

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays 16-18 Jun	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office 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 18 th June
Greeters	J Dyas, L McAra	J Phin, A Clement
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	M Freeman	S Clement
Cups of Tea	M Smith, I McCoy	I McCoy, N Coffey
AV & Sound	P Madsen / D Russell	D Rusell / A Russell
Counters	N Coffey	N Coffey

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

Sunday 11th June 2023

10am: "A Call To Pray"

Matthew 9:37-38

Leading: Angela Paton Preaching: Stewart Patrick

Duty Elder: Paul Madsen

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Elders Team

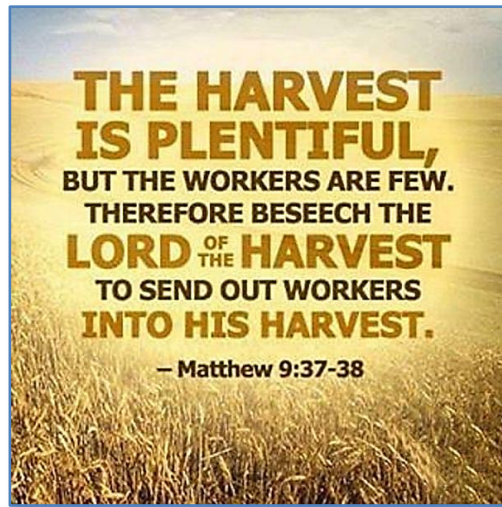
Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863-2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949
Paul Madsen: 027 511 4769

Kids can go out with Anna Alder and Raewyn Theobald for Kids Programme.

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

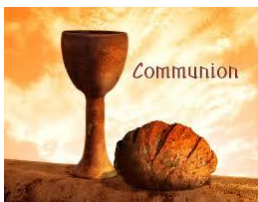
'A Call To Pray'

Stewart's message theme this morning comes out of our MUP Leadership Team spending valuable time in discussion and discernment, with Rt Rev Hamish Galloway – Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand, last week. This theme 'A Call to Pray', was also confirmed by the two other significant events of the week – the 3 Gisborne -Tairāwhiti Presbyterian Parishes gathering for discerning the future, and the Combined Parishes Service we hosted here last Sunday.



Stewart writes... Thank you everyone who contributed to a wonderful 'Combined Presbyterian Churches Service here at MUP last Sunday. Thank you 'Worship Team' – superb leading us in song and worship. Thank you Hospitality servants in the kitchen and on the door, welcoming our visitors. There was great feedback and I am hearing through the grapevine, that folk from all 3 Parishes want to have more 'Combined Services' like that one. **Moderator, Rt Rev Hamish Galloway loved his time here** and sent us a very appreciative and encouraging 'thank you' this week. He says, *"(there is) such a good feel there (MUP). I had heard that from others and it was good to see it for myself."*

New opportunity for Corporate Intercessory Prayer – 7am Thursday mornings @ the MUP Church Office. Further to my 'Call To Pray' message this morning, I am pleased to advise that we have a new Prayer Meeting commencing on **Thursday mornings; 7am to 7:45am**. We have different groups praying during the day, but this is an opportunity for those who could pray before heading to work or the 'early risers'. Paul Madsen will be there before he starts his work in the office at 8am. Stewart and Marilyn will be there too. Please come and join us if that time suits you too. **Our special Prayer call at this time, is Matthew 9:37-38; Prayer to the Lord for a new Church Leader.**



Elders Al Clement and Paul Madsen – authorised to administer the sacraments. Leadership Team are pleased to advise Al and Paul have received this authorisation from Presbytery. This is important to us as we operate as a Team Leadership, and with myself heading away in July to 12th September, we need these Elders to be able to lead in this way.



For Prayer this Week:

- **Pray for the 'New Church Leader' position** - applications are currently being sought.
- **Pray for our MUP Flood affected folk, Wairoa and Te Karaka St John's Church folk – 'Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 Decisions'.** All home owners will have been informed in this past week by Government, as to what the future plan is for their stickered home. Some are relieved that the Government will buy out their Level 3 home. Now their challenge is to find and purchase a new home. Others in Level 2 homes will be still working through what needs to be done now to repair and protect their home/property from future flooding? We have church members in both Level 3 and Level 2 situations.
- **Pray for our MUP Volunteers helping students at Waikirikiri School – Anna Alder, Nona Aston, Isla McCoy and Erin Holwill.** This being the 'Te Hahi' initiative that Paul wrote about in last weeks Newsletter.



CBA's Grey Areas – A podcast by Christian Broadcasting Association (CBA) about ageing with grace, '**Grey Areas with Petra Bagust**' has just won **Best Entertainment Podcast – Seasonal** at the New Zealand Radio Awards. It's great that our secular media has recognised a quality product that has a positive impact on our world and communicates something of the heart of God. Congratulations Petra Bagust and CBA.



Two Volunteer Cooks - Te Hahi has need of two volunteer cooks for a couple of hours on a Friday morning. Te Hahi is assisting Atawhai Trust who run a mentoring programme involving physical education and collaborative learning on Friday mornings before school for intermediate aged children. The programme has mentors from the police, armed services, fire services, amongst others. Te Hahi is asked to help prepare the breakfast – things like; toast, spaghetti, eggs, hash browns, and then clean the pots and pans. Children clean their own plates. Start at 6am, finish about 8am. Only in school terms and approx once every 4 or 5 weeks. Volunteers will need to be police vetted. See Paul if you are interested.



Foodbank – Thank you to those who continue to donate to our foodbank. If you would like to donate to this, we are currently low on the following items: flour, sugar, canned peas, pasta sauce, rice, washing powder, dishwashing liquid, toothpaste, soap, 2 minute noodles, coffee, milo, soup, tuna/salmon, muesli bars, biscuits, toilet paper.

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.