## Dates to Remember

Thursdays
Fridays
Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Nov
Fri 21st Nov
Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Nov
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Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Dec

Tam MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
9:30am-11.30am Parent & Toddler Play Group
5.30pm Te Hahi Picnic here at MUP on grassed area
10:30 Missions Group Meeting (10:15 for a cuppa)
10am Missions Service with Guest Speaker
6:30pm Prayer Service at MUP
Final TOSS Garage sale for the year



**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> – Meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30am, currently at Noel Dunn's place. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

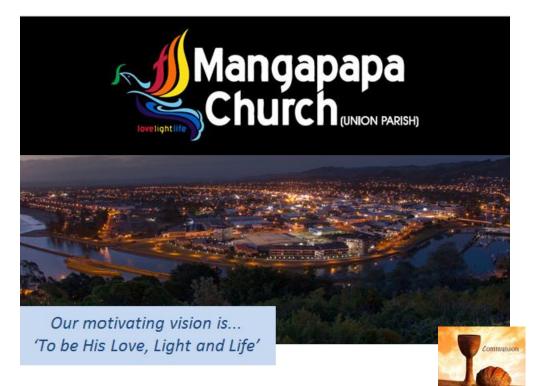
**'Womens Lunch Study Group'** – Fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 20<sup>th</sup> November. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean's. Next meeting will be 20<sup>th</sup> November. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

"It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness." - Charles Spurgeon

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 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Greeters	M Raitaukala, M Wilson	J & L Hawksworth
Ministry Team	D Russell	A Clement
Cups of Tea	J Dyas, N Aston, Volunteer	D McLean, A Tyler
AV & Sound	R Nelson / S Patrick	D Russell / S Patrick
Counters	H van Wijk	A Radcliffe



Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025

10am: "Imitating Christ"

With Communion

Leading: Shane Roche Preaching: Shane Roche

**Duty Elder: Andrew Russell** 

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## **Elders Team**

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Kidzspace (4-8yrs) go out with Marilyn Patrick this morning. Matrix (9-14yrs) go out with John Hill.

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

## Shane shares the message this morning. He writes ...

## **Imitating Christ**

If you've been a Christian for a while, you've probably heard it said that we should "imitate Christ." It's a deeply biblical and important part of what our faith is all about. The Cambridge Dictionary defines "imitate" as "to copy someone's speech or behaviour, or to copy something as a model." But let's be honest - to copy Christ seems like an almost impossible task. How does little ol', broken, imperfect me ever hope to look anything like Him?

This Sunday, we'll explore that challenge and discover how we can grow together on the journey of becoming more like Christ.



Key Scriptures: John 13:1-17; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Ephesians 5:1-2; Philippians 2:5-8: Romans 8:29: Colossians 3:12-14



**Ruel Philippines Box** – Thank you so much for the donations of items for the box for Ruel. It's now full, packed, and waiting for transportation to Auckland for shipping to the Philippines. I know they will be so delighted to receive it.

Anaela 😊



**Te Hahi Awhi Baskets** – If you still wish to donate towards these Christmas Hampers, details are on the church noticeboard at the back. Any donations will be included in your MUP end of year tax receipt. Cut-off for donations is 14th November.

**AV/sound desk people** - We are looking for people who would like to serve either on the AV or sound desk. These are not complicated jobs and training is available.



**Foodbank** – Our current foodbank needs are:

biscuits, UHT milk, milo/hot chocolate, tuna/salmon, dishwash liquid, washing powder, empty 6-pack egg cartons.





Parent & Toddlers Play Group **Every Friday morning** 9.30am-11.30am

See Ann Rolfe for more details



Te Hahi Combined Churches Picnic -**Te Hāhi** 5.30pm Sunday 16th November – This month we are hosting the Te Hahi combined churches service

here at MUP, commencing with a picnic on the lawn (providing the weather is cooperative ©). Meat is provided, so if you're coming along bring a salad or veggie dish, and a dessert, and come join in a meal together and get to know our wider christian family. Everyone welcome.



The Missions Group's next meeting is on Friday 21st November at 10.30am, in the Church house. Come at 10.15am if you'd like a cuppa.



**Missions Service** – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November We are blessed to have a guest speaker - Pauline Curtis-Smith, CEO of the Ruel Foundation - come and share with us at our Missions Service this month. The Ruel Foundation runs the orphanages in the Philippines that Angela & John Paton visit, and that Angela organises the boxes of clothes and items for.