

# Church on the Hill

Sunday 14 June 2015



Theme: Being a Servant
Vicar: Susan Gill
Preacher: Gerrie Mead

**Readings:** John 13: 12-17, Luke 10: 25-29

### Sentence:

Jesus said "I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do." - John 13:15

## Prayer for the day:

Loving Lord you washed your followers' feet. Show us how to care for our neighbours who need some help. Show us who they are and what they need. Show us also how to accept help when it

is lovingly offered to us. Take away any pride that prevents us giving and receiving all you have for us. In the name of Jesus, the servant, we pray.

Amen.

Following Jesus, Building Community



## Working together - Minister's Assn

Richmond Waimea Minister's Association has met together for many years now. In 2006 a Statement of Commitment was written and signed by everyone. About that time, we used to have a combined service each year and re-sign it each year. Initially attendance at those services was good but it dropped off for a number of reasons. Some services were on Good Friday and it isn't appropriate to celebrate at that point of time. As ministers, we've often discussed restarting those services. But there isn't really a will to do it at this point in time.

Some feel we are much better doing things in the community so everyone sees us working together, than in-house where only a few see. Perhaps there is some truth in this. As ministers we do enjoy great fellowship, and we pray for each other, which is invaluable.

On Good Friday for the last few years, we have marched down the street carrying the cross. We do this as a reminder of what Jesus has done for us. Especially we do it publicly because few people come into our churches to be reminded. We have to take the news out to them. Not many people really come on the march. Some think we look silly. Some can't walk that far. Some are on holiday. Others are just too busy and want to chill out. We'll be

re-looking at the format of that service again next year. Regardless of format though, we will hold this service in some shape or form. And we will do something publicly.

It has been great fun for me working with Paul Milson and Alex Johnston from Hope Community Church and Kel Krofsky from the Catholic church on the Love in Action project. All of us are totally committed to unity in Christ across the wider body of the Christian church. We are all excited about what is happening with this project. (Someone will be in touch with you soon if you have volunteered your services or offered goods.)

In the next couple of months we will be having a pulpit swap again. Seven churches will take part in this. Last year it was a great blessing for me to go to the Church of Christ. (I still remember how so many people sat in the front row! Hint! Hint!) I am looking forward to going somewhere different this year. It is exciting the way God speaks to our congregations through someone they are not used to hearing. The Pulpit Sway is a powerful reminder that we are in fact one church; working together towards the extension of one Kingdom; God's Kingdom.

It isn't all about us but it is all about Him. And it is all about us working together in unity across the wider body of Christ, for His glory!

Learning together in Jesus' love,

Susan

**Budget Service -** Waimea Anglican Budgeting Advice Service is now available. Ph. 544 8901 or 022 020 5565 to get it touch with an advisor or talk to Anne Askin if you would like to know more about this service.

**Building Fundraiser -** Honey is now available. Honey 500gms \$7.00, 1kg \$13.00, and 2kgs \$25. See Anne Askin between the services or Ph. 544 9059.

**Shared Lunch**: Today, Sunday14 June, come and enjoy lovely winter soups and great company from 11.30am in the lounge. We are serving the world famous in Elmsdale Close leek and potato soup (really souper!) and bacon, leek and corn chowder. Free, Koha welcome, any funds raised to the Building Fund. Hope to see you there, Jacob and Shiona.

**Church open for Prayer -** Join in on Monday from 9.00am to 2.00pm to pray for our personal needs, our parish, our community and the world. All welcome. Feel free to come and go.

**Messy Church -** next Sunday 21 June at 4.00pm in the hall. The theme is *Mission Impossible*.. Come along and enjoy informal family fun,, craft, story and prayer activities followed by a shared meal. Bring something to share for the meal.

Youth Band leads the music at today's 10:30 Service, Sunday 14 June.



## Children's Programme

The toy box and baby change facilities are available anytime at the rear of the Church.

Children are welcome to attend one of the following during the 10.30 sermon time:

- · Kids' Church under 5's in the crèche.
- Kids' Church primary school age in the church hall and younger youth (Yr 7 to Yr 11) in Youth Room in the hall.

# **Prayers for the Week**

**God's World:** we wonder how war machines and responding to conflict with violence helps anything and yet somehow nations have to protect their people. Only you know and can provide the solutions to the turmoil in our world. We continue to pray for your wisdom and intervention in places like: Syria, Sudan, Israel and Gaza, Nigeria. Bring your comfort and strength to struggling people wherever they are.

**Mission partners:** We pray for Chris and Catherine Corin and their family as they work and minister in Central Asia. Be with Chris as he mentors local businesses especially for meaningful conversations with 'Charlie'. Pray also for the pastor of a small church as he works to develop an agricultural project to help provide for their family.

**Diocese:** We pray for Nathaniel and Simone Petterson as they lead St Stephens church in Tahanunui. Thank you for the safe birth of Emma on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Be with them all as they balance ministry and family life. Thank you also for the growth in children and family ministry in that parish.

**Local Church:** We thank you for the parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Richmond. We pray Father David Gruschow as he minsters there and in Golden Bay. We pray for Marianne James who has recently become a member. May all who worship and minister there be blessed richly and grow closer to our Lord and to each other. Thank you that they are partnering with us in the Love in Action project.

#### **Our Parish:**

We continue to ask you to supply the right person to teach our children. We thank you for the Lunch on the Hill team and Kay who leads them. Help us to get the news of this gathering out more widely into our community. Thank you that she resumes her ministry with the seniors in our parish again this week. Give her discernment in her planning.

**Those in need within our own church family:** Please be with George and Bev, Daphne, Pam, Carole Burke, Noel, Lisa, Fiona, Ellie, Freda, Linda, Geddes, Bill, Ella Grace and others known to us, and those in the rest homes and hospitals in our parish. Please provide all they need

# This Week...

#### Monday 15 June

7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S. Frengley) 7.30pm Weekly group (K. Peterson)

#### Tuesday 16 June

10.00am Weekly group (M. Silke) 10.30am Fortnightly group (J. Payne)

11.30am Lunch on the Hill

#### Wednesday 17 June

7.30am Prayer

10.00am Fortnightly women's group (N. Thomas)

10.00am Wednesday Service

#### Thursday 18 June

12.00pm Weekly Study group (WWilkinson, J Lines)

7.30pm Fortnightly group (J. Palmer) 7.30pm Fortnightly group (N. Pritchard)

Friday 19 June 7.00pm Youth

#### Sunday 21 June

9.00am Morning Worship\* 10.30am Holy Communion\*

4.00pm Messy Church - Mission Impossible

\*Morning Tea between services in the Hall

# Coming up...

#### Friday 10 July

7.30pm Christ's College Cambridge Choir

## Saturday 18 July

9.00am Book Fair

## **Thursday 13 August**

10.00 - 2.30pm Retreat at Gardens of the World

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 14 June Holy Communion Sunday 28 June Morning Service

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Roster for 21 June Thank you for serving us all!

Leader:9.00am J McConachie10.30am J PalmerSidespeople:9.00am K South10.30am J GreenWelcomer:9.00am B Page10.30am J South

**Tea:** A Burrough, V Matthews

Chalice: 9.00am N/A 10.30am J/A Green, N Pritchard

L/T Summerfield

Flowers: A Burrough Brass: J Inwood

**Readings for Next Sunday:** Genesis 11:1 – 9, Acts 2:1 - 12 **Theme for Next Sunday:** Arrogance Leads to Confusion

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