## Dates to Remember

Thursdays 2-6 June Sat 14<sup>th</sup> June 7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House 5-9pm Prayer Equippers - Pentecost prayer initiative 2pm Women's High Tea Fundraiser



Church Office Hours: 9am - 12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

**'Prayer Chain'** – Any matters requiring confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

**Monday Bible Study** – Meets weekly at 2.30pm in the Church House. Contact Elaine Oates for more info.

<u>Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study</u> – Meets weekly at 1.30pm in the Church House. Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

<u>'Men's Group'</u> – Meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30am, currently at Noel Dunn's place. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

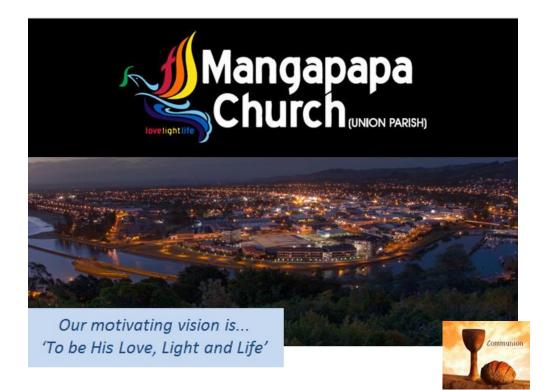
**'Womens Lunch Study Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 5<sup>th</sup> June. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean's house. Next meeting will be 12<sup>th</sup> June. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

"The way we live is often more convincing than the words we say." - Billy Graham

Giving/Tithing - If you wish to tithe or make a donation to Mangapapa Church, our account number is: Mangapapa Church, 03-0638-0381084-00. Please make sure you say 'tithe' or 'donation' in the reference. If you would prefer to give using our 'Envelope' system, then see Jenny Phin who will set you up with envelopes allocated to you.

	Today	Next Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> June
Greeters	J Phin, A Clement	M Raitaukala, M Wilson
Ministry Team	S Clement	D Russell
Cups of Tea	D McLean, P Oram	J Dyas, L Hindle
AV & Sound	D Russell / A Russell	R Nelson / N Dunn
Counters	H van Wijk	G Stevenson



Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025

10am: 'Receiving God's Unshakeable Kingdom'

Revelation 1:1-9

With Shared Communion

Leading: Angela Paton Preaching: Stewart Patrick

**Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick** 

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**Elders Team** 

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Kids go out for a King's Birthday Weekend movie this morning.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and don't share them.

It is the weekend we Kiwis celebrate 'King Charles' birthday'. So too, an apt occasion for Kiwi Believers to remember and meditate upon the eternal, unshakeable kingdom of God we have received, are receiving today, and is yet to come in its fullness.



**Luke 12:31-32:** "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and He will give you everything you need. So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom."



Shane is away this weekend representing us at the Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa NZ (UCANZ) Forum in Auckland. Leaders from the partner churches and members of uniting congregations are gathering to talk about our joint journey and to explore what path lies ahead. Please pray for this meeting and all those who attend. Please also pray for safe travel for Shane, for good connections, and for discernment and wisdom for any decisions that need to be made.

Pentecost Prayer Initiative - Let's do it! — Next week, we have an amazing opportunity to gather with our wider Christian family and pray. I want to encourage you all to come and engage with this initiative as we build up to Pentecost. We believe that God wants to do something amazing. A creative prayer space will be open to all between 5pm and 9pm, from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> of June at Equippers Church (103 Lowe Street). You can come for as little or as much as you like. Mangapapa will be hosting, along with Wainui Beach Church, on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you'd like to help host, please drop me an email (shane@mup.org.nz). Let's do this MUP!





## For Prayer & Praise this week:

- 1) Congratulations to Frank Darcy and Isabel Roche who both celebrated birthdays this week, and Tirzah & Tyrone Rolfe who celebrated their 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary last Sunday.
- Pray for Shane at the UCANZ forum, and for Ali, Izzy and Esme as they remain here this weekend.
- 3) Pray for the combined churches prayer Pentecost Prayer initiative next week.
- Pray for Foodbanks across our country that they may be encouraged in their work and supported by those who have more than they need.



## Te Hāhi Upcoming Te Hahi Events:



- 1. <u>Hangi Fundraiser</u> 12<sup>th</sup> July. Hangi meals will be for sale at \$15 per meal. Each church is asked to sell 50 tickets and if anyone can donate meat (pork mutton or chicken) or vegetables (potatoes, kumara, pumpkin and cabbage) or tinfoil, these donations would be gratefully received. *Please drop any meat into the office. If putting veges etc in the Food Basket, please label them for 'Te Hahi'.*
- 2. Women's High Tea Fundraiser 2pm Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June, at Alive Church. Cost is \$10 per person. If you would like to go, please register your interest with Dione and pay your \$10 to Mangapapa Church by 5<sup>th</sup> June.

**Balakbyan Box** – Thank you so much for the donations to go towards sending the box to Ruel Orphanage Philippines. It cost of \$200 and \$190 was donated.





The Pentecost Art Project – For those who enjoy art, check out this special and unique collection which explores symbols of the Holy Spirit – breath, wind, fire, birds, flight, light – all with an Aotearoa lens. You will find the collection at:

https://www.ecochurch.org.nz/the-pentecost-art-project

**<u>Kidzspace and Matrix Relief Teachers</u>** - Please let Marilyn know if you would be interested in teaching one of these age groups when other teachers are away. The next opportunities are 15<sup>th</sup> June (9-14yrs) or 10<sup>th</sup> August (4-8 years).



**Foodbank** – Our biggest need at the moment is:

## **Banana Boxes**

We have enough for 2 more parcels ...