Dates to Remember

Fri 10th Mar

10am Hymn-A-Long at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's



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 Tuesdays 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.

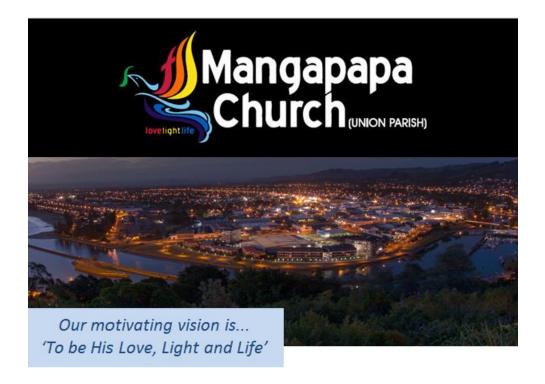
<u>Thursday</u> '<u>Womens Breakfast</u>' – Meets at 7am on Thursdays in the Church House for Breakfast. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting is due 23rd February.



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 26 th February
Greeters	I McCoy, M Wilson	J & L Hawksworth
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	E Oates	S Clement
Cups of Tea	N Aston, M Potter	A Alder, L Hindle
AV & Sound	P Madsen / N Dunn	R Nelson / R Levy
Counters	A Radcliffe	N Coffey



Sunday 19th February 2023

10am: "Beauty For Ashes"

Isaiah 61:1-3

Leading: Sal Clement Preaching: Diane McLean

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'Explorers' creche is available for 1-4 years. Parents will need to stay and supervise. Primary & Intermediate age children go out during the message.

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

Diane McLean shares the message with us this morning, from Isaiah 61.

Stewart writes... What a week it has been. Cyclone Gabrielle was frightening as it came through and it has proved devastating in the destruction which is still being revealed at the time of writing. With communication so difficult, and actually impossible in many cases, we



are being very flexible with the shape of our 10am Service this morning. We will commence with Morning Tea and time to chat together, we will share thoughts, hear your stories and your requests for prayer. There will be White Boards in the auditorium where you can write up Prayer Requests. We will pray corporately and yes, we will sing and worship and will hear a special message of encouragement from Diane, and all encourage one another.

Wairoa St Andrews Church has an excellent kitchen and hall facility, and has been used as a Civil Defence gathering place for folk this past week, but we don't know yet how folk from St Andrews Church have fared in this flood.

St Johns Church Te Karaka - The folk there will have had a torrid time this week. I am scheduled to lead their Service next Sunday, but that will be very doubtful?

Bore Water is available – Mike Tombleson, at 119 Main Road, Makaraka, has really good water from his bore, though boiling would be recommended for drinking. Others may have Tank water they can make available for filling 20 litre containers, if the town supply runs short?

Testimonies' Recording from last Sunday – We do not post testimony recordings from Sunday Services online, however if you wish to hear what was shared by Avery, Laraine, Neil and Anne last Sunday, you can obtain a recording from Dione at the Church Office. Bring with you a USB stick we can transfer the mp3 recording onto, or a CD recording will be available to borrow.

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

For Prayer this Week: In Our Service today and this week we pray for those hit hard by Cyclone Gabriel this week – Our church folk (in particular, John & Lyn Hawksworth whose home has been severely flooded, and other rural folk whom we have not been able to contact). Home owners/residents, farmers, croppers, orchardists and all forms of industry in our region. There is not one of

us unaffected by this traumatic event. We also pray for those working long hours in all forms of recovery. It truly is exhausting for these folk.



'Hymn Sing-A-Long' - Last Friday, 10th February, twelve enthusiastic hymn singers met together for a cuppa and then to sing some of their favourites. At the same time, they learnt about why various hymns were

written, and

many other interesting stories. The group will meet on the second Friday morning of the month, with the next one being on Friday 10th March at 10am, this time at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's home, 39b Massey Road. If you have a favourite hymn and would like to come to this next gathering, please let Marilyn or Frank know.





Foodbank – Thank you for your giving to this vital ministry. Our stores are slowly building up again, but we could do with more of the following items: tuna/salmon, canned corn, canned peas/veges, canned soup, canned spaghetti, fruit salad, milo or drinking chocolate, 2 min noodles, muesli bars, biscuits, jams/spreads.



Toilets – At time of writing, there has been a total ban on water put in place. Therefore we ask that you do not use the toilets today unless **ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY**. If you do use them, please do not flush as we have contingencies in place to flush them with other water.