Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
TODAY	10am Missions Service & speaker Pauline Curtis-Smith
TONIGHT	5.30pm Te Hahi Combined Churches Service @ MUP
Thurs 3rd Dec	8.30am-12noon Special Xmas TOSS Garage Sale
Sun 6th Dec	4pm Christmas Parade (Participants meet 3pm @ Grey St)
Sun 13th Dec	10am Carols Service
Tues 15th Dec	8.30am Packing the Awhi Baskets @ HOB
Sun 20th Dec	10am Child-Led Christmas Nativity Service
Fri 25th Dec	9.30am Christmas Day Service



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 on Mondays in the church house. See Elaine Oates for more info.

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study – Meets weekly at 1.30pm in the Church House (but not in school holidays). Contact Judy McLatchie for more info.

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

'Womens Lunch Study Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting 10th December. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean's. Next meeting 10th December. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

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 6th December
Greeters	2 x Volunteers	M Raitaukala, I McCoy
Ministry Team	A Russell	D Russell
Cups of Tea	N Aston, L Hindle	A Dehne-Walker, J McLatchie
AV & Sound	R Nelson / D Russell	Z Cowley / J Holland
Counters	N Coffey	A Radcliffe





Sunday 29th November 2026

10am: "Missions Service"

Leading: Rachal McIntyre

Guest Speaker: Pauline Curtis-Smith from Ruel Foundation

Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

Church Leader: Shane Roche **E-mail**: shane@mup.org.nz

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A Russell: 027 815 1635 Clement: 027 855 5949

Kidzspace & Matrix – All join together with Ali Roche for Nativity practice

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

This morning we welcome our Guest Speaker, Pauline Curtis Smith – CEO of the 'RUEL Foundation', and her husband Warren. MUP Church has had a long association with RUEL, through its work with Children's Homes in the Philippines, and Child Surgeries in the Pacific Islands. John & Angela Paton have been to the Philippines on many occasions to serve in the Children's Home at Calapan, while John, Lyn and Margot Hawksworth, have fundraised for many cleft Palate Child surgeries over many years. Pauline has a gift of connecting peoples' need to creative solutions through this mission. Her stories will inspire us all.





Combined Churches Service – Tonight we are hosting the final Te Hahi Combined Churches service for the year, here at MUP, with the guest speaker being ***Dave Mann from Hope Project***. We will commence with dinner at 5.30pm, so please come along and bring a salad or vege dish, and a dessert, to contribute to the dinner. Meat and drinks are provided. Let's welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ, and enjoy the evening worshipping with them.



Christmas Parade – 4pm 6th December. We are planning to put a float in the Christmas parade, to remind people of the true meaning of Christmas. *(MUP Christmas Float participants gather at 3pm, CBD Grey Street)*

Christmas Parade Helpers Meeting: Those interested please meet in the Blue Room on ***Thursday December 3rd at 6.30pm***, to prepare, paint banners and gather costumes. See Raewyn for details.



Prayer This Week:

- Pray for Ken and Alison McFarlane - Ken as he continues to work 6hrs/day teaching online the Medic students in Myanmar, and that the equipment providing internet remains functional. And for Alison as she works for Ngati Porou Health 4 days per week for the coming month.
- Please continue to pray for Lyn Hawksworth, Jean, Gill, Noel and Christine, and for their recoveries.
- Pray for the Christmas Float – for Raewyn and the helpers making it; and that it would be a good witness of why we celebrate Christmas.

Work has finished on the new seating, hand rail, and repairing of rotten boards on the deck. All in time to enjoy them at the Te Hahi Combined Service dinner! The materials and work were donated by persons who wish to remain anonymous, but we want to say a big, "Thank You!" to them, and that we appreciate the generosity and hard work that went into this project.





Special Xmas TOSS: 8.30am-12pm Thursday 3rd December
If you halve your excess Christmas decorations then we would love to give others an opportunity to buy them for a minimal price. Drop them into the office weekday mornings.





Packing of the Awhi Baskets – This will be on ***Tuesday 15th December*** at House of Breakthrough. If you are interested in helping out with packing these, head down to HOB at 8.30am.



Christmas Services coming up:

- **10am Sunday 13th December** – 'Christmas Carols Service'
- **10am Sunday 20th December** – 'Christmas Nativity Child-Led Service'
- **9:30am Friday 25th December** – 'Christmas Day Service' This will be a shorter 45 min service.



Christmas Day Meal For Those On Their Own
If you are going to be on your own and would love to join others for Christmas lunch, then please let the office know.



Foodbank – Current needs are:
Any Christmas items or celebratory food that can be put in a parcel to make it a bit more special.