



Church on the Hill

Sunday 23 October 2016



Theme: God of our Salvation
Vicar: Revd. Susan Gill
Preacher: Charles Tyrrell
Readings: Psalm 65, 2 Timothy 4:6-8 and 16-18, Luke 18:9-14

Sentence:

Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.
- Ephesians 5:2

Prayer for the day:

Merciful God, though we are overwhelmed by our sins, you forgive them all. Thank you for the joy we experience as you bring us near. Holy Spirit help us to live as inhabitants of your holy courts; the places You are worshipped and

to live humbly in Your world. Thank You that You faithfully answer our prayers with awesome deeds, O God our Saviour. There is no one like You and so we praise You through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



Going out to encourage others

I'm so excited that we are doing another 'mission' trip Friday 4 November – Sunday 6 November; this time to Murchison. The trip to Westport was an absolute blast. We had so much fun and received far more than we gave. This time there will be no paint-stained clothes; just a bit of dirt from the cleaning that will go on.

What a privilege to bless the small congregation at Murchison in this way. We'll also be leading the service, and get to be part of a bonfire night on Saturday. And all it costs is time and some petrol money! Accommodation is provided.

Please contact John Palmer if you'd like to be part of the small but energetic team who are going. Phone 544 4275.

It's been a delight to see the level of encouragement that goes on a bit closer to our own environment too. Recently I've heard of a member of our office volunteer team praying for

someone in distress. That person came back to the open church on a Monday in order to receive more support and prayer. Then they came to Lunch on the Hill, where they felt so welcomed and supported, so they want to join the team and help set up.

Paul says in 1 Corinthians 7:4 "I have the highest confidence in you and I take great pride in you." I can honestly say that about you, our church folk. It delights my heart as I see you sharing food, time, energy, prayer etc with others.

Recently I read a post which said something like "We were not called just to be worshippers of Jesus but followers of Jesus." I totally agree. We are not meant to be people who enjoy our own private relationship with God or even just to share that in church with other Christians. Following Jesus means getting out there with those who don't yet follow him.

So give it a shot people. Get out there. I have the highest confidence in you

Learning together in love,

Susan

Convergence Camp - Friday 17 February - Sunday 19 February. Bishop Justin Duckworth from Wellington is keynote speaker. Registration forms at the back of the church.

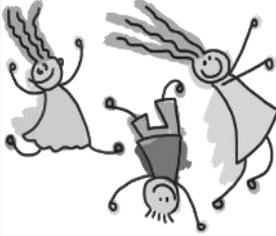
AAW Evening Group - Our next meeting is on Thursday 27th October at 7.30p.m. in the church hall Lounge. This is our AGM and your opportunity to elect your committee for the coming year. Have you put in a nomination? We will take nominations from the floor at the meeting. There will be a sales table. Enquiries and Nominations to Margaret Ph. 544 041 or Anne Ph. 544 7992.

Afternoon AAW Group - Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 26 October at 2.00pm in the Lounge. Our Guest Speaker is Carol Burson whose illustrated talk is entitled "The Miracles of Pinnacle House." Carol spoke to us 3 years ago and will have more wonderful examples of how God is working with Staff and students in our Community. Afternoon tea to follow, Sales Table and box for Food Bank items. Everyone welcome to attend. Enquiries to Jean McConachie 544 6921.

Operation Christmas Child - Last Sunday we blessed a record 74 well filled boxes and they are beginning their long journey to needy children in the Pacific. Thank you everyone who took part, especially those who helped out at the last minute. I am most grateful to you all. We're nearly there with donations towards freight. Love & thanks to you all. Brenda Ph. 544 5872

Remembrance Service - There will be a special remembrance service for beloved members of our families, who have died in the past few years. The ceremony will include naming of the deceased and symbolic candles will be lit. Everyone, especially members of a bereaved family, are invited to attend the 6:00pm service on Wednesday 2 November at Church on the Hill.

Naomi Striemer Tearfund Tour - 7.00pm Thursday 4 November, Richmond Church of Christ, Cnr Croucher and Darcy Streets, Richmond, Nelson. (Free admission). Naomi Striemer (pronounced Streemer), walked away from fame and fortune, with the world at her fingertips, to follow Jesus. Her story has been told on numerous Christian TV shows around the world and is detailed in a Best-Selling Book titled Backstage Pass. "Like many great artists, Naomi inspires in people the force of compassion and hope." - Carlos Santana (Multi Grammy award winning, legendary Guitarist) To find out more visit www.naomistriermusic.com



= KIDS' CHURCH CALENDAR =

Today Sunday 23 October - Asking forgiveness / growing through mistakes

Next Sunday 30 October - Different ways to pray. - Children doing prayers of thanks for New Zealand in service

The toy box and baby change facilities are available anytime at the rear of the Church. Prayers and offers of help are appreciated. Catherine 022 647 9810

Prayers for the Week

God's World – Lord God, sometimes all that's going wrong in your world seems too much and too overwhelming and we feel like we can't do anything useful. Help us to see the good in Your world and in those around us. Show us what we can do – whether big or small – to make a difference. As the US presidential elections get closer, give wisdom to those involved to make good decisions. In all things, help us to see Your Kingdom first and to stand firm in our faith.

Mission Partners – Thank you Lord for Christine's diagnosis and her treatment. We ask that you give her and Allan peace and the resources they need to cope with Christine's treatment and recovery. Thank you for the Corin family and their willingness to serve You. Keep them willing and provide what they need to serve You individually and as a family. Encourage all those who live their lives telling others about You and showing Your love for those around them.

Diocese – Thank you Lord for the Parish of Havelock and the Sounds. We pray for Chris and Susan Donaldson who are in China for two months, teaching at a university. We also pray for the congregations who are looking after one another along with the help of some invited speakers on most Sundays. And we continue to remember David Hollingsworth, Ian Thatcher and Nick Kirk. May Your Spirit envelop them with Your grace and mercy.

Community - Now that we have local officials elected, please Lord God, make the wellbeing of the community a priority in the hearts of all those at the Tasman District Council that they might act in the community's best interests. Help us to find ways to engage with all those who don't feel like a part of any community. It is sometimes hard Lord to love those around us who seem very unlovable at times. Help us to remember that we are all your children, that you love us and have asked us to do the same for each other. We also ask you to be with the folk at Richmond Baptist as they too care for each other while Pastor David Jensen is in Israel.

Our Parish – Thank You for our church community, for all those who put in so much time and effort. Help us to listen to where and how You want us to act and give us the courage to obey. Take what we have, and help us use it in the best ways to glorify You. Thank you also for the fellowship and learning about prayer that Vestry is enjoying. Please continue to guide them, Susan and the other leaders who set the direction for our church. May we always remember we are Your church as we submit ourselves to You and to one another.

Special people in our church family – Your Word tells us that the most vulnerable are to be the most valued and so we bring before You again: Carol Burke, Ellie, John Barnes, Laurie D'Eganneh, Sonja, Pam Butler, Val Jordan, Ingrid Blackbeard, Eric Gaffa, and others we know. ...

You order Your kingdom with justice: and establish the world in peace.

This Week...

Monday 24 October

7.30pm Weekly group (K. Peterson)

Tuesday 25 October

10.00am Fortnightly group (M. Silke)
10.00am Fortnightly women's group (B. Page)
10.30am Fortnightly group (J. Payne)
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S. Frengley)

Wednesday 26 October

10.00am Senior's Tea & Talk (Age Concern)
10.00am Wednesday Service
2.00pm Afternoon AAW

Thursday 27 October

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

Sunday 30 October

8.45am Holy Communion
10.45am Praise on the Hill

Coming up...

Wednesday 2 November

6.00pm Remembrance Service

Friday 4 November - Sunday 6 November

Murchison Missions Trip

Sunday 13 November

Church Picnic

Friday 17 February - Sunday 19 February 2017

Convergence Camp - Bethany Park Kaiteriteri

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

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 13 November

Holy Communion

Sunday 27 November

Morning Prayer

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03 0751 0146369 001 Westpac Richmond

Roster for 30 October *Thank you for serving us all!*

Leader:	8.45am I Price	10.45am S Jackson, L Ashby
Reader:	8.45am S Entwistle, J Payne	10.45am TBA
Sidespeople:	8.45am E Erskine	10.45am J Green
Welcomer:	8.45am S. Entwistle	10.45am TBA
Tea:	F & J Murbach	
Chalice:	8.45am B. Payne	10.45am N/A
Flowers:	B Page	Creche: S Milligan, J Vercoe

Theme for Next Sunday: The God Who Suffers

Readings for Next Sunday: Psalm 22: 1-21, Matthew 27: 32-46

Parish Contacts

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