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

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

<u>**Tuesday 'Prayer For the Nation'</u>-11am-12noon in Church prayer room.</u> For more info contact Janet Burgess.</u>**

Tuesday Bible Study – Meeting at 1.30pm in the Church House for duration of The Prayer Course. For more info contact Val Hawkins.

Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast' - Meets at 6:45am - 7:50am in the Church house lounge. Currently doing The Prayer Course. For more info contact Paul Cosson.

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

Explorers Volunteers: We desperately need some more people on the Explorers roster. If you are willing, please let the office know. If you want to know more of what is involved, talk to Raewyn Theobald.

Bible In Schools Secretary/Treasurer

Gisborne/Wairoa/East Coast Bible in Schools Committee is seeking someone to fill the role of Secretary/Treasurer. *This is a paid, part time position, with flexible hours to suit.* The successful applicant will be expected to share the values and principles inherent to the providers of this district's Christian Bible in Schools program. Experience in secretarial work or financial book keeping preferred but not essential. Anyone interested in enquiring about this position is welcome to email: **Esther Henderson** at doonhill@farmside.co.nz

Easter Camp 2019

We have approx. 27 people going to Easter Camp at Mystery Creek this weekend. Don't forget to pray for them.



"Easter Camp 2019"

The youth will be at Easter Camp, at Mystery Creek in Hamilton, this weekend.

No more Youth Group until Term 2 starts.



	Today	Next Sunday 28 th April
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	H Hockey & Volunteer
Explorers Crèche	M Patrick	M Parker
Matrix	School Holidays	School Holidays
Ministry Team	A Clement	J Newman
Cups of Tea	J Dyas, B Corlett, A Alder	P & A Walker, D Benson
Flowers	G Sharp	E Oates
AV & Sound	J Russell, P Walker	R Nelson, P Cosson
Counters	D Welch	N Coffey





Our motivating vision is... 'To be His Love, Light and Life'

Sunday 21st April 2019

10am: "HIStory – from creation to the cross"

Leading: Andrew Russell Preaching: Llew Paul Duty Elder: Llew Paul

Church Leader: Paula Levy Office 06 867-9604 Cell 021 140-4667 E-mail paula@mup.org.nz

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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 head out when directed. 'Matrix' Intermediates stay in during the message time. **Paula writes....** Easter is the most important of all times in our Christian calendar. Below is the Easter message from the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, which I think summarises it well. My prayer for each of us this Easter:

- 1. We would again be deeply reminded of the sacrifice of Jesus for us personally, and for all who choose to believe.
- 2. We would be able to celebrate Jesus rising again and all that means for us and our world.
- 3. We would demonstrate the same attitude of loving, reconciling and forgiving with those around us.

Have a wonderful Easter. I am away for a few days for some family and recharging time, please pray for our team at Easter Camp also! Blessings, Paula.

The Moderator's Message:

Christ is risen. Alleluia. Praise the Lord. The highlight of our Christian world is Jesus rising from the tomb. This act of God changes everything. Dejection, betrayal, denial, desertion: the disciples were lost and shattered. The one they adored and followed was crucified and publicly ridiculed. But, Jesus rose from the tomb. Everything changes.

Easter is our celebration of Jesus' resurrection. It is understood as the defeat of the two worst fears of humanity: death and sin. Jesus defeated death once and for all. Death where is your sting? Where is your victory? Death will not bring fear and dread to our lives anymore. In Jesus, and through Jesus, we have life in full - in this world and in the world to come. Praise and thanks to God.

Sin, which has bound and suppressed humanity since the beginning of creation, you too have lost your grip. You will not terrorise and dominate anymore. God has defeated sin through Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. Jesus is the Lamb of God, sacrificed on the cross for the sin of humanity. Jesus redeemed us from sin and brought us into a new relationship with God. Sin, we know you are there, still trying to hurt and influence lives, but you are powerless, for our Lord Jesus reigns supreme forever. Jesus Christ is risen. Alleluia.

Praise God. Christians, get up and share this glorious news with all who will listen. This is the good news of salvation. It cannot be silenced.

Happy Easter, everyone. Jesus Christ is risen. Yes. In life and in relationships, we must be Christ-like. Jesus was rejected and deserted before the cross. When he met his disciples after death, Jesus was loving, compassionate and kind. Jesus said over and over again: "Peace be with you, receive the Holy Spirit", and he embraced them.

This Easter, be at peace with all people: be reconciling and be forgiving. Be a new person for your sake. May the Holy Spirit be your constant companion in all your relationships with people, and especially with God.

Happy Easter. Christ is risen. Alleluia. Praise the Lord!

Fakaofo Kaio Moderator Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand



Drivers for RAK: Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) need more drivers to deliver the baking and have a bit of chat to the recipients. If you have a spare hour on Friday mornings to help with this, it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Joy McHardy if interested.

Family In Need: We are in contact with a family with significant financial and health needs. A key to this will be gaining residency and security. If you feel able to make a one off donation to help them through a particular situation, or to contribute towards living costs, please leave a donation in an envelope marked "Family in need" or tag an online payment.



Transport to Church: We have someone interested in attending Church, but in need of a ride. This is a common occurance, can anyone be able to help out please? If so, contact Dione at the office.

<u>CAP Money Coaches needed</u>: Do you have a heart for the poor and a passion to help lift Kiwi families out of poverty? Would you like to train as a CAP Money Coach? If you think this might interest you, contact Sepoima Tulia for more info on what is involved.



Soup for CAP Clients: As the cooler months approach, I'd love to be able to take soup to clients, instead of baking. If you feel like making soup and separating it into 1-2L portions, then please do so and put it into the freezer in the church house. Nicola.