

Coming up ...	
16 <sup>th</sup> Sep	AGM
17 <sup>th</sup> Sep	TOSS Garage Sale
26 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Church Working Bee



**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'**- Still meeting from 11am–12noon in Church Prayer Room. For more info contact Janet Burgess.

**Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** – Still meeting at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

**Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast'**- Not meeting until further notice. For more info contact Paul Cosson.

**Thursday 'Womens Breakfast'**- Still meeting at 7am in the Church House. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly on a Thursday, 1pm–2.30pm, in the Church House. For more info contact Nicola Hawkins.

**Friday 'Revival Prayer'**– Starts 6.30pm and will be held at Elaine's place until further notice. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

**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.

**TOKO WORK PARTY!! – Saturday & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> September.**

Volleyball, surfing, pizza, and of course - some work! An awesome time to be outside and put in some labour for our super-generous 40 HR Famine sponsors. They always spoil us rotten and we laugh lots and play lots and eat lots too. Let Kate know if you're interested in coming - you do not need to have done the Famine. 😊



	Today	Next Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Greeters</b>	9am J & L Hawksworth	A Clement, J Phin
<b>Greeters</b>	10.30am M Raitaukala, L McAra	2 x volunteers needed
<b>Explorers Crèche</b>	N Welch, E Holwill	R Theobald
<b>Matrix</b>	L Hindle	N Hawkins
<b>Ministry Team</b>	A Clement	J Newman
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	N & C Coffey, M Patrick	B Corlett, J Dyas, L Hindle
<b>Flowers</b>	B Bowis	B Bowis
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	R Nelson / P Cosson	D Russell / J Russell
<b>Counters</b>	A Radcliffe	N Coffey



**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**Two Services Today – 9am and 10.30am**

“What Is God Like?”

Exodus 34:6-7 and Deuteronomy 32:3-4

**Preaching: Frank Darcy**

**Leading: Neil Smoker**

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**Elders Team**

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

**All Kids Programmes are operating during the 10.30am Service only.**

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

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

'Matrix 789's' are to go out at message time.

## Frank writes:

What is God like? Frank will be speaking on two themes this morning:

- God is eternal and unchanging.
- God is absolutely fair and just.

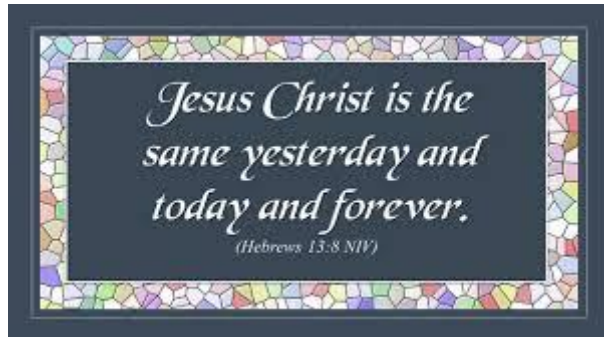
These two qualities raise certain questions as to why God permitted all the violence recorded in the Old Testament. How do we explain the book of Joshua when the Israelites were instructed to “destroy them all?”

(Shorter Catechism) - “God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangeable in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth.”

**Ex. 34:6-7** - “Yahweh, Yahweh is God, merciful and compassionate, slow to anger rich in grace and truth, showing grace to the thousandth generation, forgiving offences, crimes and sins. But I also punish the guilty.”

**Deut. 32:3-4** - “Ascribe greatness to our God, the Rock, His work is perfect and all His ways are just. A God of faithfulness and without injustice, good and upright is He.”

Is the God of the Old Testament really the same as the God of the New? Is He also “the same yesterday and forever”?

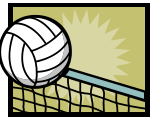


**MUP AGM – This Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm** – Don't forget to collect an AGM Report today, from the back table to take home and read before the meeting on Wednesday. Look forward to seeing you!



**TOSS Garage Sale....** TOSS will be held **this Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> September** weather permitting .... may be Friday, but still open to receive goods on Monday and Wednesday 10.30am-12noon. If anyone would like to help on the day, please contact Marilyn Patrick.

**Inter Church Volley Ball Competition** – Tuesday nights. Good exercise, great fun, and a great chance to meet people. See or ring Phil Viljoen if you are keen to join.



**Working Bee – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September** – Mark Van Wijk has volunteered to co-ordinate our Working Bee – Thanks heaps Mark! There are lots of odd jobs to be done and we would appreciate as many helpers as we can get. Please put in your diary. If you know you are coming and have any special skills, please let Mark know so that he can organise jobs specific to your skills.

**Positive Journalism** – Young people are often portrayed badly in the media. We'd like to give our young people a chance to hear how they have positively affected others in our church community. If you have something positive to share about a particular youth or youths that attend our youth group - it might be something they have said or done, an experience that they have shared - I'd like to hear from you. Please contact me via email at [pkbney@gmail.com](mailto:pkbney@gmail.com) or phone/text on 027 283 2015. Thanks so much! Kate Ney.

**MUP Website** – If you want to hear the Sunday message again, go to our website and listen to the Podcast. Our newsletters are also posted on the website, and you can also find out what services are being held and who the speaker will be. Upcoming events are posted on the home page, which is updated each Monday. So... check it out! [www.mup.org.nz](http://www.mup.org.nz)



**Men: Save This Date! Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**  
A BBQ on a relaxed afternoon, with good food and Lance Rickard from HOB sharing testimony and stories.

**Security Codes** – Further to our Key & Code audit, we have decided to cancel and reissue all security codes. This will happen at the beginning of October, so if you currently have, and need a code for the church or house, please see Dione to get a new one before October.



We are looking for more people to work voluntarily as CAP Support Friends. This role is really important as support makes it easier for people to become debt free. If you are interested in hearing more about what is involved, please contact Nicola on [nicola.hawkins@capnz.org](mailto:nicola.hawkins@capnz.org) or 0204 072 5386.