

2nd August 2020 Mr Brian Carr

Welcome and notices

Call to worship

Hymn Rejoice the Lord is King!

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

God Moment

Offerings and Dedication

Hymn Love Divine

Prayers for Others Brian Carr

Readings Ezekiel 37: 1-14 pg 1345, Hebrews 9: 8-14 pg 1871
Thomas Li

Hymn Be still for the presence of the Lord

Sermon The Essential Server

Hymn My hope is built on nothing less

Benediction May God's blessing



Elders on Duty for July John Rentz and Elizabeth Hockly

Organist John Carter

Pianist Joy Smith

Door Greeting June Welten and Rona Green

Security Janet Freeman

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 (1st)

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| Monday | 7.00 pm | Indoor Bowls |
| Tuesday | 9.00 am– 9.25 am: | Staff Meeting, Donald's office |
| | 10.30 am | Preschool Playgroup in the lounge |
| | 1.30 pm | Session—crèche |
| Wednesday | 9.00 am | Care & Craft in hall |
| | 10.00 am | Midweek Communion in the Chapel |
| Thursday | 10.00 am | Bible Study in the crèche |
| Friday | 9.00 am | Prayer meeting in crèche |
| | 10.00 am | Cuppa & Chat |
| Saturday | 8.30 am | WOW breakfast |
| Sunday | 8.45 am | Prayers |
| Wed/Thurs/Fri | 10.00 am—4.00 pm: | Basement Boutique |

Midweek Communion is coming up on 5th August led by Rev Denis Gordon

WOW BREAKFAST

8.30 am Saturday 8 August

Guest Speaker: Robyn Paterson, Health Consumer Trust. Robyn is an associate for the Health Consumer Service Trust for the BOP region. The Trust looks at areas of concern in relation to patient rights and their protection. RSVP Wednesday 5 August.

WOW Would really like some people preferably men, to help in the kitchen on women's breakfast mornings - please let the office know if you are keen.

Thanksgiving Sunday lunch is on the 16th August at 11.30am. Soup and rolls will be provided. Please bring something sweet to share if you are able. This year thanksgiving projects are Wycliffe Bible Translators and Hospital Chaplaincy. Please pray for each of these groups of people and the missions that they minister through.

AGM The AGM has been set for 30 August.

Reports need to be into the office by the week commencing 16 August or earlier. Reports are coming in - have you done yours yet? Handwritten or emailed - I'm not fussy... (-)

Kairos Course Ever wondered how YOU might be involved in fulfilling Jesus' command to *make disciples of all nations*? **The Kairos Course** could be the answer! This 9 session interactive study on the World Christian Movement can change the way you see the world, the Church, and God's plan for both. Course begins Tuesday, 21st July, at City Church (252 Otumotai Road). Cost is \$90. For more info, contact John Rentz (975 0781).

Some of the benefits of being a follower of Christ.

We have been **purchased, redeemed**, the price, death, was paid for by Christ. Acts 20:28, Eph 1:7, Col 1:14, 1Pet 1:18-19

We are **forgiven**. Col 1:14, Heb 9:2

We are **reconciled** – Col 1:20

We are **justified** – Rom 5:9

We are at **peace** with God – Col 1:20

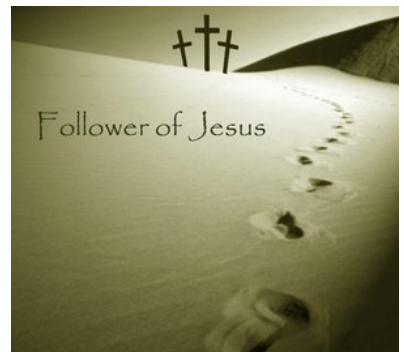
We are being **sanctified** – Heb 13:12

We are **washed, cleansed**, - Heb 9:14, 1John 1:7, Rev 1:5

We can approach God with **boldness** – Heb 10:19.

The Greek means we can speak openly, confidently, freely without fear.

We have an **everlasting covenant** with God – Heb 13:20



From the PCANZ - seeking God



Prayer

It is often said in war that in the trenches there are no atheists. Everybody prays. Even in peaceful New Zealand research indicates that a surprising 60 percent of us pray, 30 percent several times a week, even though only about 10 percent attend church on a Sunday. Prayer then is not something unusual or strange, only for 'religious' people, but a very natural and normal part of life. It was interesting to observe how much people turned to prayer as a way of helping them cope following the death of Princess Diana or the terrorist attacks of September 11.

Because we are spiritual beings prayer is the natural way we connect with the spiritual dimension of the transcendent, to the God who is beyond us. Prayer is being aware of and open to God's presence, in the belief that this is the one safe place where we can share everything that is going on in our lives. It is talking through, a sharing with, a being silent with God.

It takes place in the quiet spaces of our own hearts, in the loud appeals of our shouts for help or joy, in the everyday moments when we are thankful for our lives and in the verbal expressions we may share with others. Because as Christians we believe that Jesus has healed our broken relationship with God and made a deeper intimacy possible, we pray in the name of Jesus.

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