Dates to Remember		
30 July	Alpha Course	
31 July	3pm Te Wiremu Service	
17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	PPP Night	
August	Promise Keepers Men's Events	
Sep/Oct	Pakihi Trail Bike ride	



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'-11am-12noon in Church prayer room. For more info contact Janet Burgess.

Tuesday Bible Study – Currently meeting at 1.30pm in the Church House Lounge for a study of Revelation with Frank Darcy. For more info contact Maureen Wilson or Judy McLatchie.

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

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

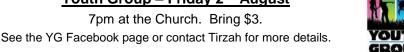
## Giving/Tithing

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.

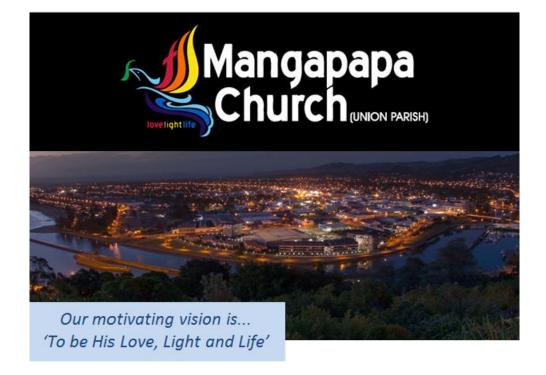


### Youth Group - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

7pm at the Church. Bring \$3.



	Today	Next Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> August
Greeters	M Raitaukala, M Wilson	B & A Hall
Explorers Crèche	R Theobald	A Lawton
Matrix	N Hawkins	L Hindle
Ministry Team	E Oates	J McHardy
Cups of Tea	J Dyas, B Corlett, M Smith	N Aston, D Benson, M Smith
Flowers	E Oates	D Dobbie
AV & Sound	D Russell / Volunteer	D Russell / Volunteer
Counters	A Radcliffe	D Welch



Sunday 28th July 2019

10am: "The All-Sufficiency of Christ"

Leading: Andrew Russell Preaching: Frank Darcy

**Duty Elder: Andrew Russell** 

6.30pm Evening Fellowship tonight

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 go out at message time. 'Matrix' Intermediates are to go out during message time.

#### Paula writes....

I hope term three has started well, and we pray for teachers and students back into things for the term. Youth Group has started on Friday evenings and Kidzspace is back into swing this Sunday. We pray for a good start for these groups.

I have continued to receive positive feedback from those who attended our Christmas dinner. We wanted this to be a blessing to our community and now we pray any who came who may be interested in learning more about Jesus and what it means to live a life following him, may be willing to join our Alpha Course starting this Tuesday.

Alpha was begun in the UK but has been used in over 100 counties and languages. It is a series of interactive sessions that explore the basics of the Christian faith and is run in a way which allows anyone to explore life, faith and God in a friendly, open and informal environment. In each session there's food, a short talk, and discussion in small groups. We will be running it over 9 weeks starting this Tuesday evening. Each session looks at a different question, and is assigned to create conversation. It's an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. The topics covered include:

Who Is Jesus? Why Did Jesus Die? How Can I Have Faith? Why and How Do I Read the Bible? Why and How Do I Pray? How Does God Guide Us? Who Is The Holy Spirit? What Does the Holy Spirit Do? How Can I Be Filled With the Holy Spirit? How Can I Resist Evil? Does God Heal Today?



What about the Church? How Can I Make the Most of the Rest of My Life?

So, if you know anyone who may be interested please invite them. We gave out invitations to all who were at the dinner and will have more available this morning. You are welcome to attend with your friend(s) to help them feel more comfortable.

Please see Paula today or ring the office if you have invited someone who is coming. At this stage we have no idea of numbers so appreciate your prayers. We have a small team to help lead discussions. If you would be willing to help with suppers or providing some dessert type food please let us know as well.

# Blessings, Paula

Alpha Course - starts Tuesday 30th July. Have a think about who you could invite to attend. Great course for those seeking answers. Includes dessert and coffee.







The Midwinter Christmas Dinner

### Frank Darcy is teaching us this morning from Colossians:

"There was false teaching in the church at Colossae. God was pictured as remote and aloof, ministering to people through many intermediaries; Christ was but one of these... Hence the superb description of Christ in 1:15-23." – Blaiklock

"When Paul wrote Colossians, he was not writing in a vacuum. He was writing to meet a very definite situation. In the early Church, there was a way of looking at the world called Gnosticism. Its followers were called Gnostics ("the intellectual ones"). These people were dissatisfied with what they considered the unrefined simplicity of Christianity, and wanted to turn it into a philosophy and to align it with the other philosophies which were popular at that time." - Barclay

Not only was Colossians written to refute this heresy, but also the Gospel of John and John's first epistle. Paul warns the Colossians about "philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition" (2:8) and points out that in "Christ himself, are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (2:3).

We will look at these Scriptures as we see the all-sufficiency of Christ.

Te Hāhi / / / / / Mangapapa is on-call for Te Hahi next week – 29<sup>th</sup> July to 4<sup>th</sup> August.

Please pray for Sepoima and team, working with Police in this front line ministry.

# Te Wiremu Service - Wednesday 31st July at 3pm

It is our turn to take the service at Te Wiremu this Wednesday. If you are able to go along and support Gretchen Norman and team, it would be appreciated.

### Back by popular demand! ....

### 'PPP Night' - Saturday 17th August



