



Church on the Hill

Sunday 21 October 2018



Theme: Who do you think you are?
Priest in Charge: Ian Smith
Preacher: Owen Haring
Readings: Esther 4:6-7, 3-14, Matthew 16:24-26

Sentence:

Perhaps this is the reason you have been placed here.

- *Esther 4:14*

Prayer for the day:

Lord God help us to see beyond ourselves and our problems. Help us to know if we are where

we are because you want us to serve you in that place. **Amen.**

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



Amazing Stories

The Bible is FULL of amazing stories... especially the Old Testament. Some of the stories are hidden within passages of the Bible that can be tough to enjoy - like legal / sacrificial topics. Some stories can be quite violent and hard to understand. Some give us more questions than answers. There are entire books that contain incredible stories. All these stories

are in the Bible for a reason.

Today we hear a version of the story about Esther. It is a fast paced story that has many levels and sub-plots. One trivia insight is that Esther is the only book in the Bible that doesn't mention God by name.

I hope you enjoy the story today and I hope it will encourage you to read again some of the amazing stories in the Bible. Each story has a message to be told.

Owen

St Albans 150 Years Celebration - On Saturday evening 24 November there will be an informal gathering in the church, an opportunity to meet up with old friends. Sunday morning 25 November there is the 10.30am 150th anniversary celebration service, with Bishop Richard Elena officiating. Following the service there will be a communal lunch at Club Waimea, Richmond. If you are interested in helping with or attending the celebrations please contact the office.

Preserves - If you like lemon curd/honey I am happy to make this on request. I have been trialling a quicker way of preparing the citrus peel and have produced some samples. There are small jars at the back of the church. Could if you buy these please give me feedback? Many thanks, Shiona. Proceeds from the preserves sales goes to missions.

Honey - Building Fundraiser. 500gm \$7.50/1kg \$15.00 /2kg \$25. Contact Anne Askin Ph.542 3284.

Shoe Box Appeal Shipping Cost Appeal - We have 90 boxes to go to children overseas. The last day for the boxes to be in is the combined service on Sunday 31 October. This is for blessing them before they start their journey. The cost to ship these is \$10 a box (\$900 total). Can you help by contributing towards this cost? Thankyou. Coordinator: Dawn Martin. Cell 021 177 3312 or email: dawngarymartin@gmail.com

Save the Date - CWCINZ Women's evening 7.30pm Tuesday 6 November, Headingly Centre. Speaker Vanessa McCarthy will share about her life. A mother of 4 children ages 7 - 18 years, Vanessa will share her journey through heart-break as a young woman, a car accident in early married life and an extended season of secondary infertility. These challenges have shaped her faith and deepened her walk with the Lord. \$10 includes supper. Contact Neila Ph. 544 5420 or 027 350 8825

Simply the Story Workshop - November 9 - 11 Grace Church, The Headingly Centre, 452 Lower Queen Street, Richmond. Learn ways to tell fascinating, accurate stories and to lead interactive discussions on Bible passages. Listeners grasp truths and pass them on! In this foundational workshop, learn how to easily remember and tell Bible stories and teach through discussion. Learn to ask engaging questions that help family, friends and gatherings discover spiritual treasures and personal applications within Bible passages. In this hands-on 19 hour training, you learn and practice the STS method, while receiving coaching to get started on your way toward a fruitful story-telling ministry. Cost: \$85 Includes registration, 4 meals, snacks, DVDs, CDs, STS handbook and even more resources. Enquiries: Don and Dianne Ross 03 548 2145 or email Don.Dianne@xtra.co.nz. www.SimplyTheStory.org.

Truffles - Last Chance to order! Delicious truffles for Christmas. Only \$5 a dozen. All profits go to Global Impact Freedom Philippines Campaign against Human Trafficking. Orders and payment to Marianne Brosnahan. Ph. 544 3972

Church open for Prayer - The Church is open for prayer each Monday (except public holidays) from 9.00am - 2.00pm. All welcome.

Afternoon AAW group - Our next meeting will be held in the Church on Wednesday, 24 October at 1.30pm. Our guest speaker will be Jean Palmer who will talk about her recent visit to Ireland. This will be followed by Afternoon Tea. There will be a Sales Table and the box to collect items for the Holy Trinity Food Bank. Any new members are most welcome to attend. Jean McConachie Ph.544 6921

Fundraising for Shoe Box Shipping - Dawn Martin has framed limited edition numbered and signed prints of her acrylic painting *Cattle Creek Hut - Mt White 2017* for sale at \$80. All proceeds go to Shoe Box Shipping. The original painting is at the back of the church for viewing. Please contact Dawn Martin. Cell 021 177 3312 or email: dawngarymartin@gmail.com

Church Property - Please check with Anne Askin if you want to remove or place anything in the Church. Phone 542 3284

Evening AAW - Meeting at the church on Thursday 25 October at 7.30pm. This is our AGM and the opportunity to elect your leader and committee for the coming year. We hope you have thought about this and have some written nominations to pass on to Val Matthews. Please remember to check that your nominee has been consulted and agreed to accept nomination. We will accept nominations from the floor. We also have one or two items of general business. Contact: Val Ph. 544 5007 or Anne Ph. 544 7992

Time Capsule - The Time capsule is being prepared and will be enclosed in a wall of the new hall.



WARNING Burn Hazard

Under seat heaters are on during services. Please do not touch - *they are hot!*

Prayers for the Week

Loving God, we bring to you our thanks for your care for us, your creation, and we bring you our concerns.

Lord, much of the world is hurting as the result of recent storms and earthquakes. We thank you for the aid agencies working in disaster areas and we ask you to show us what we can do to help to rebuild lives.

Lord, we pray for all those involved in our government both local and national. Inspire and guide them with your wisdom as they struggle with difficult problems and personalities. May they put the welfare of the whole area or country before their own interests and we pray that they will know your love and care for them.

We pray too for our whole education system. In particular we pray for teachers to be valued and respected and for pupils to be inspired and equipped to live full and satisfying lives.

So many do not know of your love and care. We thank you that we have that privilege and we give you thanks for all those who spread the good news. We thank you for the Cotters and the work they have done in Albania and we ask for your continued guidance and support for them.

We ask you too, to guide and support the members of the Richmond Baptist Church.

In our diocese, we pray for the Kaikoura church. Guide and support them in their task of being Christ's body in that place.

We thank you for this church community and we ask your blessing and guidance on us that we may be a blessing to the communities where we live and work.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus, our friend and guide.

Amen.

This Week...

Monday 22 October (Labour Day)

Tuesday 23 October

10.00am Fortnightly women's group (B Page)
10.00am Fortnightly Bible Study Group (E Erskine)
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S Frengley)

Wednesday 24 October

10.00am Reflective Service
1.30pm Afternoon AAW Group (J McConachie)

Thursday 25 October

9.30am Friends 'n Fun
10.30am Café Connection - Wooden Spoon Café
12.00pm Weekly Study group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)
7.30pm Evening AAW AGM (Anne Webb)

Sunday 28 October

9.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Praise on the Hill

Coming up...

Thursday 1 November

6.00pm All Souls Remembrance Service

*For more information about services or groups
contact the office Ph. 544 8844.*

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 28 October

Morning Prayer

Sunday 11 November

Holy Communion

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

Roster for 28 October - Thank you for serving us all!

Leader:	9.00am	I Price	10.30am	Jean Palmer
Reader:	9.00am	S Frengley, M Reynolds	10.30am	L Milligan
Sidesperson	9.00am	J Lines	10.30am	J Green
Welcomer:	9.00am	S Entwistle	10.30am	S Milligan
Chalice:	9.00am	S Frengley, S Paine	10.30am	N/A
Tea:		M Mercer, S Paine		
Flowers:		M Brosnahan	Crèche	S Milligan

Theme for Next Sunday: Bible Sunday

Readings for Next Sunday: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5, John 5:36b - 47

Parish Contacts

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

10.00am - 5.30pm

Wednesday 10.00am - 1.00pm