

Dates to Remember	
Wednesday 13 th 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 Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

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.

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

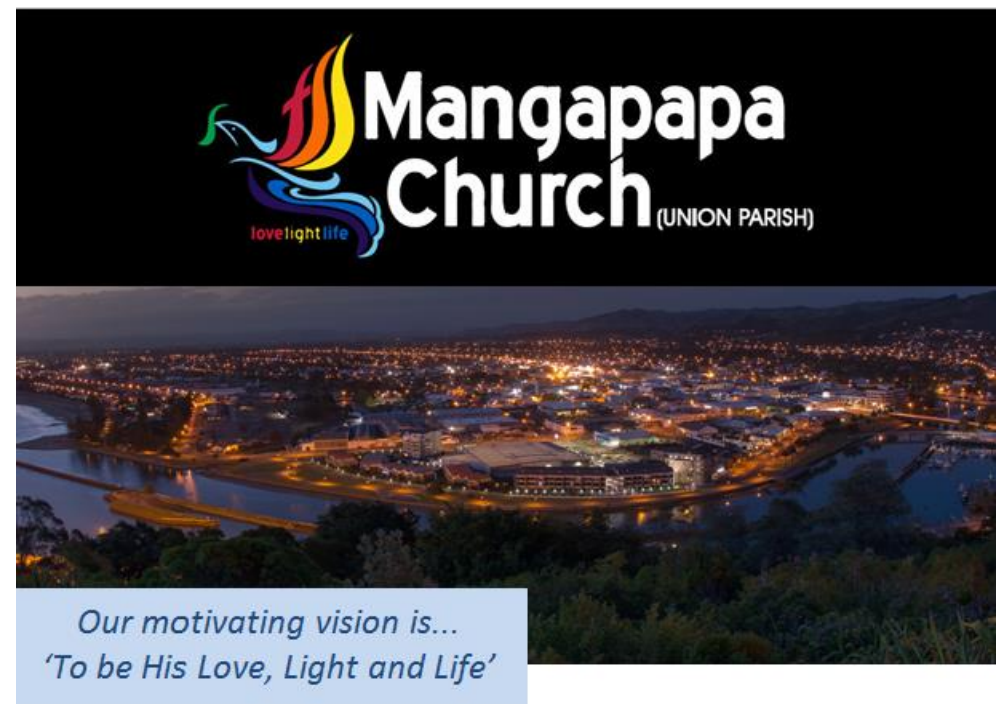
Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Contact is Nicola Hawkins.

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 to be worn by everyone at all services and gatherings held at church. Face mask rules don't need to be applied to gatherings meeting in homes.

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 6 th March
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	A Clement, J Phin
Explorers Crèche	Parents	R Theobald
Ministry Team	E Oates	A Clement
Cups of Tea	No Morning Tea	No Morning Tea
Flowers	G Sharp	G Sharp
AV & Sound	J Russell / P Walker	R Nelson / A Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	B Wheeler



Sunday 27th February 2022

10am: "The Holy Spirit As The Water Of Life For My Soul"

John 4: 13-14

Leading: Dione Russell Preaching: Leigh McGurk

Duty Elder: Al Clement

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Elders Team

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'Explorers' creche is available for 1-4 years, but parents need to stay and supervise. Kidzspace (Primary) and Matrix (Intermediate) will stay in 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.

Leigh McGurk is sharing the message with us today. She writes ...

Today I am comparing our much needed water for day to day survival to the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. I know without water I would die, but if I had to choose between life without water or life without the Holy Spirit dwelling in me I don't think I could separate them. A life without the Holy Spirit would leave me thirsty, I would feel hungry, empty, dissatisfied and alone. What sort of a life would that be? I know there are so many people walking around unaware of what they are missing out on, but once I became enlightened, I could never imagine going back and living in the empty existence that I once lived. I praise God daily that it is no longer I that lives but Christ that lives in me.



MUP Services are Changing for the Covid Omicron Peak

MUP Elders and Leadership Team have been regularly reassessing our operating protocols over the past 4 months, and today advise that - due to the growing spread of Covid in the Gisborne community - including Rest Homes, Schools and Churches - **we have decided to prioritise 'Live Streaming' of our 10am Sunday Service and restrict attendance to just 25, with pre-booking and vaccine pass required. This will be in place from next Sunday 6th March, and last until we get over the peak of this Covid outbreak, which is expected to take up to 6 weeks.** Please note, we are not closing down attendance at the 10am Services, in fact we want up to 25 there to help our leaders and speakers by having a live congregation present. Our seating area will be wider spaced and the Livestream video will be from a tripod closer to the front, so that it will give a much clearer view of the screen and of those leading/preaching/sharing. Our primary aim in doing this is to protect our senior folk and those immunocompromised at this time. We are advised that many of us will catch this virus and recover without major health issues, but we do not want our Church Services and activities to be a source of significant spread. Note too, we will not be serving Communion over this time.



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

Lorraine Redgrave Tribute – Last Sunday morning Lorraine passed away peacefully at Leighton House, age 96. Although she had prepared her funeral, in the past year she had decided not to have one, but her family could not face having nothing so a small family and colleagues Service was held at Evans on Sunday afternoon. Stewart and Marilyn were asked to attend, to share and to pray and commit Lorraine to the Lord. It was a lovely time, honouring Lorraine's faith and life. It was shared that Lorraine joined MUP in 1953 and she was Church Office Secretary for several ministers in those earlier years. One delightful memory was shared of the previous week – The family called Stewart and Marilyn to go and pray for Lorraine as she was not expected to last that day. We did and found her very much at peace, but sleepy. Two days later her daughter Lesley rang to say mum had woken up and said, "I have had my funeral, Stewart and Marilyn came". How precious is faith and His peace at the end.



'PRAISE' Service - 12:30pm-1.10pm Wednesdays @ MUP – Our 'mixed' gathering (no vaccine pass required) meditative Service & Communion. This will continue over the Covid Omicron peak time, but will be a 'small group', with signing in, mask wearing, increased spacing to 2 metres and reduced to a maximum of 10 attending.

Lawns Mowing - Metui Raitaukala is commencing a small Lawn Mowing Business on Saturdays and we would just like to let that be known. You can contact Metui on cell 022 699 2164.



Paula's Farewell/Thank You – Sunday 13th 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 12th March, and can be with us **10am Sunday 13th March**, so we are going to take that opportunity in the Service to celebrate Paula's time with us.

Flatmate Wanted! – One of our Christian men is looking for a flatmate. If you are interested, please email the office – office@mup.org.nz



Medical Grade Masks – Updated guidelines for places of worship now mean that any workers/volunteers carrying out any duties at a service are required to wear a medical grade mask. This is a mask with a N95, KN95 or P2 rating, or a blue medical/surgical mask. All those rostered on a duty please wear one of these if you have one. We are trying to source some for those who do not have one the correct grade, and hopefully these will be available next week.