert, you're welcome to bring a morsel.) For catering please email or let Angela Paton know if you can come or need transport - <a href="mailto:patonpower@gmail.com">patonpower@gmail.com</a> More info closer to the day. Looking forward to sharing our 'other lives' with you.

Clothes for Ward 11 – If you have any adult winter clothes, especially men's clothes, that are in good condition and you want to pass them on, please bring them to church on Sunday. You can label them "For Ward 11" and leave them in the room off the fover. Nona Aston will then take them up to give to Ward 11.

Help Develop An Age Friendly Tairawhit

age, Tairawhiti Positive Ageing Trust would love for you to take part in a survey to help develop an Age Friendly Tairawhiti Needs Assessment. This will identify what services and supports are already in place, if there are any gaps, and what older people want today and into the future. You can do the survey online at <a href="https://forms.gle/SeJwG4hmwuDSDATT9">https://forms.gle/SeJwG4hmwuDSDATT9</a> or email <a href="mailtairawhitipat@gmail.com">tairawhitipat@gmail.com</a> and they will send you a survey to complete.



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.



**People Able To Provide Transport** – We are looking for people who would be willing to provide transport to and from church for those who are unable to

drive. If you are willing to do this, please let Shane or the office know. Thanks.



**Foodbank** – Our current foodbank needs are: Weetbix, biscuits, milo/hot chocolate, dishwash liquid, washing powder, toilet paper, flour.