



Church on the Hill

Sunday 21 February 2016



Theme: Rocks on the road
Vicar: Susan Gill
Preacher: Peter Bean
Readings: Isaiah 54:1-17, Luke 13:31-35

Sentence:

But in that coming day, no weapon turned against you shall succeed, and you will have justice This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord. This is the blessing I have given you, says the Lord.
- Isaiah 54:17

Prayer for the day:

Thank you, Lord, for your promises to us. We can trust the plans You have for us. They are plans for good and not for evil, and reassure us of the future and the hope we have in Your Son. Thank you that You promise to hear us when we

pray. Thank you that we will find You when we seek You. Help us to earnestly search for you this Lent Season and always. We praise and thank you in Jesus' name.

Amen

Following Jesus, Building Community

Church on the Hill Event Gallery

*Messy Church starts again today.
Here are some of the children doing
crafts at Christmas.*



Short Term Mission Trip - Westport 4 – 6 March. Plans for our Westport Mission Trip are slowly evolving. The Lord has been gracious and we look forward to seeing what else He will do through his people. So far we have ten people coming to Westport for the first weekend in March. We definitely could use more; especially some younger (or even middle-aged people J). \$100 has been donated towards paint for our Saturday job of painting the church at Gracity. Any offers towards paint or trip offers will be gratefully accepted. Also acceptable is some baking to take with us. The program so far looks like this:

- Leave here after lunch or after work on Friday.
- Friday night do a prayer walk of the town.
- Saturday painting at Gracity
- Saturday night – we lead some kind of evening separately for the blokes and women
- Sunday – others do readings, a children's talk and pray for folk and Susan preaches,
- Leave after lunch on Sunday

Accommodation will be worked out when we know how many people are coming. Please let Susan know if you are able to come today. email: susan.churchonhill@xtra.co.nz.

Lenten Studies - (Week 3 of 6). Studies continue this week. 10.00am Thursday 18 February (Parish Lounge) and 7:30pm (Church)

Children - A toy box and baby change facilities are available anytime at the rear of the Church. Our children's programme starts again today at 10.30am.

Prayers for the Week

God's World: Loving God maybe we are old fashioned but respect and courtesy are important we think. Some national and international leaders, don't seem to hold to these values. Please help all those in authority to demonstrate politeness and to be good role models for all of us. Give them true wisdom and compassion so that they may be concerned for the well-being of all people. Especially show them and us the best way to help refugees everywhere.

Mission Partners: We pray for Phil, Becky, Bryn, Toby, Pippa and Molly Sussex in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Becky, Pippa and Molly are very grateful for the completion of the new building at Hope School, which they moved into last week. Staff and students have had fun setting up their new spaces. Please be with Phil as he prepares for starting 2 new lecture series for his dental students next. We also remember Ly Peng who is under pressure from his parents to give up dentistry. Ly Peng is one of the key students in Phil's dental outreach team in his church based community clinics and had committed to the prison team. Phil's prison team has started working every Wednesday. With Ly Peng withdrawing they are short on student volunteers. The community clinics have been going really well with the pastors at each church being fully involved and supportive. In the most recently started clinic, the pastor has been really excited about the team coming. Phil recently arrived to find him running evangelistic outreach to the patients who had arrived for treatment!

Diocese: Thank you Generous God for the recent arrival of Rev.d Russell and Anna Pickersgill-Brown into the Motueka Parish. Russell asks us to pray for unity in leadership and vision for your purpose, and also for individuals to experience the reality of your love. We'd like to ask you to help Russell and Anna to settle in quickly and to get a sense of your priorities for them.

Local Community: Peter Somervell, from Grace Church, asks us to pray for the renewal of their church mission and vision under his leadership. They want to unify the people and ministries of Grace around one central, driving mission and vision. Please God give them a clear vision for why they are in Richmond and what you'd have them to do. Bring spiritual growth and renewal through their new ministry of mentoring among the women. Thank you Lord for the larger than usual number of young adults this year! Provide wisdom and resources as they begin new ministry for them involving home groups and social activities. May they be encouraged and reach out to those who need you

Our Parish: We continue to pray for the right Youth Leader and volunteers needed to help with our youth group, Kids Church, Messy Church etc. We also ask for continued provision for the Lantern. Thank you for your provision. Please be with the Messy Church team – may the service be fun as you clearly speak to the people of all ages who will be there. As we walk the journey towards Easter, help us to know you more intimately and follow you more closely. Help us to honour you in all you do.

Those in need within our own church family: Gracious God we continue to pray for: George and Bev, Carole Burke, Ellie, John Barnes, Jane, Laurence and others we know. We also pray for Dorothy D'Roses' family and friends. May your grace, mercy and peace also be with the residents and staff of rest homes and hospitals within our parish. We offer you sincere thanks for all You have done in and through us as a people. May we each grow more and more into your likeness.

This Week...

Monday 22 February

9.00am Church open for Prayer until 2.00pm
10.00am Friends 'n Fun
7.30pm Weekly group (K. Peterson)

Tuesday 23 February

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

Wednesday 24 February

10.00am Fortnightly women's group (B. Page)
10.00am Wednesday Service
2.00pm AAW Afternoon Group (J McConachie)
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S. Frengley)

Thursday 25 February

12.00pm Weekly Study group (WWilkinson, J Lines)
10.00am Friends 'n Fun
10.00am Lenten Study - Lounge (S Gill)
12.00pm AAW Evening Group Picnic (A Webb)

7.30pm Lenten Study - Church (S Gill)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J. Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N. Pritchard)

Sunday 28 February

9.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Praise on the Hill*

**Morning Tea between services in the Hall*

Coming up...

Friday 4 March - Sunday 6 March

Mission trip to Buller

Saturday 19 March

Autumn Fair

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

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 14 February

Holy Communion

Sunday 28 February

Morning Prayer

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Roster for 28 February *Thank you for serving us all!*

Leader:	9.00am J Palmer	10.30am S Gill
Reader:	9.00am S Frengley, M Reynolds	10.30am TBC
Sidespeople:	9.00am J Lines	10.30am M Martin
Welcomer:	9.00am A Webb	10.30am S Milligan
Tea:	G Bevernage, Volunteer	
Chalice:	9.00am S Frengley, S Paine	10.30am N/A
Flowers:	M Evans	Crèche: G Thomson

Theme for Next Sunday: Secure in the Lord

Readings for Next Sunday: Psalm 63:1 – 11, Luke 13:1 – 9

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