10am Hymn-A-Long



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

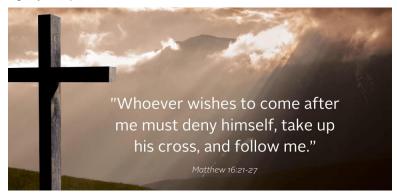
**'Prayer Chain'** – Any matters requiring confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

<u>Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study</u> – Commencing again this Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> January. Meeting at 1.30pm in the Church House. Everyone welcome. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

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

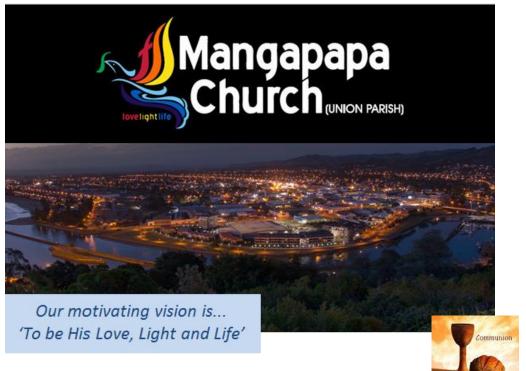
<u>Thursday</u> 'Womens <u>Breakfast</u>' – Has started up again. Meets at 7am on Thursdays in the Church House for Breakfast. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Recommencing on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Meets fortnightly at 1pm in the Church House.



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 12 <sup>th</sup> February
Greeters	J Phin, Y White	J Dyas, L McAra
Explorers Crèche	Parents	R Theobald
Ministry Team	A Clement	M Freeman
Cups of Tea	N Coffey, M Smith	D McLean, W Carstens
Flowers	A Lewis	G Sharp
AV & Sound	D Russell / R Levy	R Nelson / S Patrick
Counters	G Stevenson	A Radcliffe



Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

10am: "Follow Me"

*Matthew 4:18-22* With Communion

Leading: Elaine Oates

Preaching: Paul Madsen

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## **Elders Team**

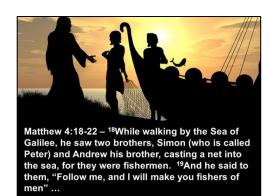
Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863-2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949 Paul Madsen: 027 511 4769

There is a movie in the Blue Room for any kids who would like to watch it while Paul is giving the message.

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

## Paul Madsen shares the

message this morning from Mathew 4:18-22 – Then Jesus said to them, "Follow me." Actually Jesus said more than just "follow me" to Peter and Andrew, He said, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." But He said "follow me" to different people, in different ways. Each gospel has Him saying "follow me", and at times in the gospels He replies to those who have come to Him saying they wanted to



follow Him. Jesus made no excuses about the cost of following Him, nor did he try and sugar coat what it would be like. Today we look at some of the things Jesus said about following Him and how that holds as true today as 2,000 years ago.



**Stewart writes...** This morning Elaine in leading our Service, will be sharing something that she was lead to request of the Elders, particularly for this Service today. It will involve an opportunity for anointing prayer for any who desire it. Now the interesting point in mentioning this is that Elaine had requested this 10 days ago, before, and without knowing, that Frank last Sunday would include in his 'A Sense of Awe' message, James 5:14 – "Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord." Elders are pleased to offer this opportunity of anointing and laying on of hands in prayer today.



**Testimony Service' Sunday 12 February** – We now have 4 folk sharing testimony next Sunday, and one is a delightful testimony of something that happened in the Service last week. Thanks so much to the folk willing to share.

Serving on Rosters in 2023 – Morning Tea, Worship Singers, Greeters, AV & Sound, Sunday School leaders, Crèche, Ministry Team; We would love to have more folk available on these rosters so that the serving does not fall on the faithful few who fill the gaps many times. Dione is preparing now the next 3 month rosters for many of these above. If you can help or just want to know what is involved, please see or contact Dione at the Church Office.



**'HYMN-A-LONG'** – You are invited to this 'Hymn Sing Along', on **Friday 10**<sup>th</sup> **February, 10am,** to share a cuppa then sing some of your favourite hymns with 'Uncle Frank and his enthusiastic singers', in the church auditorium.



## For Prayer this Week: -

1) Mahi Paenga passed away on Wednesday aged 88. Mahi had been living at Ryman for some years, but previous to that had lived directly opposite the church in Atkinson Street. Mahi was very involved in the Maori



Anglican Church leadership most of her life, but in her senior years she loved her fellowship here at MUP with us. Mahi

took great care of our communion silver and the brass Cross on the Communion table, keeping them regularly polished. Mahi's funeral will be a big one, at Whangara Marae, 11am Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February.

**2) Joan Ball Funeral, Napier –** Some of our folk are travelling down for this on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February. We pray for their safe journey.

Our Church Gardens – Let's honor God with these around our property....

Any keen gardeners are invited to meet at the church on Friday morning 17<sup>th</sup> February for 2 hours of fun working together from 9.30am, stopping for a cuppa at 10.30 then home at 11.30am. If we find this enjoyable, we could continue at 6 weekly intervals? See Marilyn if you are interested. Perhaps there is someone who cannot garden, but would love to make those working a cuppa?





<u>Calendars</u> – Featuring local artists' works, in aid of Cancer Society. \$20 each. See or Ph Angela Paton, 021 216 8446.

**Accommodation Wanted** - A Christian family living up the East Coast is looking for accommodation/board for their 2 children for this year, as it takes them 2 hours to get to Gisborne. One is 25 years old and will be working for Farmers Transport, and the other is 20 years old and starting a course at EIT on 7<sup>th</sup> February. Both are described as responsible, honest young people who need help to get ahead. Renting is way too expensive and they wouldn't be earning enough to pay for it. They may have an opportunity to get a caravan, so even a section with a bit of room to park it and being able to hook into power would be appreciated. If you know of anything, please contact the office.



**Foodbank** – The demand on our food bank has increased and we are low on the following items: rice, sugar, canned peas, pasta sauce, washing powder, dishwashing liquid, toothpaste, soap, 2 minute noodles, coffee, soup, tuna/salmon, crackers, muesli bars, biscuits.