#### Dates to Remember

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> April Fri 21 April 3am Daylight Saving finishes (put clocks back 1 hour)
10am Hymn Sing-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 'Womens Breakfast'</u> – Currently on hold. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting is due 6<sup>th</sup> April March.



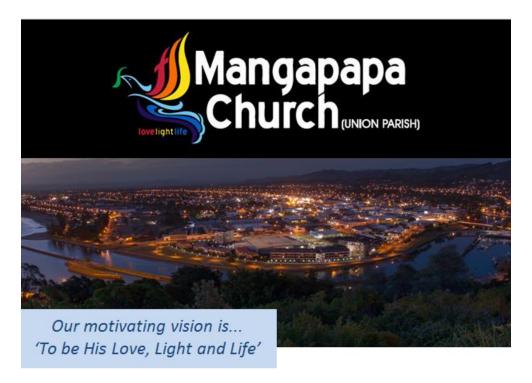
**Foodbank** – If you are wanting to know what to give to the Foodbank, we are currently low on the following items: rice, sugar, washing powder, dishwashing liquid, soup, tuna/salmon, crackers, muesli bars, biscuits, packets of mashed potato, porridge oats, canned fruit and rubbish stickers.

**Bore Water Is Available** – Just a reminder that Mike Tombleson @ 119 Main Road, Makaraka, has really good water from his bore, though boiling would be recommended for drinking. Rodney & Val Judd, and Bill & Jody Wheeler have said that they have tank water available for anyone needing drinking water.

**Daylight Saving Finishes Next Week** – Just a reminder to turn your clocks back 1 hour next weekend (2<sup>nd</sup> April) – unless you want to be the first person at church. ☺

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 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Greeters	L McAra, J Dyas	l McCoy, J Phin
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	S Clement	A Clement
Cups of Tea	N Aston, M Potter	N Coffey, L Hindle
AV & Sound	D Russell / A Russell	R Nelson / N Dunn
Counters	G Stevenson	A Radcliffe



Sunday 26th March 2023

10am: "Divine Judgment"

Luke 19:42

Leading: Angela Paton Preaching: Frank Darcy

**Duty Elder: Al Clement** 

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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

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

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

### Frank Darcy shares the Message this morning. He writes ...

"It is surely remarkable that, at the very moment Jesus warned the city of judgment, he was weeping over it in love. Divine judgment (which is the main theme throughout Holy Week) is a solemn, awesome reality. But the God who judges is the God who weeps. He is not willing that any should perish. And when in the end his judgment falls on anybody (as Jesus said it will), God's eyes will be full of tears." – John Stott

Luke 19:41-42 As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, "If you, even you, had only known this day what would bring you peace, but now it is hidden from your eyes."



**Stewart writes...** The Cyclone and flooding effects are ongoing, and recovery is slow. We all know that and we are all feeling it in varying degrees. This week we made application to a fund on behalf of the Te Karaka St John's Church folk who have lost so much. As I was doing that, news came through from **St Davids Presbyterian Church, Carterton**, that they are giving \$1,500 to our MUP Flood Relief Fund, and that they are praying for us. Then at the same time a retired Minister and his wife emailed me to say they were giving \$500 and that many folk pray for us. And this morning an email came from the Methodist Synod to say that they were giving us \$2,000 to support the flood relief work. How encouraging is that! I am out at Te Karaka leading the St John's Service being held in the T.K. Area School Civil Defence Rooms. I have a specific gift for one person out there, that comes from one of you at MUP. That's very thoughtful. I can also advise St Johns folk, that there is more help coming for them.

On behalf of MUP Leadership Team, I want to acknowledge the awesome 'extra work' that our MUP staff, Paul Madsen and Dione Russell are doing resulting from the Cyclone flooding and relief work. It is many hours, particularly for Paul, who is keeping folk up to date with resources becoming available, chairing the MUP Flood Relief Fund group and making pastoral connections.

Our Mangapapa Church web homepage <a href="mup.org.nz">mup.org.nz</a> has been updated and kept up to date with 'Resources For Those Affected By The Flooding'. At present this gives links to Insurance advice and Free Counselling.



## Plants Sale for RUEL Philippines Orphanage

We will be holding another Plant Sale Stall for the public soon, to raise money for the RUEL Orphanage that Angela & John Paton have been to and worked at on many occasions. If you have any plants that could be added to the sale, please see Marilyn.



**The next Hymn-Sing-a-Long** – will be held on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April, 10am at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's home. All welcome.

#### Te Wiremu Lifecare Church Services

Thank you to everyone who put their hand up to take one of these services, it is greatly appreciated. All the slots have been filled now.

# For Prayer & Praise this Week: We continue to pray for those hit hard by Cyclone Gabrielle.



- Pray for the 'HOPE FOR ALL' booklet distribution going to all the letterboxes of homes in our region that will receive it.
- Congratulations to Elsie Craw who turned 94 on Thursday. Elsie has been in Leighton House for approximately 9 years.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL Term 2 - Commencing 24<sup>th</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> June

We are looking for just 1 more suitable person to go on the Roster once every 3 weeks, to teach the 5-8 years group in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Term. If you think this is you, please see Marilyn Patrick. Raewyn Theobald says she is really enjoying leading the 9-13 years group, and shares these pics with us from last week's fun ...







Church Directory – Today is the last Sunday that our draft 2023 Church Directory will be available for you to check or edit your details before we print the new one. There are two copies on the table in the church foyer, along with two pens. Please check your details and 'tick' if correct, or write in the correct details if they are wrong. If you want to update your photo, let Dione know, or email your new one to the office. If you are not in the Directory,

and would like to be, write your details in the spaces provided at the back.