

Dates to Remember ...	
15-16 Nov	Men's Weekend
17 th Nov	Te Hahi Combined Service
17 th Nov	She Shed
20-21 Nov	Te Hahi Training Nights
27 th Nov	Women's Night Out



Church Office Hours: 9am -12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

'Prayer Chain' – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

Tuesday 'Prayer For the Nation'-11am–12noon in Church Prayer Room. For more info contact Janet Burgess.

Tuesday Bible Study – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church Prayer Room. For more info contact Maureen Wilson or Judy McLatchie.

Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast'- Meets at 6:45am - 7:50am in the Church House lounge. For more info contact Paul Cosson.

Thursday 'Womens Breakfast'- Meets at 7:00am – 8:30am in the Church House lounge. For more info contact Gretchen Norman or Amanda Lewis.

Friday 'Revival Prayer'– every Friday evening 6:30pm-7:30pm at Joy McHardy's home.

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.



Friday 15th Nov – "Treasure Hunt"

A Treasure Hunt by car. 7pm - 9pm.

Meet at the church and bring \$3.

See YG Facebook page for more details.



	Today	Next Sunday 17 th November
Greeters	H Hockey, M Wilson	J & L Hawksworth
Explorers Crèche	M Schnuriger	A Lawton
Matrix	R Levy	L Hindle
Ministry Team	J Newman	E Oates
Cups of Tea	P & A Walker, A Alder	S & M Patrick, M Smith
Flowers	G Sharp	G Sharp
AV & Sound	J Russell / P Walker	R Nelson / J Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



Sunday 10th November 2019

10am: 'The God Who Sees'

Leading: Rachal McIntyre

Preaching: Janice Langford

Duty Elder: Andrew Russell

6.30pm Evening Fellowship tonight

Church Leader: Paula Levy **Office** 06 867-9604 **Cell** 021 140-4667
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Elders Team

Andrew Russell: 027 815-1635 Rodney Judd 06 863-2400 Llew Paul: 022 052 8297

'Explorers' creche is operating and available for 1-4 years.

'Kidzspace' Primary age children go out at message time.

'Matrix' Intermediates are to go out during message time.

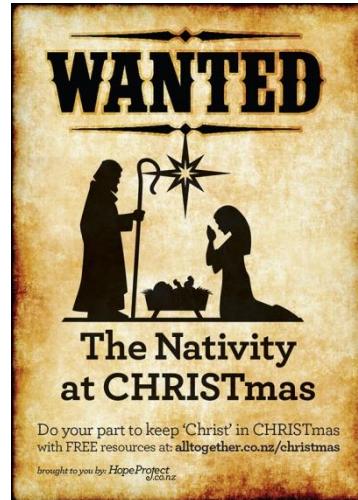
Paula writes...

Thanks to those who came to the youth Quiz night, some fierce competition and a lot of fun. Welcome back to Uni students who have finished their year already! Congratulations to several of our Senior Secondary students who have won awards and scholarships – well done! Prayers and courage for those heading into external exams this week. If you see one of these older Youth around, ask them how you can pray for them heading into this time.

This week it was a privilege to meet with other pastors in Gisborne, with Dave Mann who leads The Hope Project and Shining Lights Trust in New Zealand. This year in thinking to Christmas, their project is to encourage us to think of gentle and creative ways of returning the Christmas story to Christmas, through using the image of the Nativity scene. Why? He says:

“Christ has been all-but fully removed from CHRISTmas nationally, including on television, in print-media, Council decorations, shopfront windows, and even the inclusion of nativity-related lyrics in CHRISTmas carols in many shops and some public Christmas carol gatherings. Our nation has a rich Christian heritage which has gifted us many of our most treasured values. It defines us all more than most are aware. Celebrating Christmas is no threat. We are incredibly blessed. Let’s not forget, or be embarrassed by, who we are or where we came from!”

Our invitation is to be **intentional** about using **nativity-based** CHRISTmas themes in our areas of influence – as opposed to Santa, elves or jingle bells. This can be done in a number of simple ways: posters, nativity scenes on your lawn, Christmas cards or pictures on your window.



Let’s be creatively thinking how we could do this individually, in our families and as a church community on our lawn or building. Have a look at their website for ideas: <https://shininglights.co.nz/about/>

Remember too, to join us next Sunday evening for the Te Hahi combined service. It has been our privilege to hold the Te Hahi phone this week, and as I write, we have already had the privilege of visiting 6 homes with food and prayer, following referrals from the police. Please pray for these families that they will know a little of God’s love, and that they are not alone.

Blessings

Paula

Podcast of Leigh McGurk’s Message - Due to the sensitive nature of last week’s testimony/message, the podcast will not be available on the church website. If you wish to listen to Leigh’s message then you can bring a USB stick to the office and have it downloaded.

Volunteers for Housework and Meals – A member of our Church family is recovering from an operation and will be needing some help from next week. Anna Alder would like to organise a roster of volunteers willing to help out by doing housework, cooking some meals etc. If you can help with this, please let Anna know. You can catch her after the service, serving the morning tea.

Angel Tree Christmas 2019 – Bring Christmas to an Angel Tree child by buying them a present, or donating \$25 which will be used to purchase a present for them. The gift cards with the names and ages of the children to receive presents will be available in the next couple of weeks. See Raewyn Theobald for more information.

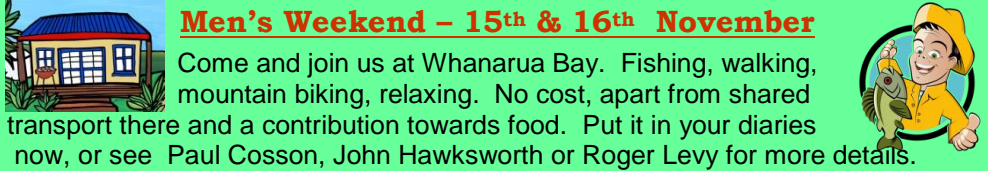


Te Hāhi Tairāwhiti The next Te Hahi Combined churches service is at 5pm on 17 November, at Alive Church, followed by a BBQ tea. Meat/drink/BBQ will be supplied by the Police but please bring a salad or vege dish and dessert to share. In addition to this, there will be an offering taken up for the food bank. Henare O’Keefe, from Flaxmere, is the guest speaker.



Men’s Weekend – 15th & 16th November

Come and join us at Whanarua Bay. Fishing, walking, mountain biking, relaxing. No cost, apart from shared transport there and a contribution towards food. Put it in your diaries now, or see Paul Cosson, John Hawksworth or Roger Levy for more details.



Women’s Night Out!
Wednesday 27th November
7pm at Peppers Restaurant.
Ladies, we would love to see you there, so don’t forget to RSVP.

Foodbank – There has been a huge demand on the foodbank this last week, with 12 parcels being given out in 6 days, mostly to large families. Thank you so much for your generous giving – it is very much needed and appreciated.

A night out for women.....

Dessert at Pepper’s Beachfront Restaurant & Bar

Wednesday, Nov 27, 7pm



\$15 per person
(Includes a Dessert and hot drink)

RSVP on list or to Nicola on 863 2580 / 022 131 9171
by November 20th