

Dates to Remember	
Wednesday	12.30pm 'Praise' service - No Vaccine Pass required
15 <sup>th</sup> April	Good Friday Service
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Sunday 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.

**Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** – Postponed until further notice. Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

**Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast'** - Postponed until further notice.

**Thursday 'Womens Breakfast'** – Will be meeting 7am this Thursday (7<sup>th</sup> April) in the Church House. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

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

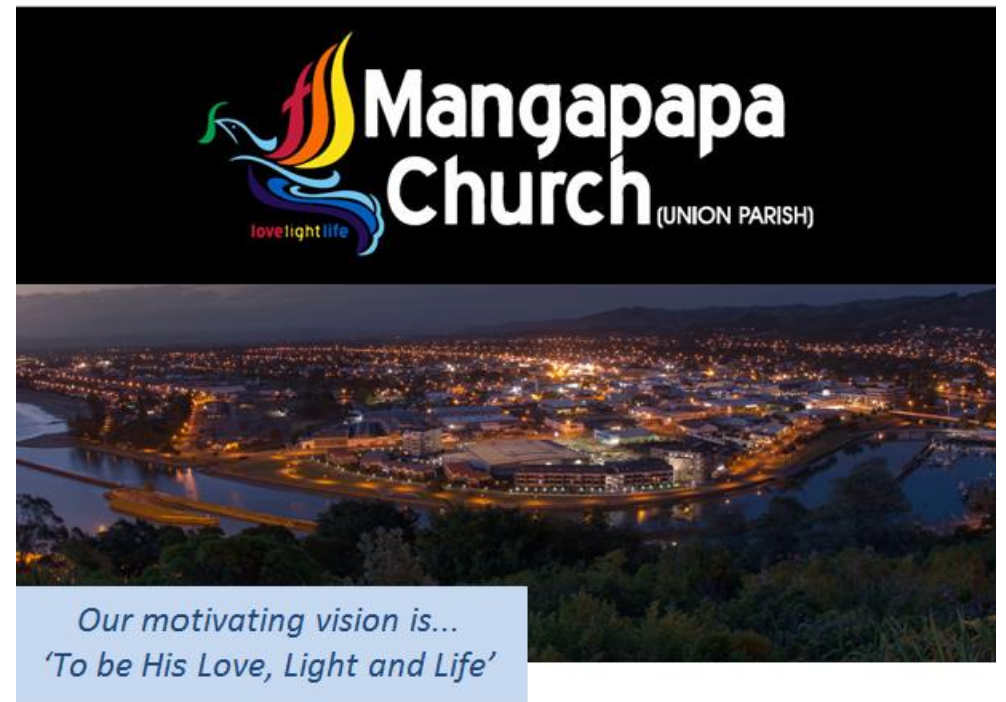
**Easter Morning Tea** – If the weather is fine, we will be serving morning tea outside on the deck, on Easter Sunday.

**Kid's Programmes** – Explorers and Kidzspace/Matrix will recommence again after the school holidays.

**Statistic Counters** – We are in need of some more people to join the roster as Statistic Counters. This involves counting the adults and children in attendance on a Sunday and noting it down on the form provided. It takes about 5 mins at the beginning of the message. If you are keen to serve in this way, please contact the office.

**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 10 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Greeters</b>	A Clement, J Phin	M Raitaukala, N Aston
<b>Explorers Crèche</b>	No Explorers	No Explorers
<b>Ministry Team</b>	A Clement	S Clement
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	No Morning Tea	No Morning Tea
<b>Flowers</b>		D Dobbie
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	D Russell / A Russell	R Nelson / N Dunn
<b>Counters</b>	No Counters	B Wheeler



**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022**

**10am: "Praise The Lord! – A Brief Testimony"**

*John 15:16*

**Leading: Leigh McGurk**

**Preaching: John Hill**

**Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick**

**Church Office:** Dione Russell **06 867-9604** **9am – 12noon**

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**Elders Team**

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*No children's programmes today. These will recommence after the School Holidays.*

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, stay home and call your doctor or Healthline on 0800 358 5453 for advice about getting tested. By getting a test, you are helping keep your community safe.

## John Hill shares this morning. He writes ...

The words you are about to hear and read are true. They will change your life, if you let them. They come from the heart of God.

He loves you. He chose you. (John chapter 15 verse 16)

A brief testimony of what having Jesus in my life has done for me. Praise the Lord! Why? . . . Because He is worthy of all our praise and worship.



## Vaccine Passes Not Required From Monday – 'Vaccine Passes' will

go after this Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April, and so our Sunday Services as from next Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April, will be open to all again and the attendance cap removed. However, please note that **masks are still required** and your Leadership Team asks us all to **remain vigilant** in our decision making on whether we have Covid symptoms or been a close contact indoors with someone who has developed Covid in the past few days? If so, we should not attend that Sunday Service. Let's all continue to do our part to protect our senior folk and those immunocompromised at this time. **So from next Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> April, we will have seating for approx 120 in the auditorium, with some spacing between seats.** Our Livestreaming of Services will continue on after we open up the seating capacity, as this is appreciated by those who are unable to come.



The 10am service is live streamed. To access – at 10am 'Ctrl click' on the following Facebook link: [Mangapapa Union Parish](#)

## 'PRAISE' 12:30pm – 1.10pm, Wednesdays @ MUP

Our mid-week 'mixed gathering' was brought in to provide a meditative Service & Communion opportunity for all, and especially for those who could not come on Sundays. Now that need has lessened with the removal of the Vaccine Pass mandate, however we will continue meeting weekly through to Easter. We are following through this 40 day season of 'Lent' leading up to Easter, with the theme; '**Gathered Up In Jesus**'. After Easter 'PRAISE' will be reshaped, but more on that later.



## Hope Project Booklet Delivery

Again this Easter, MUP will join with thousands of volunteers in cities and towns throughout NZ, delivering the 'HOPE for All' booklet to home letterboxes in our wider Mangapapa area. We have 2 weeks to do it before Easter, so get out in the sun and enjoy the walk/bike ride! Thanks to Angela, Susan, James & Wendy, Stewart & Marilyn, who are delivering to 3 of the 6 areas – **We just need 5 or 6 more folk willing to deliver the booklets, in these 3 remaining 'block areas':**

- 1) Dalrymple Rd west to Winter St west, and north side of Ormond Rd.
- 2) Winter St west to Mary St, and north side of Ormond Rd.
- 3) Valley Rd from Howarth St through to Shelly Rd, and Massey Rd.

Please contact Stewart 021 047 0795 or [stewabide@gmail.com](mailto:stewabide@gmail.com) if you are able to help with this.

## For our Prayers this week – This week we are praying for and thinking of our Doctors, Nurses and Medical staff who are part of MUP.

These frontline medical people have had a tough time over the past 2 months, and most have caught Covid in the course of their work, but battled on, working from home. One I was speaking with this week said they had been working long hours, 7 days a week for several weeks now. At that time only one Doctor from that practice was available as all others were down with Covid. Two observations they made are worth noting;

- There is a huge amount of work going on, looking after people's welfare by all the healthcare and support staff in Gisborne and across the region. Pharmacists are delivering medicine all over town. Support Services, food and hygiene packages. And all this easing the pressure on hospitals.
- "N.Z. is very fortunate that this outbreak is not 'Delta'. That would have flattened us!" 'Omicron' came at the right time here to overtake 'Delta'.



## End Of Year Donation Receipts

These will be done over the next couple of weeks and emailed out to those who have given us their addresses. The receipts look different to those in the past, as we have updated the format to make them easier to upload to myIR when applying for your tax rebates. If you would prefer a printed copy, please contact the office.



Lynne Barker and David Duffy were married on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March. You look lovely, Lynne.