

Dates to Remember	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	12.30pm 'Praise' service - No Vaccine Pass required Paula's Thank You/Farewell 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 Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

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

**Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast'** - Has recommenced. Meets at 6.45am in the Church House for breakfast. Contact Paul Cosson for more info.

**Thursday 'Womens Breakfast'** – Has recommenced. Meets at 7am in the Church House for breakfast. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Will resume on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 1pm in the Church House. Contact is Nicola Hawkins.

**All Small/Home Groups - Please remember all MUP Small Groups, gatherings and meetings need to adhere to the Covid 19 Health protocols. Signing in, masks, one metre spacing, well ventilated area and hygiene care.**

### Operating Under The Traffic Light System – 'RED' Level

- Signing In/Scanning In is required at all Services/gatherings/groups @ MUP.
- Vaccine Passes need to be shown for Services/gatherings that require them.
- People to be seated 1 metre apart at all gatherings unless part of the same 'bubble'. If you move your seat to sit next to your spouse/family, please move it back to the original position after the Service.
- Maximum of 25 people at 'Without Vax Pass' gatherings and 100 at 'With Vax Pass' gatherings.
- Masks need to be worn by everyone at all services and group meetings.

**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 20 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Greeters</b>	M Raitaukala, G Norman	J & L Hawksworth
<b>Explorers Crèche</b>	Parents	Parents
<b>Ministry Team</b>		
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	No Morning Tea	No Morning Tea
<b>Flowers</b>	E Oates	A Lewis
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	D Russell / M Patrick	R Nelson / J Russell
<b>Counters</b>	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**10am: "Testimony Sunday"**

*Testimonies from our congregation*

**Leading: Stewart Patrick**

**Preaching: Testimonies**

**Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick**

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

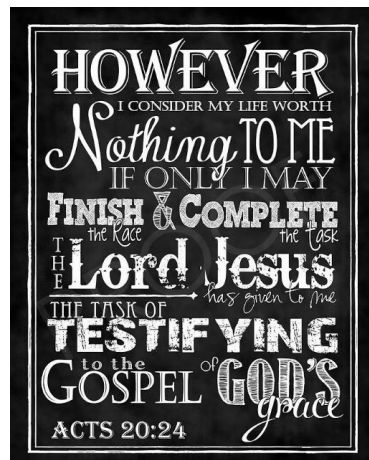
Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863-2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949

*'Explorers' creche is available for 1-4 years, but parents need to stay and supervise. Kidzspace (Primary) and Matrix (Intermediate) will combine and go out during service.*

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.

## 'Testimony Sunday'

Today we have 3 folk sharing testimony to the Gospel of God's grace in their lives, as the Apostle Paul puts it in Acts 20:24. One is speaking on behalf of senior folk who are unable now to be with us physically at Church Services, but are very much with us in spirit and would love you to know they are seeing the Lord's hand in their difficult situations. We may not have time this morning for further testimony from the floor, but there will always be other opportunity to share. We can provide space for sharing brief testimony on any Sunday, and our next dedicated 'Testimony Service' is planned for Sunday 22 May.



**New Lapel Microphone** – Our A&F team approved the purchase of a new 'Lapel Microphone and Receiver' system for the preachers to use. We are very grateful for this as it means speakers/preachers can have their hands free and a consistent voice pick up will result.

**'PRAISE' Service - 12:30pm-1.10pm Wednesdays @ MUP** – Our 'mixed' gathering (no vaccine pass required) meditative Service & Communion. This mid-week Service follows the same mandates for Sunday Services, of signing in, mask wearing, 1 metre spacing, but with a maximum of 25 attending.

**Caring for each other in these difficult times:** Remember; "we all can 'step up' a bit more in ensuring encouragement and care for each other does take place." It may be a call, a coffee, a visit, a card, a word. The Lord will lead you as you ask Him, "Who Lord, can I encourage today?"

**Bible In Schools** – There is an opportunity for a volunteer to take on the Bible in School (now known as Launchpad) teaching at Muriwai School. These children are a wonderful enthusiastic group split into junior and senior classes. In the past they have been very open to Launchpad and the staff are very supportive. Lessons are taken on a weekly basis, half an hour per class. All resources and training are provided. Volunteers must be police vetted; we can facilitate this. Due to government regulations, any volunteer entering a school must be covid vaccinated. If anyone is interested please contact the Regional Advisor, Esther Henderson on 867 8845 or email [doonhill@farmside.co.nz](mailto:doonhill@farmside.co.nz)

**Global Day Of Praise – 20<sup>th</sup> February** – Join people around the world in praise and thanksgiving! As the world changes, our God never does. He is the same yesterday, today and forever, Hebrews 13:8. He stays faithful and true to His children. He blesses us every day, protects us, provides for us, heals our bodies and relationships. He is our source for our every need. Let's praise Him and thank Him! God is Good! "I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in my mouth." Psalm 34:1  
[www.globaldayofpraise.org](http://www.globaldayofpraise.org)



**Attention Church Gardeners** – We have had a request for the seeds of the agapanthas in the carpark. As these will not be ready to harvest for another 1-2 weeks, could you please leave them and not cut the heads off prematurely. Thanks heaps.



**Te Hahi** – Te Hahi is needing rice for their food parcels. If you would like to give them some rice, label it for Te Hahi and place it in our food basket on Sunday. We will pass it on to them.



### **MUP Services Livestreaming**

It was great to hear positive feedback this week from folk who are watching and participating in our Sunday Services, at home. They are very grateful for this as they cannot attend church for health reasons. If you are unsure how to access MUP Livestream, go to our MUP Facebook page or 'Ctrl click' below.

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

**Joseph Matthews & the Kaitaia Mission Story** - Several expressed interest in receiving a copy of the abridged story Stewart shared last week. We have attached the pdf of this with the emailed Newsletter this week.

**Paula's Farewell/Thank You – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March** – Under the restrictions and difficulties of the Covid pandemic, we have not been able to do a meaningful farewell for Paula as Leader of Mangapapa Church. Paula will be officiating Lynne Barker's wedding on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March, and can be with us **10am Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March**, so we are going to take that opportunity and, if possible, a special Morning Tea after the Service, out on the lawn together to celebrate Paula's time with us. More on this later.