

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10am CWCI North Island Summer Retreat - Gisborne
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	7pm Ministry Meeting with Sandra at Alive Church
15 & 16 Mar	'Healing Shame, Restoring Glory' Seminar with Sandra
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	10am Easter Sunday-Shane & Ali Roche. BBQ lunch after.



**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 at 2pm in the Church House. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

**Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

**'Men's Fellowship Breakfast Group'** – Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

**'Womens Lunch Study Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon. Bring your lunch. Next meeting Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"God loves us the way we are, but too much to leave us that way." - Leighton Ford

**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 10 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>Greeters</b>	L McAra, J Dyas	N Aston, M Raitaukala
<b>Ministry Team</b>	E Oates	M Freeman
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	I McCoy, N Coffey	M Smith, L Hindle
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	D Russell / A Russell	R Nelson / D Russell
<b>Counters</b>	N Coffey	N Coffey



**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024**

**10am: 'These Are A Few Of My Favourite Things'**

*With Communion*

**Leading: Marilyn Patrick      4 People Share**

**Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick**

**Church Office:** Dione Russell    **06 867-9604**    **9am – 12noon**

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**Elders Team**

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*Kids go out with Zebrina and John Hill this morning.*

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

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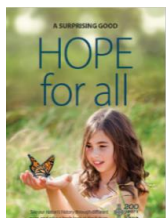


This morning we have asked four people (plus 'Cecil the Sheep') to briefly share some thoughts on their favourite Psalm and why it is so meaningful or special to them. So we will hear from Lorraine Darcy, Isla McCoy, Anna Alder, and Shane Roche by video from Tewkesbury UK. Now here's a tip for when you read the Psalms – **From New Testament times there's been a rich tradition of reading the Psalms with Jesus in mind.** Let us remember that in our Service today.



**Stewart writes...** Detective Jon McKenzie from Whakatane Police gave a stirring testimony at the **'Te Hahi' Combined Churches Service & Fellowship Dinner** at Alive Church last Sunday. Jon is a Police Detective with 35 years experience at the coal face, based in Whakatane, and chair of the Police Christian Support Network (PCSN). He has not held back in witness for the Lord in his daily work with difficult criminals of all kinds. He had them in his home for meals with his family, prayed with them and shown Christ's love, and many have come to faith.

**The 'Abiding Life Basic Seminar' Small Group** meets **3pm every Wednesday afternoon** at the Church House. You are welcome to join this group led by Stewart & Marilyn, just let us know if you wish to participate and we can give you the videos and manual to get you up to date.



**'HOPE FOR ALL' Booklets – pre Easter delivery to Mangapapa area.** Every Easter we have the opportunity to deliver these excellent booklets with wonderful testimonies and stories of HOPE, to letterboxes in our Mangapapa area. If you have done a delivery area before for us, Stewart would love to hear from you if you are able to deliver that area again, or if someone wants to deliver for the first time, great, we will give you an area to do. It is great to do and pray as you go!



**For Prayer this Week:**

- 1) Pray for **John & Angela Paton** who are heading away to a remote area of Argentina to be with a close friend whose husband is unwell and be of assistance there.
- 2) We pray for those **recovering** from extensive treatment / surgery.
- 3) We pray for **Shane & Ali Roche** – Shane preaching here at MUP on Easter Sunday 10am 31<sup>st</sup> March, along with Ali and the family at the Church BBQ Lunch that will follow the Service. We also pray for their preparations for their 3 week holiday and visit here, 25<sup>th</sup> March to 14<sup>th</sup> April.



To **Mark & Janice Langford** who celebrated their 20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary last weekend; and to **Evan & Barbara Bowis** who celebrated 58 years married last week too. Well done! And for **Ken McFarlane, Happy Leap Year Birthday**, being born on 29<sup>th</sup> February.



You are invited to the next **Hymn-A-Long** at **10am on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**, to share a cuppa and then sing some of your favourite hymns. Held at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's place. All welcome.

**2024 Church Directory** – It is time to update our Church Directory again. There is a draft copy in the foyer – please check your details and tick if correct, or write in the corrections. If you are not in the Directory and you would like to be, just write your details in at the back. If you want to update your photo, either email one to the office or catch Dione after church and she will take one for you.



**Mike Tombleson** would like to say 'Thank You' to all the people who helped to make Helen's funeral such a special send off. So many people did so much, and it was most appreciated.

**Sandra Sellmer-Kersten Ministry** – Sandra and her team will be in Gisborne for two weeks in March. Ministry options are as below:

- **Tues 5<sup>th</sup> March 7pm-9pm** - A special ministry meeting at Alive Church in Leith St. There will be a love offering taken at this meeting, to bless the team.
- **Tues 12<sup>th</sup> March, 58 Russell St at 6.30pm-8.00pm** – A youth 'Kai & Korero'. It is a chance for our youth to have the opportunity to korero with Sandra about life and queries on life/challenges. RSVP by 8<sup>th</sup> Mar for BBQ purposes.
- **Fri 15<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm & Sat 9.30am-5.30pm** – 'Healing Shame, Restoring Glory Seminar'. At AOG Church in Grey Street. You will need to register for this by emailing [aoggisborne@gmail.com](mailto:aoggisborne@gmail.com) Seminar costs \$35.

Sandra will also be doing One-On-One sessions on the other days, and these are filling up fast. If you would like to book a session, please contact Michelle Whitley [michellebwhitley@live.com](mailto:michellebwhitley@live.com) or Jennifer Boyd [aoggisborne@gmail.com](mailto:aoggisborne@gmail.com)