

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.

Wednesday, 'Mens Breakfast'- meets every Wednesday morning 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.



FOODBANK... Thank you for your faithful giving to this ministry. We have a good supply of most foodbank items, however we would love help with the following items: **rice, flour, sugar, breakfast spreads, pasta sauce and canned or pkt soups.**

Focus on Servanthood - A huge thankyou to the volunteers who come faithfully on a Monday to count the offerings ready for banking. Elaine Oates, Val Judd, Andrew Mclean, giving your time for this is very much appreciated.

Tax Receipts for Church tithing and offerings as at 31 March 2018 are now available for collection from the Church foyer table.



Library Books – We would like to thank our church folk who have recently donated a number of books to our Church library. So if you haven't already done so, check out the library shelves as there is now a lot more books to choose from. Happy reading!

Contacting MUP Office Secretary, Sepoima – The past 3 months has been an extremely busy time for Sepoima, without a Church Leader. Sepoima has taken on extra tasks and much of the time has been working alone. So we would ask, please don't load up Sepoima with verbal notes and requests outside of office hours, especially on Sunday mornings! You can phone the Church Office anytime and leave a message on the answerphone, or e-mail office@mup.org.nz Thank you. (Barbara Bowis & Stewart Patrick – Office Secretary Appraisal team).



Youth Group - Friday 4th May
"Blackout" @ Church
From 7pm-9pm, Bring \$3 please



	Today 29 April 2018	Next Sunday 6 May 2018
Greeters	A Clement, M Wilson	J Phin, M McHardy
Explorers crèche	E Fuchs	V Judd
Ministry Team	J Newman	E Oates
Cups of Tea	E & B Bowis, <i>volunteer please</i>	B & A Hall, P Walker
Flowers	D Dobbie	B Bowis
AV & Sound	P Oram, <i>sound volunteer please</i>	R Nelson, G O'Neill
Counters	A McLean	N Coffey



Sunday 29 April 2018

10am: "The 40 Days"

Leading: Leigh McGurk Preaching: Frank Darcy

Duty Elder: Rodney Judd

6:30pm – 'Fellowship Gathering'

Elders Team

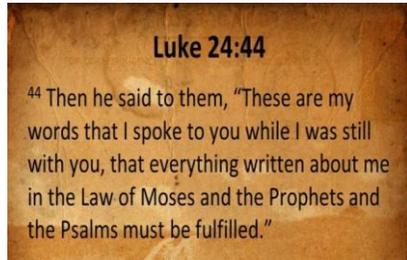
Andrew Russell: 027 815-1635 Rodney Judd 863 2400 Llew Paul: 022 052 8297

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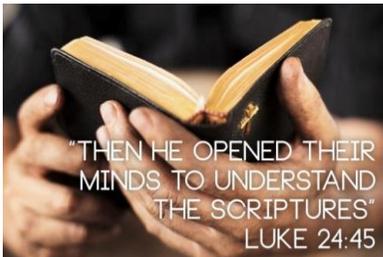
*Explorers' crèche is operating and available for 1-4 yrs.
 'Kidzspace' Primary age children and 'Matrix' Intermediates go out during
 the message time for their holiday movie time.*

Frank writes... Luke 24:44-45 "...Everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures..."

What do we think is the major theme of the Old Testament? It is only as we see the Old Testament from a Christological perspective, that "our hearts will burn within us," as happened to the two disciples on the Emmaus Road. Is the Old Testament of value to us, now that we have the New? The answer is a resounding YES. There are so many lessons to be learned, and so many examples given, that it does us well to immerse ourselves in the Old as well as the New.



Jesus opened their minds to understand the ancient Scriptures. It is so easy for us to come to read the Word of God in order to confirm our preconceptions. Perhaps not everything we've been told, or has been handed down through Church tradition is scripturally correct. How important for us, as we come to come to read, that we do so with an open mind, asking the Holy Spirit to give us understanding and illumination.



ORDINATION SERVICE for Paula Levy – On Friday 8th June we are planning to have Paula Levy's Ordination Service, starting at 6:30pm and followed by a shared dinner. More information later, but for now book in the Friday night onto your calendars and plan to be there!



Coming Up Soon @ our 10am Sunday Services.....

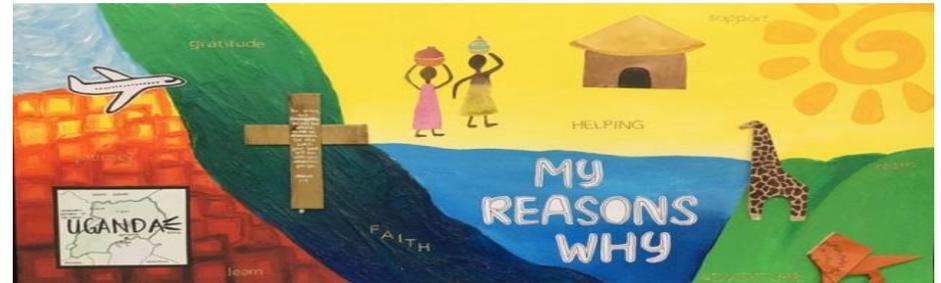
Sunday 6 May – Youth Service, being led by Tirzah & Youth team

Sunday 13 May – Mother's Day Testimonies

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

For Prayer & Praise this week....

- **Anne Arthur** passed away peacefully to our Lord, at Ryman Healthcare Village last Sunday night; her funeral was held @ Evans on Thursday, with afternoon tea back here at the Church lounge. Anne was member here at MUP but in the past 3 years has been unable to attend due to failing health, which Anne had struggled with her whole life. Anne had no family in Gisborne, and her sister thanks MUP folk who cared for her with friendship and love to the end.
- **Thank you Aaron Martyn** – Aaron arranged the hire of a truck and drove the Max & Mylene Carillo family belongings down to Wellington this past week. Wonderful!
- **MUP Youth Mission to Uganda Collection last Sunday** – raised \$275 for the Uganda Youth Mission team. This morning, we will once again be taking a special offering for the Uganda team. Please use the Uganda Mission envelopes available from the church foyer & auditorium tables, or you may make a donation straight into the Uganda account 06-0637-0218170-04.



- **MUP Parenting Small Group 'Spiritual Parenting'** discussion series by Michelle Anthony will start on Sunday 20th May 4.30pm – 6pm. If you are keen on attending this 9 session series, please write your name on the registration form on the auditorium table. Childcare volunteers during the parent discussion time would be greatly appreciated. If you can help out with childcare on any given Sunday, (from 20th May – 18th Nov) please leave your details on the form, next to the registration form. For more information contact Eunice Fuchs or Debbie Dobbie.



CAPtion – I return to work this week with new clients already booked for the coming month. I am thankful for the people who have agreed to be support friends and am looking forward to working with each of them as they bring different qualities/skills to offer the people we work with. It would be lovely if some people would like to bake items to take to visits, which can be left in the freezer in the church house. Thanks - Nicola.

