



Church on the Hill

Sunday 10 August 2014



Theme: Genuine Sacrifice
Vicar: Susan Gill
Preacher: Susan Gill
Readings: Psalm 40:5-10, Mark 10:32-45

Sentence:

Sacrifices and offerings are not what You want, but You've opened my ears, and now I understand. Burnt offerings and sin offerings are not what please You.

- Psalm 40:6

Prayer for the day:

Dear heavenly Father, we bring you our requests, but we give you our hearts. While we ask you to answer our prayers, we also submit to your will. Strengthen

us so that your work may be done in earth, through the power of the Holy Spirit, as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen**

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



We are in our second week of Mission Month and **prayer** has to be a big part of that. It's been exciting to see the various forms that have taken place so far this month.

It's also been cool to see people give to mission. Thank you if you gave to Allan and Christine last week. If you'd still like to, just pop your mission bag in the offering this week. We will also be taking up offerings for the Corin family who come to be with us the second to last week of the month. Just take a mission bag from the bag if you'd like to share in that way.

This week Esther joins us from Volunteer Service Abroad. There are so many avenues for mission; both overseas and local. We often think of people involved in overseas mission as very spiritual. However missionaries are not usually chosen to serve overseas unless they are already active in their own communities.

I am very grateful to those who are involved in serving in our own church and in the wider community. Groups like Aged Concern, the Information Centre, Cancer Society, Fire Brigade etc all perform such valuable services to us. They need our support; prayer support, financial support and volunteer support too.

But we can't do everything. We mustn't spread ourselves so thin, that we are running everywhere. So how do we know where the Lord wants us to serve? Some of you have undertaken Spiritual Gifts courses. That is a big help. As we understand our gifts, passions and preferred ways of working, we understand where we can be most effective. We can also pray and the Lord will guide us; no question – he will guide. Love in Jesus, Susan

Living Lord Jesus, you showed us the path of servanthood. Show us the path you want us to walk with you. Amen

God Bless

Susan

Food Bank - With winter heating costs up some people are needing food bank support. Supplies in our church banks are very low, so donations of non-perishable food would be welcome. Suitable gifts could include tea, coffee, sugar, rice, breakfast cereals, milk powder, tinned food, jam, honey, spreads etc and supermarket vouchers. Donations can be left in the basket at the front door. Thank-you. Alice Burrough.

Youth Band - Practice Friday 15 August in Church 4.00-5.00pm.

Parenting Toolbox Course - At Wakefield School Thursday, 12 August 7.00-9.00pm (6-12 year olds) and at Elim Church on Wednesday 3 September 7.00-9.00pm (0-6 years). \$75 each course. Contact Wakefield School Ph. 541 8332, Elim Church Ph. 547 2533 or Denise Ph. 544 4091 to register or for more info.

Friday Fun - 3.00pm - 5.00pm 15 August. Children will make gingerbread men. Parents please encourage kids to bring a friend.

Budget Advisors - Anyone wanting to be a Budget Advisor please contact Anne Askin Ph.544 9095. We have our first training weekend on the 29/30th August. Places are still available for this very exciting community outreach!



Today's VSA Speaker - Esther Sassenburg is originally from Holland and came to New Zealand in 2002. Esther had always had an interest in international development and after working with VSO in the Maldives she was very interested in working in the Pacific. Esther was accepted and worked as a volunteer with VSA for the Honiara City Council in Vanuatu. Esther and her husband Eric moved to Nelson and she is currently teaching Geography and French at Nelson College for Girls.



Family fun, Food and Friendship
Sunday 24 August 4.00pm - 6.00 pm



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

Our World: We pray for the Ebola outbreak in West Africa, for victims and health workers alike. We pray for safety and the containment of this deadly disease. We pray for those in authority for wisdom to act properly. We continue to uphold the many places there is war and violence and ask for peacemakers to be successful, especially for the sake of the poor, the helpless, the children, the voiceless. We continue to pray for the resources of the world and how we use them. Help us to act responsibly and wisely.

Our Nation: We pray for the upcoming election and those running for office. We pray for transparency and integrity, for wisdom and honesty. We pray that we would be a nation that prioritises aid to those in greatest need. Help us be a caring compassionate people. We also pray for Christians who work within NZ's media and people of influence within NZ's media .

Our Mission Partners: We pray for the Jo Rogers and her work in Tanzania. We thank you for Allan and Christine and their contribution to our parish over the last week.

Our Diocese: We pray for the Parish of Waimea, for Martin and Pippa Harrison and their team, giving thanks for all that God has done and what he is doing; we pray for their building project for the vicarage and the many ministries in and around the Brightwater community.

Our Local Area: We pray for Richmond New Life, asking your continual guidance for and equipping of Pastor Jono and Vanessa Martin and the team, for the vision and outworking of this church and the ministries you have called them to do. We pray for local businesses especially those struggling at the moment. Help us to be aware of the needs we can meet in our own community here.

Our Church: AAW (Jean McConachie and Alison Heslop): We pray for good health for members over this cold time of the year. We give thanks for the friendship among all members of our church congregations. Friends 'n Fun (Carol Sardella) Pray for the families at Friends 'n Fun. Please pray for wisdom and provision for future needs as we look into expanding the deck. We pray for Owen Haring and his family as Owen seeks to explore other employment options for next year, be it in the Anglican Church or other ministries.

Those In Special Need: We remember Luke, Caroline, George, Carole Burke, Carol Frater, Noel, Wendy, Grant, Rex Senior (St Albans), Alan, Dorothy, Erica (Shirley Jackson's niece), Lisa and Fiona (St Albans), and Ellie, others known to us, and those in the rest homes and hospitals in our parish.

This Week...

Monday 11 August

9.00am Church Open for Prayer
9.30am Friends 'n Fun
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S. Frengley)
7.30pm Weekly group (K. Peterson)

Tuesday 12 August

9.00am Prayer
10.00am Fortnightly group (J. Payne)
10.00am Weekly group (M. Silke)
7.30pm Fortnightly group

Wednesday 13 August

7.30am Prayer
10.00am Fortnightly women's group (N. Thomas)
10.00am Wednesday Service

Thursday 14 August

9.00am Prayer
9.30am Friends 'n Fun

12 noon Weekly lunch time study group
(W Wilkinson)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J. Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N. Pritchard)

Friday 15 August

9.00am Prayer

Sunday 17 August

9.00am Morning Worship*
10.30am Holy Communion*

**Morning Tea between services in the Hall*

Coming up...

October - Re-Source at Church on the Hill
See Noticeboard for details

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 10 August Holy Communion

Sunday 24 August Morning Service

If you wish to give financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our bank account number is: 03 0751 0146369 001 Westpac Richmond

Roster for 17 August *Thank you for serving us all!*

Leader:	9.00am J Burrough	10.30am A Sardella
Sidespeople:	9.00am K South	10.30am J Green
Welcomer:	9.00am B Page	10.30am J South
Tea:	A Burrough, V Matthews	
Chalice:	9.00am N/A	10.30am J & A Green, M Tilley
Flowers:	A Burrough	Brass: J South

Readings for Next Sunday: Esther 4:13-17, Matthew 10:16-26

Theme for Next Sunday: The Story Of Esther

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