

**Sunday Service Leading** - A few people have indicated interest in worship leading on Sunday mornings so we will be starting some upskilling for this soon. Most likely these sessions will be for one hour, one evening a week for 3 – 4 weeks. If you are interested in attending these sessions please let the church office know or contact Susan directly. Attending the training can be for interest or with a view to leading part or all of a Sunday morning service.

**Home Group Guest Speaker** - Ron & Kay Peterson extend an invitation to others who may like to attend their home group on Monday 13 June at 7.00pm. This is held in their home at 11 Kebal Place, Stoke. The Very Rev. Peter Cheyne (past Moderator of Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand) will be speaking on "Following Jesus' Mission Model". There is limited space so please contact them on 547 6777 if you'd like to go.

**First Aid Training** - To keep up with Health and Safety regulations we need your help. We need people men or women to do their First Aide Training or to update it. Needed are people to cover Youth Group, Messy Church, Lunch on the Hill, AAW and all services. We will have a training session which will take about 2 hours of your time. Thank you for considering this opportunity to add to your skills. Please contact me Marie Tilley Ph. 544 5173 or email: mtilley@xtra.co.nz

**Matthew Parsons Recipe for Longevity - It's Worth The Effort!** Professor of Gerontology Nursing Matthew Parsons, delivers a fun and interactive presentation on the Ageing Brain and what you can do to stay fit and healthy as you move towards your older years. 10.00am Tuesday 7 June at Saxton Oval, Saxton Street, Stoke. Registrations essential; contact Wendy Duffy at Age Concern on 03 5447624 or email: support@ageconcernmt.org.nz

**A clear mind** - Do you have a logical mind? Do you like completing forms and thinking laterally? We are looking for someone who will work alongside a church member who is involved in making funding applications to various agencies (church and secular) for aspects of our church ministry. Please contact Susan for more information.

**Facing the world** - Would you like to work in our church office? Are you friendly and warm? Do you like welcoming people and providing the information they need? We are working on establishing a volunteer team of receptionists so that our office is open each morning. We will be looking for people who have some spare time and could offer one or two mornings a week. Currently we are establishing policies and ways of working to enable excellent training and support. Our aim in beginning this ministry is to enhance the "Building Community" part of our mission statement. We want to be able to assist church folk with things like photocopying in the mornings, leaving David more time for his work in the afternoon. We also want the wider community to have more regular access to our services. In due course we will be advertising for people. In the meantime please pray for us. You might even like to ask the Lord if he would have you volunteer in this way.

<b>Parish Finance Update: April Results</b>						
	<b>Actual April</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual Year to Date</b>	<b>Budget Year to Date</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>Income</b>	\$23,822	\$17,983	\$5839	\$67,114	\$71,993	(\$4,820)
<b>Expenditure</b>	\$38,867	\$17,125	(\$21,742)	\$81,677	\$72,995	(\$8,682)
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	(\$15,044)	\$859	(\$15,903)	(\$14,563)	(\$1,061)	(\$13,502)

**Café Connection** - I have booked a table at the Wooden Spoon for anyone who wants to join me there, next Thursday 9 June at 10:30am. Any men or women are welcome to come, we buy our own refreshments and enjoy each other's company for an hour. Please feel free to bring any neighbours or newcomers with you. See you there, Yvonne

**Storyteller Masterclass** - A course designed to teach you how to write and deliver with creativity and impact with Rob Harley - Award winning TV documentary maker, author, storyteller, top NZ journalist and one of the world's foremost teachers in the art of spoken communication. Come and Learn ... A highly stimulating event where you'll learn to speak persuasively, convince a crowd, overcome your fears of public speaking and gain the co-operation of your peers. 7.00pm - 9.00pm Friday 8 July and 9.00am - 4.00pm Saturday 9 July at All Saints Church, 30 Vanguard St, Nelson. Register: [www.bishopdale.ac.nz](http://www.bishopdale.ac.nz) or contact: [office@bishopdale.ac.nz](mailto:office@bishopdale.ac.nz)  
Cost : \$15 for Anglican attendees \$65 - non-Anglican attendees.

**An opportunity to use your skills to serve others in the community** - Vestry have approved the proposal put forward by Yvonne that we develop a team of about 4 people, 2 men and 2 women preferably, who are prepared to go into Waimea Village and to our own elderly church folk, who have a small job needing to be done that they are not able to do themselves. Some jobs that have been suggested are helping people fill in forms, opening jars, small gardening jobs, smoke alarms etc. All jobs will come in through Yvonne who will make sure the job is appropriate and not something we are unable to do. I do not envisage each member of the team being called upon any more than once a month, possibly less than this. Yvonne would love to hear from you if you feel called to this ministry which I think is an excellent way of the church being visible in our community.

**Devonshire Tea** - Come and join us for scones, jam and cream! Tuesday 28 June, arrive 9:45,am scones served at 10:00am, finish by 11:30. Holy Trinity Church lounge, 27 Dorset St, Richmond \$3:00 to cover costs. A speaker from Age Concern will speak briefly on Keeping Ourselves Safe. RSVP to Yvonne by 23 June please, 544 8844, leave a message if I am not in office.

**Cap Money Course** - Take control of your finances with CAP Money, a FREE course that helps you manage your money, so you budget save and spend well! Course runs 7.15pm – 9.00pm Monday 20 June and Monday 27 June at Town Hall, Cambridge Street, Richmond. Book by calling Dave Harris 021 1066 697 or online: [www.capmoney.org](http://www.capmoney.org) Run by Hope Community Church.

**Quiz Night** - Many thanks to all those who made donations, helped in so many ways, to those who came and brought neighbours and friends, and especially to those who helped on the night. We made \$1045, \$75 of which will go to Missions and the remainder to our building fund. You were so generous with your donations we have sufficient chocolate and wine for another quiz night later this year!

**Preserves** - At the back of the church are a variety of preserves that we are selling to reduce our deficit! They are made with a mix of organic fruit and spray free fruit and vegetables. Please consider trying some and buying here rather than at the supermarket. This is a trial for a month to see if there is sufficient interest to continue. Donations of screw top jars, would be most welcome, please leave these in the box at the back of the church. If you want to add to the range, please do. Any queries or comments to Shiona 544 4155.