

**PRAYER -Several opportunities to be involved through the week...**

**'Prayer Chain'** – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

**'Prayer 4 U'**– Mondays in the Church Library, 12:30pm to 1:30pm.

**Tuesday, 'Prayer For the Nation'** - 11am -12pm in the Church Prayer Room.

**'Friday Revival Prayer'**– Meets every Friday evening 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Church auditorium, or if that is being used, we meet in the Church House. All welcome. Enquiries to Stewart Patrick contact 0210470795.



**FOODBANK...** Thankyou for your faithful giving to this ministry. At present we have large supplies of Jams, Pasta and baked beans/spaghetti **but the following are the things we would love help with: flour, sugar (smallest bags), long-life milk, toothpastes, cereals, rice, noodles, margarines, dishwashing liquid, washing powder.** We realise some of these aren't food items but they are essential to living a healthy clean life.

**Focus on Servanthood** – This week, we acknowledge and thank those who serve as home group leaders. Your input is vital to our growth as a church. God bless you all.

**Preaching Messages available on MUP Website** – In case some folk are not already aware, the morning service messages can be reheard via Podcast on the MUP Website, <http://www.mup.org.nz/podcast/>



We at Ruel ( now to be called Ruel Foundation Give a Smile ) are extending the placement of our Donation Boxes throughout the city and would love the help of one or two more people. It will not be onerous ,as the boxes only need to be changed every 2 months but it is a huge part of our fund raising. I would be delighted to hear from anyone who is interested – phone Lyn Hawksworth on 8676134 or Margo Hawksworth on 0211315547

**Church Duty Roster for May, June & July** – Just another reminder folks that I am now preparing the next duty roster, so please let me know of any dates for which you will not be available for duty. New volunteers are most welcome!

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**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April  
'Easter Camp' at Mystery Creek!  
35 attending from MUP, plus leaders.**



	<i>Today 9 April 2017</i>	<i>Easter Sunday 16 April 2017</i>
<b>Greeters</b>	<i>D. Whibley, M. Wilson</i>	<i>H Hockey, Val Hawkins</i>
<b>Explorers crèche</b>	<i>V Judd</i>	<i>N Hawkins</i>
<b>Ministry Team</b>	<i>J McHardy</i>	<i>Jan Newman</i>
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	<i>N&amp;C Coffey, M. McHardy</i>	<i>P &amp; D Viljoen, P Oram</i>
<b>Flowers</b>	<i>Elaine Oates</i>	<i>Elaine Oates</i>
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	<i>Rodney Nelson/Volunteer</i>	<i>2 Volunteers Please!</i>
<b>Counters</b>	<i>D Welch</i>	<i>D Welch</i>

**Mangapapa Church** (UNION PARISH)

*Our motivating vision is...  
'To be His Love, Light and Life'*

**Sunday 9 April 2017**

**10am: 'What's Your Response to Jesus?'**

**Leading: Sal Clement Preaching: Al Clement**

**Duty Elder: Llew Paul**

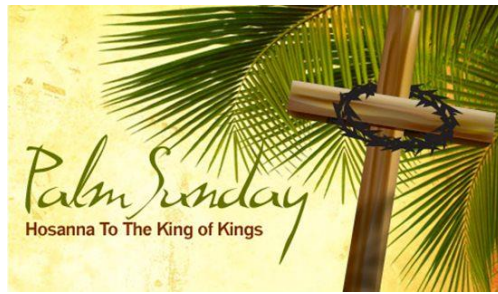
**6.30pm: "The Agape Road" Part 6  
'Learning To Abide'**

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**Elders Team**  
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*'Explorers' crèche is operating and available for 1-4 yrs.  
'Kidzspace' Primary age children head out when directed.  
'Matrix' Intermediates meet during the message time, over in the house.*

**Stewart writes...** It's great to have a husband & wife team leading and preaching together, for the first time here at MUP. Thank you Sally & Al Clement. This is Al's first time preaching in a church, although he has preached on several occasions when in Prison...visiting. Al has given us some Scriptures, key words and questions for his message today, so here they are;



**John 12:34** "Who is this Son of Man?". **Matthew 21:10** "Who is this? They asked". **Matthew 16:13** "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?".

**Matthew 16:15** "Who do you say I am?"

- **Choices Matter**
- **Decisions Matter**
- **Actions Matter**
- **Results Matter**

**What** is Jesus doing, and **Why** is He doing it?

**What** are the people doing and **Why** are they doing it?

**Our Easter Services this week... 1) Good Friday - Meet 9:15am at the**

**Botanical Gardens**, Roebuck Road corner, where we will assemble as a group, pray and then together we carry our 3 Crosses on the journey to the Church. **At 9:45am at the Church** we will erect our 3 Crosses on the corner of Ormond Rd, and our Scripture sign boards upon all three. We will pray a blessing upon them and a 30-minute contemplative service follows.



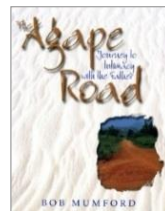
**2) Easter Sunday Family Service - 10am @ the Church auditorium.**

**6:30pm Sunday evening – 'The Agape Road' Journey to Intimacy with The Father. Pt. 6: 'Learning To Abide' by Bob Mumford.**

Bob shares how 'abiding in Christ' is a skill learned over a lifetime that doesn't allow us to be easily moved out of relationship with the Father.

Learning to abide leads to fruitfulness, Father's glory revealed in the earth, and an increased confidence in God so we are not swept off into changing doctrine or easily provoked. We are individually and corporately becoming unshakable as members of Christ's body. - See Bob's personal testimony of coming to this revelation, here at:

<http://lifechangers.org/teachings/abiding/>



There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

**For Prayer & Praise this week...**

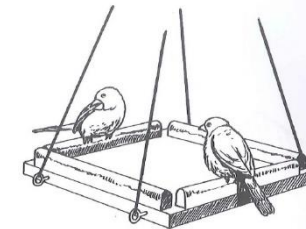
- **Donald & Janet Burgess & family** – Our hearts and prayers go out to Donald & Janet who have lost their eldest son David, after a long battle with cancer. This must be especially hard for them as they lost their youngest son, Andrew, 13 years ago in a tragic farming accident. Donald & Janet have had some tender, precious moments in the past week with David in his last hours of life. David leaves his two young children and wife Christina. Donald & Janet have been in Whakatane supporting the family this past week and will be home this weekend, then returning to Whakatane for the private funeral on Wednesday.

**'School Holidays Craft Mornings' – Week 1- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> of April. Week 2: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April. in the**

**Blue Room: 9am - 12noon.**

Marilyn & helpers will be holding two craft mornings for both weeks of the School Holidays.

Cost is just **\$2.00 per session**. There will be a range of 10 different crafts and projects to choose from. Even woodwork, making a Birdfeeder. Fill in the booking form on the back table of the Church auditorium and either



return it to Marilyn or drop it into the Church office please. Many thanks to all the folk who have offered to help with this event. Register your child now on the form.



**New 'Parenting Small Group' Commencing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> term!**

**Parenting Small Group**

*Premiers on Sunday, 14th May, 2017*

See Eunice Fuchs or Rebekah Martyn for further details, & the Sign On sheet on the auditorium table

**When: Term 2 2017**

Sundays 14th & 28th May; 11 & 25 June 2017

5-6:30 pm

**Where: Mangapapa Union Parish**

If you are currently engaged in parenting responsibilities, join us! We'd love to connect with you!

*Childcare and kai for children provided*



**Nicola's CAPtion** – This week we will deliver beautiful Easter cards and a pack of hot cross buns to clients. Support friends please let me know if you are able to help deliver (delivery Thursday). The CAP "office" will be closed over the school holidays.