



22nd November 2020 Rev Donald Hegan

Welcome: to Ms Andrea McKeown Women's Refuge Tauranga & Sergeant Adrian Tukaki Family Harm Intervention Coordinator **Call To Worship** L: My tears flow endlessly: C: They will not stop until the Lord looks down from heaven and sees. L: My heart is breaking C: Over the fate of all the women of Jerusalem. Lam 3:48-51 Litany of Lament: June & Donald Song: How Great Thou Art In his time, In his time Prayer: Notices & Offering: Intro: Donald A Reflection: Ms Andrea McKeown The Confession & Absolution and Lord's Prayer Song: Make me a channel **Elders on Duty for** November John Rentz and **Reflection:** Sergeant Adrian Tukaki Avis Currie Bible Reading: Matthew 2:11-16 pg 1498 Brian Carr **Organist** Len Hockly **Pianist** Joy Smith Reflection: Taking a Stand Song: Morning has Broken **Door Greeting** Maria West **Spoken Blessing:** Security 4th week Graham Sung Blessing: May the Lord, Mighty God Jamieson Sound lanette Telfer

Prayer Chain We are available to pray for you, your friends and families in your joys and concerns. Please contact Glynnis (576 4814) or the office.

THE COMING WEEK (4th)	
Monday	7.00 pm Indoor Bowls
Tuesday	9 am– 9.25 am: Staff Meeting, Donald's office
	10.30 am Preschool Playgroup in the lounge
Wednesday	9.30 am Care & Craft in hall
Thursday	9.45am Bible Study/Homegroup at Rosalies! Final for the year.
	2.00pm Golden Years
Friday	9.00 am Prayer meeting in crèche
	10.00 am Cuppa & Chat in lounge
Saturday	8.00 am Men's Breakfast
Sunday	8.45am Prayer in creche
Wed/Thurs/Fri	10.00 am—4.00 pm: Basement Boutique

Communion will be on the 13th December.

Golden Years is on the 26th of November (Thursday) at 2pm and will be a great time!

Men's Breakfast is on the 28th - there is still time to get your name on the clipboard!!

We would like to invite to Rev Donald and Christine's farewell brunch. This will be on the 13th Dec after the Sunday morning Service. It will have a Christmas theme and is wonderfully catered for. This will be a lovely time for memories and best wishes.

Please pencil this into your calendar.

We really would like some photos of Donald and Christine and family. If you have any at all please email them to the office or bring them in to the office asap.

There is a donation envelope in your copy of "the Voice". Please add your number if you would like a receipt.

The Storey family would like to express their thanks for all of the contributions and support for Rebeka's memorial service, and the care towards to family.

Bible Study/Homegroup finishes next week and will be at Rosalie's.

Taking A Stand

New Zealand females are being killed at one of the highest rates in the industrialised world, Jennifer Hand

1. Joseph a Caring Husband

First Christmas wasn't picture perfect King Herod paranoid and vicious Joseph isn't given much recognition

2. Joseph was an obedient Father

Didn't try to figure it all out, he just did it! Went against political and religious establishment to protect his family

Joseph gave Jesus an inspiring example of being a man

Joseph was the silent but strong figure behind Mary

A number of Presbyterian Churches in the Bay are supporters of the White Ribbon cause. Their message is: 'Violence in the home is not okay'. We believe children are a heritage from the Lord, a reward from Him (Psalm 127:3). White Ribbon Sunday is



the week before the first Sunday of Advent which leads into Christmas itself. The timing is significant. Jesus and his mother Mary fled with Joseph to escape the murderous rage of King Herod. The infant Jesus had to be protected. As an adult Jesus taught love without the abuse of power. His Kingdom is not founded on power achieved by violence, rather on the valuing of selfless love, respect, truth and right relationships.

Today there are women and children (and some men) in our community who face mental, physical and psychological violence that is truly horrifying. Some are afraid to go to sleep in case they are physically assaulted or abused. In one case I know of a spouse had two wedges under the door at night. They fear explosive outbursts over the most minor mistake or oversight. They are afraid to ask for help because of the ramifications of what might happen.

On Friday we held a stall outside the Cherrywood Pharmacy to raise awareness of White Ribbon and collect money for Women's Refugee. Last year we raised \$409.20 and the year before \$194.60. I wonder if we can do better this year?

A big thank you to Sergeant Adrian Tukaki, from the Family Harm Intervention team of Western Bay of Plenty Police and Ms. Andrea McKeown from Women's Refuge for speaking at our 9.30am service. Please join us following the service on our front lawn on Otumoetai Road for morning tea and plant a White Ribbon stake affirming that any form of family violence is unacceptable and pray and work towards a more compassionate community in which we all take responsibility to care for one another. Rev Donald

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