

Dates to Remember	
Today	10am Combined Presbyterian Church Service at MUP
9 th Jun	10am Hymn-A-Long at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's place
16-18 Jun	40 Hour Famine



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.

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

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

'Womens Group' – Meeting sporadically at present. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

Cat Seeking Good Home – Regrettably, Neil and Louise Smoker are having to re-home their cat, Poppy, and are looking for a good, loving home for her. She is 8 years old, an indoors/outdoors cat, affectionate and a good mouser/ratter. It would be best she go to a home without other cats or dogs. If you are able to take her, please contact Neil. His details are in the MUP Directory.



House To Rent – There is a 3 bedroom cottage in Heatherly Street available for rental. Rent is \$520 a week, and there are some furnishings available, eg fridge and freezer. Pets and children are welcome. It is in a quiet street, and would suit a couple or young family. If interested, phone Patsy on 021 207 5307.

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 11 th June
Greeters	M Raitaukala, M Wilson	J Dyas, L McAra
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	E Oates	M Freeman
Cups of Tea	N Aston, M Potter	M Smith, I McCoy
AV & Sound	D Russell / N Dunn	P Madsen / D Russell
Counters	B Wheeler	N Coffey



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



Sunday 4th June 2023

10am: "Combined Churches Service"

We welcome Gisborne Presbyterian Parish and St Davids.

Leading: Stewart Patrick Preaching: Rt Rev Hamish Galloway

Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

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Elders Team

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Paul Madsen: 027 511 4769

Movie "The Star" for kids in the Office Lounge.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and get a R.A.T. Test.

Mangapapa Church is humbly honoured to host a Combined Presbyterian Churches gathering for Worship this morning. We welcome:

- The 'Gisborne Presbyterian Parish' - St Andrews Church Gisborne and Matawhero Historic Church.
- St Davids Presbyterian Church – Kaiti
- Mangapapa Church Union Parish



For this special gathered worship occasion, it is appropriate that it happens to be 'Trinity Sunday' - a joyous celebration where Christians come together to honour the Holy Trinity - "the one and equal glory" of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, "in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being".

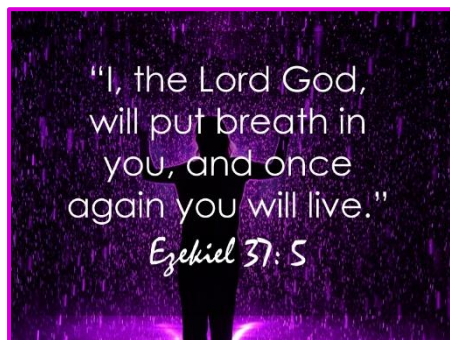
But there is an even further significance to these Parishes/churches gathering together today – On Tuesday afternoon the leaders of these 4 churches gathered for an intensive 'Conversation and Discernment' time, facilitated by Presbytery Mission Catalyst, Rev Stuart Simpson and Rob McIntosh from Wellington. We all shared our joys and sorrows, hopes and dreams. We are all operating with Lay Team leadership now and can see ways we can support each other. More discussion on this will follow.

Now, to 'top this all off' so to speak, the Moderator of Presbyterian Church of NZ, Rt Rev Hamish Galloway, has been with us since Thursday, to; encourage the churches after all the Cyclone difficulties. To listen to us, and to share with and encourage all Presbyterian Churches in Gisborne - Tairāwhiti, Te Karaka and Wairoa.



This morning Hamish shares a message to us all from Ezekiel 37:1-14 titled, 'Restoring The Soul'.

Hamish has served in ministry in a wide variety of contexts in NZ and overseas and currently is the minister of Cashmere Presbyterian Church in Christchurch. From 2011 – 2020, Hamish was senior pastor at Hope Presbyterian Church in Christchurch, which has become a leading church in the



city. The focussed theme for Hamish's 2 years as Moderator is, **'Encouraging the Church to steward resources wisely and effectively to empower the next generation of the Church.** "Hangaa e te Atua he whakapaparanga mo nga wa e heke mai nei - Build O God a generation for the times that are coming."

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.



For Prayer this Week:

- **Pray for the 'New Church Leader' position** - applications are currently being sought.
- **Te Karaka St John's Church folk** – We have been able to gift 5 families a further \$1,000 (\$200 each) in fuel cards, from our MUP Cyclone Relief Donation Fund. We have also been able to give

this week, a large amount of household items and bedding from our donated 'TOSS Garage Sale' goods. We pray for them as they are at a time of big decisions and change, with some moving into the 'Temporary Cabin Village' accommodation on the old TK Primary School paddock.



TK Church - Rev Rawinia Douglas, son Wayne & Rt Rev Hamish Galloway

- **Pray for Ken & Alison McFarlane, Myanmar** – Commencing their next semester of training Medical Students in Shan State, Myanmar. This with Partners Relief & Development.



MUP Volunteers at Waikirikiri School – A 'Te Hahi' Initiative



There are several things that are ongoing or have just been held, connected with Te Hahi. Last week there was the Prayer and training seminar held by Sandra Sellmers-Kersten at Alive Church. Five people from MUP attended: Elaine Oates, Derek Erasmus, Anna Alder, Nicola Hawkins and Erin Holwill.

We also have 4 of our members who, along with members from other churches, go to Waikirikiri School one or two days a week to work with students, usually in class. There they do a wide range of activities and tasks, depending on the need on the day. It may be reading to or listening to a child read, helping them cook something, or teaching them to knit. Our 4 are: Anna Alder, Nona Aston, Isla McCoy and Erin Holwill. The feedback from the school and the teachers is very positive, the children love having them in the classrooms and there are some interesting conversations and interactions such as the little girl, fascinated with Anna's hair. There is always room for more people to be involved so if you want to offer let Paul know. (Note you must be police checked as part of this.)



The next Hymn-Sing-a-Long will be held on this Friday 9th June, 10am at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's home. All welcome.