

Dates to Remember	
Sat 27 Aug	10am Presbytery Central Get Together at St Andrews
Wed 21 Sep	7pm AGM
Sun 25 Sep	5.30pm Te Hahi Combined Churches meeting & dinner



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 – Meets at 1.30pm on Tuesdays in the Church House. Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

'Men's Breakfast Group' – Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

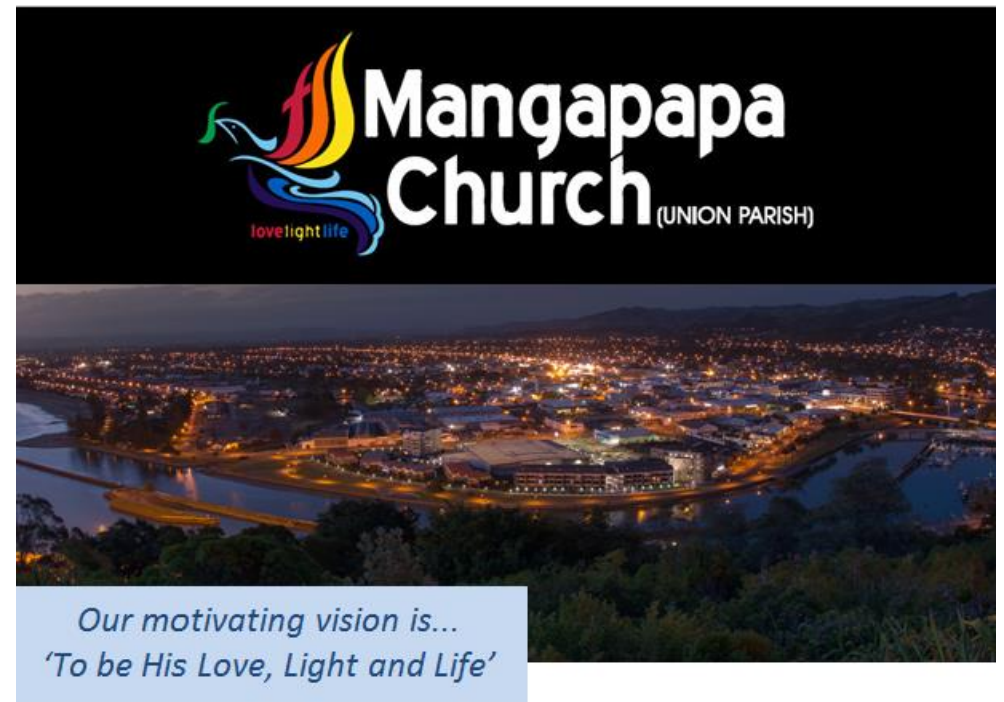
Thursday 'Womens Breakfast' – Meets at 7am on Thursdays in the Church House for Breakfast. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

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

Ruel Philippines - 68 Ruel children, over 3 Philippine Islands, are about to start their new school year shortly. Fundraising is starting to raise money for new school shoes, books, bags and uniforms! More to follow soon. If you would like to contribute please do so online either through MUP or Ruel or label an envelope and add to the Sunday service giving. Thanks so much. Contact Angela Paton 021 216 8446 for more info.

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 4 th September
Greeters	M Wilson, A Clement	L McAra, J Dyas
Explorers Crèche	Parents	R Theobald
Ministry Team	S Clement	E Oates
Cups of Tea	M Patrick, P Oram	N Aston, M Freeman
Flowers	B Bowis	B Bowis
AV & Sound	R Nelson / A Russell	J Russell / R Levy
Counters	B Wheeler	G Stevenson



Sunday 28th August 2022

10am: "Highlights In Ephesians"

Ephesians 2:10

Leading: Sal Clement Preaching: Frank Darcy

Duty Elder: Al Clement

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

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'Explorers' creche is available for 1-4 years. Parents need to stay and supervise. 'Kidzspace' Primary & Intermediate age children go out during service.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and get a R.A.T. Test.

Frank Darcy writes ...

Ephesians 2:10 – “For we (the Church) are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago.”

In the Tyndale New Testament Commentary, we read these words:

“In many respects Ephesians...is like a sermon on the greatest and widest theme possible for a Christian sermon – the eternal purpose of God, which He is fulfilling through his Son Jesus Christ, and working out in and through the Church. One thought leads to another all the way through.

Chapters 1-3 are principally the doctrinal elaboration of the great theme, and **Chapters 4-6** teach what should be the practical consequences of it for human life and relationships. There is, however, no elaborate division between doctrine and ethics, but rather an intimate linking of the two throughout.”

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

Following on from our study of Jeremiah’s call last week, here is an interesting meditation...

Where is the man who is so ordinary, that in his assessment of himself, he sees himself as nothing? Nothing. We sometimes ask the children, “What gets bigger the more you take from it?” It’s a riddle. Of course the answer is—a hole. The more you take from a hole, the bigger the hole gets. The more God takes from you, the bigger God becomes in your life. If you’re full of yourself, you have no room for God. But if you are going to follow the revelation of God, you’re not only going to seek to be ordinary and become as a little child (Matt. 18:3), but you’ll stay there! The man who is little in his own eyes has a great God. But the man who becomes nothing in his own eyes knows God as He is. (by Arthur Burt, from “How To Be Ordinary.”)



You are free to wear a mask or to not wear a mask in our Services. However, we continue to ask you to be wise and understanding of each other in this difficult Covid and flu time, where folk have varying degrees of risk assessment in large gatherings.

Plants For Sale – Pot plants, plus many for outdoor gardens, to raise funds for Ruel Orphanage Philippines ... **This Thursday, 31st August, 9am-12 noon** (weather permitting) in the church carpark.

For Prayer this week: Update on John Hill – As of Friday morning, John is still in Gisborne Hospital waiting to be transferred up to Waikato Hospital for assessment at the Coronary Care Unit there. The hold-up is at the Waikato Hospital end, where there is an outbreak of a ‘superbug/virus’ that has caused the Coronary Care Unit to be temporarily closed. John is doing fine here, but as you can imagine, he is getting bored and mischievous! (Lord, may John be blessed and be a blessing on the Ward in his waiting. Please clear the way for John to get the treatment he needs).

Jo Yuile – Recovering at home after a major operation a few weeks ago.

Stewart – Leading and Preaching at St Johns Waikohu Parish at Te Karaka this Sunday.

27 Aug 2022
10 - 12:30 pm

ALL MINISTERS, YOUTH,
CHILDREN AND FAMILY AND
VOLUNTEER LEADERS ARE
INVITED

TO JOIN SOME OF THE
PRESBYTERY CENTRAL TEAM AT
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, 176
COBDEN ST, GISBORNE, FOR AN
OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO
MEET, LISTEN, ENCOURAGE AND
SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER. IT WILL
ALSO BE A TIME TO REFLECT ON
WHAT GOD IS DOING AND MIGHT
BE WANTING TO DO IN GISBORNE.

For more information or to arrange 1:1 meetings please email
stuart.s@presbyterycentral.org.nz, (Mission Catalyst) or
kyle.h@presbyterycentral.org.nz (Youth Enabler)

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Meetings with ‘Catalyst Presbytery Team’ 25-27 August – Our Leadership Team met with Rev Stuart Simpson from Wellington and Youth Enabler, Kyle Hastelow, from Palmerston North, on Thursday morning. It was an encouraging and helpful discussion on processing the difficulties of the past ‘Covid year’ and looking ahead at our MUP Church mission call here. This Saturday morning, 10am at St Andrews Hall, Stuart and Kyle are facilitating a ‘Presbytery Central Gathering’ for Waikohu Parish, MUP, St Davids and St Andrews Churches, where all will share.

The Toss Shed - Will be opening **this Monday 29th from 9am - 12noon** (weather permitting), hopefully to sell much of the abundance of goods we have been given. Thank you to those who have donated.



Our Next AGM - 7pm Wednesday 21st September
Please note this in your diaries now. Hope you will all come.
Ministry and Home/Small group leaders: You should have already sent your reports to the office by now, so if you haven't please do so as soon as possible.