### Dates to Remember

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Nov

5.30pm Te Hahi Combined Church Meeting. Dinner to start



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> – Meets at 1.30pm on Tuesdays in the Church House. Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

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

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

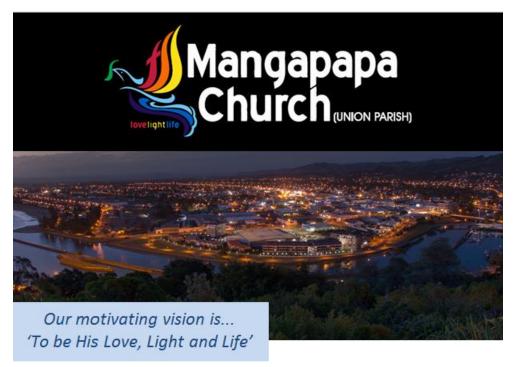
**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House.



'Christmas Nativity Creations' - As a church we would like to invite you as an individual, as a family or as a home group, to create a Christmas nativity scene, to display in the church for all of December. On the event of our Christmas Carol event before Christmas, we will invite the public in to view. Let's share the 'Good News' this Christmas. Pictured as an example, is one of the displays from a similar event @ MUP 20yrs ago!

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 23 <sup>rd</sup> October
Greeters	M Wilson, N Aston	A Clement, I McCoy
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	S Clement	A Clement
Cups of Tea	M Freeman, N Coffey	D McLean, J Dyas
Flowers	A Lewis	G Sharp
AV & Sound	R Nelson , N Dunn	R Nelson, J Russell
Counters	B Wheeler	G Stevenson



Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022

10am: "Jesus - Our Lighthouse in the Storm"
An 'all-ages' Family Service

2 Timothy 3:14-17

Leading: Angela Paton Preaching: Stewart Patrick

**Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick** 

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#### **Elders Team**

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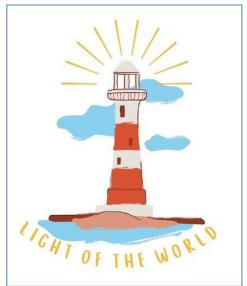
All kids stay in church today, there are activities – Explorers, Kidzspace and Matrix

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

# Stewart shares with us this morning. He writes ... 'Jesus - Our Lighthouse in the

Storm' – For our all-ages Family Service today, we have some inspiring fun for the younger ones with the theme of 'The Lighthouse', and they will actually be making one that lights up for their bedroom. Although the word 'Lighthouse' is not used in the Bible, all through it is full of references to 'Light' and banishing of 'darkness'. Our Lectionary Scripture reading & text for my message today is a stirring call to remain in the Light of Christ as revealed in Scripture, and I will be sharing on this; 2 Timothy 3:12-17 (MSG). "Anvone who wants to live all out for

Christ is in for a lot of trouble: there's no



getting around it. (13) Unscrupulous con men will continue to exploit the faith. They're as deceived as the people they lead astray. As long as they are out there, things can only get worse. (14) But don't let it faze you. Stick with what you learned and believed, sure of the integrity of your teachers-- (15) why, you took in the sacred Scriptures with your mother's milk! There's nothing like the written Word of God for showing you the way to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. (16) Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another--showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. (17) Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us."

## Images from the Church 'Working Bee' last Saturday





sign border & the carpark wall cross painted.

A 'Jesus mosaic' uncovered in the garden! Thank you everyone who came along to garden, paint, water-blast, clean windows, clean auditorium chairs, clear spoutings, door repairs etc.

House to Rent: For about a month over Christmas, from 16<sup>th</sup> December to 4<sup>th</sup> January. For a young couple with a 2 year old. Please contact Lyn Hawksworth if you know of anything.

House to House Sit – If you know of anyone going away for Christmas who would like someone to house sit, Dione Russell is looking for a house for extended family to stay in when they visit from 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> December. Please contact Dione if you know of anything.

For Prayer & Praise this week: -. With great sadness we are mourning the peaceful passing away of MUP member & former Elder, Kelvin Tyler, on Wednesday afternoon. Kelvin's funeral will be held @ Evans, 2:00pm on Saturday & officiated by Bruce Mounsey. Evans venue chosen as a quality 'Livestream' is required for several folk who cannot attend. The afternoon tea following the Service is back here @ MUP. Our prayers & thoughts go out to Avery & family – Cherie,



Craig & Rachelle. Kelvin, with Avery, established the superb 'Sun City Pharmacy' in Gisborne and were incredibly supportive of all Christian witness in this region and in mission overseas.

After a week of patient waiting, **Andrew Russell** was flown to Waikato Hospital on Tuesday, with Dione in support too. We are praying he gets exactly the treatment necessary to bring him back to his family, School & Church where he is so appreciated

**Pray for our folk going through major life changes –** Without sharing details, we are aware of several MUP folk who are going through/working through the grief of difficult circumstances and life/family changes. **We are praying for you!** 

School Holiday fun & new experiences – Issac Mountfort went fishing for the first time this week with Stewart & Marilyn, and proudly landed his first fish! Issac, always remember - Jesus loves fishing! He taught 'Peter the Fisherman', how to really fish! "Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!" says Jesus.



### **Te Hahi Christmas Hampers**

In conjunction with the Police Whangaia Unit, Te Hahi will be putting together food baskets for families in need this

Christmas. If you wish to give to this over the next few weeks, please put any food items in the regular collection basket.