



25th April 2021 Rev Denis Gordon

Welcome & Call to worship

Hymn: The Lord of heaven, confess WOV12

Prayer of Approach:

God Moment:

Announcements and sharing:

Offerings and Dedication:

For the Young@Heart: I knew you'd come

Hymn: Search me, O God MP587

Readings: Acts 10:34-43 pg 1710, Fae Oates

Prayers for Others: Neville Wilson

Solo: All in the April Evening - Tom Oates

Sermon: Peter: Amazing Transformation Part 3/4

Hymn: In heavenly love abiding WOV504

Benediction: The Grace

Choral Blessing: Now unto Him

Elders on Duty for April Neville Wilson and Keith Bradbury

Organist John Carter

Pianist Rosemary Harris

Door Greeting Maria West and Erin Stubbs

Security Graham Jamieson

Sound Janette 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 9.00 am– 9.25 am: Staff Meeting,

Wednesday

Thursday 9.45am Unfinished Story 500a Otumoetai Road

2.30pm Unfinished Story Radius Matua

7.30pm Unfinished Story 18 Apollo St

Friday 9.00 am Prayer meeting in crèche

10.00 am Cuppa & Chat in lounge

Sunday 8.45 am Prayers

11am Unfinished Story in downstairs lounge - **NOT THIS WEEK!!**

Wed/Thurs/Fri 10.00 am—4.00 pm: Basement Boutique

Mid Week Communion 10am

Wednesday 5th May 2021

Please be aware of any visitors that ask for money - refer to Neville Wilson

The **Voice** article collection - I am collecting articles for the upcoming edition of the Voice - if you would like to contribute a short testimony or snippet of life - please email the office or hand it in to Ron or Ruth.

Len's 90th birthday celebrations; Len and Elizabeth invite you to their open home on the 1st May from 10-4pm 68 Pembroke Drive, Bethlehem.



The **Pink Ribbon** morning tea for 2021 is on May 1st at 10am at Bethlehem Community Church - \$10 per ticket - available from Ruth in the office.

Unfinished Story

- Sundays beginning April 11th in St Columba Lounge, at 11am -NOT THIS WEEK!
- Thursday at 9:45am on April 15th at 500A Otumoetai Road
- Thursday at 2.30pm at Radius Matua
- Thursday at 7:30pm on April 15th at 18 Apollo Street

Reminder that cheques are becoming obsolete. Feel free to use cash - just remember to put it into an envelope with your number on it.

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In brief.....

Sometimes witness accounts of an episode/accident/incident don't always appear to make sense, and may be quite contradictory, especially with the passage of time. Peter seems to have realized this in connection with the story of Jesus. Memories can fade, and sometimes facts begin to mingle with fiction. So he corrects the drift by setting out some compelling facts/evidence for the gospel in his address to the people gathered in the home of Cornelius - a God-fearing centurion in the Italian Regiment stationed in Caesarea on the Mediterranean coast (Acts 10)

1. **Jesus did not live an ordinary life.** (38) Quote..."No human mind concocted the story of Jesus of Nazareth. Human eyes saw him and human ears heard him. He walked and talked - lived and loved - on the streets of real cities and in the homes of real people.... The lives of Osiris, Krishna, Hercules, Dionysius....stumble back into the shadows of fiction when compared with the documented life of Jesus of Nazareth." (Butt and Thompson, apologetics press) eh. Albert Einstein - "unquestionably."
2. **Jesus suffered a highly public death.** (39)It was public and physical. His enemies gloated. His disciples were shattered. Ordinary people didn't know what to make of it. But everybody talked about it.
3. **God raised Him from the dead.** (40)..."and caused him to be seen." Paganism know nothing of this. Jewish world had a vague belief that something would happen at the end of time. Never expected it to happen in the middle of time! This is where the disciples stuck their necks out! Friends, someone has gone through the death barrier and come out the other side! "Because I live, you will live also." (John 14v19) Hallelujah! Live victoriously! Love ashamedly. Serve obediently! Worship joyfully! And when the great call comes - go rapturously!

Roster for 2nd May 2021

Elders on Duty - Neville Wilson and Keith Bradbury

Preaching - Rev Denis Gordon

Bible Reading - Jill Simpson

Intercessory Prayer - Ted Parker

Sound -

Door - Keith and Lynette Bradbury

Security - Ian Burns

Piano - Joy Smith

Organ -

Night Watchman - Neville Harris

If you can't do your duty, please let the office know. Thank you.



Turkmenistan
Pray for creative
ways to share the
gospel.



St Columba has an online giving option. If you would like to give 'online' please use the account number below and add your tithing number into the **reference**. If you do not have a **tithing number** please contact the office.

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