

Prayer ... If you have a personal prayer need and would appreciate someone praying, please indicate this to a service leader or someone with whom you feel comfortable.

MCC Social activity: Sun 19th November afternoon outing to the Woodville Organ Museum and afternoon tea.



Communion at Milson Combined: All who honour Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour are welcome to partake in the bread and the cup.

We offer wine in the chalice and grape juice in the cups. To indicate your preference for the grape juice, please bring your news sheet to the front with you. To indicate you wish to receive a blessing in place of communion, kneel with your hands at your side. Children are welcome.

Angel Tree project. Our church will be providing gifts for some children of prisoner's. If you would like to contribute either with a gift or a monetary donation towards this project please see Dorothy Bryant or contact her on 0272047477.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoe box: If anyone would like to make a gold coin donation towards this cost of sending the boxes overseas (\$10 per shoebox), please see Joanne or Dorothy

CONTACT NUMBERS:

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Stewards : Anne Jackson, Joanne Wilson,	355-3128 355-3124
Church Bookings, Keys	

Clive & Jenny Harding, 358-6053

Bulletin notices: lynley@boyd.org.nz

Prayer Chapel is a designated quiet space next to the green room, available for ministry.

Prayer Chain: If you would like prayer for healing or a specific problem, we have a prayer team who would be happy to pray for you in the strictest confidence. Contact Dorothy Bryant 027 204 7477 dcards153@gmail.com. Your prayer-need will be forwarded to our team.

Milson Friendship Centre: Thursday 1.30pm Includes afternoon tea. Contact Judy or Teresa, Anglican Social Service 355-1204

Following activities are not on during School Holidays **Prayer and Praise**– 2nd Friday evening, monthly in the Prayer Chapel.

Ladies Bible Study Group in Prayer Room, Tuesday 1.15 to 2.30pm. (Wendy 356-2652)

King's Kids - concurrent with the sermon. Contact Anne 355-3128

Girls' Brigade: Thursday 4.30pm. Contact Joanne 355-3124

Twinkle Toes Music and Movement: Friday 9.30 to 11am. Contact Anne 355-3128



Growing a Community for Christ Welcoming in... Building up... Sending out. Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian Cnr Milson Line & Purdie Place Palmerston North

12 November 2017

Welcome to our Communion & Worship Service led by Jenny Harding and David Donnellan

Topic: Mysteries

Verse for the Dav Ephesians 5:32 This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

Prayer for the Day

God of mystery, you affirm our right to question what we find hard to know. Grant us the maturity of faith that knows when to question and when to trust - in the power of the Holy Spirit who with the Father and the Son, live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



Scripture readings: Ephesians; 3.1-9 Job 11: 7-11

Palmerston North Aglow end-of-year meeting Thursday 30th November at Bridge Club Rooms, cnr Cook & Cuba Sts, Palm Nth. 9:30am morning tea. 10am programme.

Come and be challenged and blessed by our surprise speaker's story of difficulties overcome, and closeness to Jesus as a result of troubles.

Christmas Gifts: As this is our last meeting of the year, please bring a gift of \$5 value to exchange with one other, PLUS a food gift for the Women's Refuge.

For more details, Jennifer 027 319 8434.

"Listening Space" Prayer Morning Giving thanks (in all things)

Facilitator: Pauline Simonsen Monday 20 November 9.30a – 12.30p Te Wairoa The Chaplaincy Centre Colombo Rd, Massey University*

*Cheap parking is available at the Orchard Rd carpark (5 mins walk). http://www.massey.ac.nz/~ychisti/turitea_200 6_inside.pdf (See map) Cost: \$5.00 – includes morning tea, materials for creativity and reflection Bring (optional): Bible, journal, walking shoes, jacket. Contact: Bev Marsh bevlew@inspire.net.nz ph 027 223 6691 or Anne Bennett benedicta@xtra.co.nz ph 355 2818

'Listening space' is an open inter-church group offering quiet space and companionship.

Message from the Rt Rev Richard Dawson, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Dear Friends,

As we approach Christmas and the end of another year I want to call the whole Church to prayer. I am particularly aware of how important Christmas is both for the Church as a family and for her witness in and to the world.

Christmas and Easter are still universally recognised as Christian festivals even if the depth of understanding is not great. Many people only come to church on these special days. It is, therefore, important that we recognise the opportunities we have at these times to bring a message of hope and mercy to those who live outside the Church family.

I know many of you do engage the community in all sorts of creative ways at Christmas and I also know that many churches put on special services to mark the occasion. Can I encourage you to continue these traditions and to work as hard as possible to raise the Christ-child up at this time?

However, I also know that this is a very busy time for staff and especially for Ministers, so I want to call the Church to prayer for our Christmas witness and especially for these people for this period.

The Church marches on its prayers. Let us, then, march together this Christmas.

Points for prayer:

1. That our witness this Christmas may be gracious and effective.

1. That we may find many ways to bless those who struggle with Christmas, especially the poor and distressed.

2. That we may bless our Ministers and staff through the Christmas period and ensure they get adequate rest and refreshment over summer.

3. That we will find the needed resources to staff churches over summer.

4. That we will all experience peace and provision this year, which is at the heart of the Christmas tradition.

In Christ –

Richard Dawson (Moderator PCANZ)

Setting a New Direction for Aid

Christian World Service (CWS) welcomed the appointment of Winston Peters as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Fletcher Tabuteau as undersecretary in the new government. Mr Peters oversaw a significant increase in ODA, reaching a high of 0.30% of Gross National Income in 2008.

Nothing is certain yet, but there is cause for hope for New Zealand aid right now. With a few simple changes the new government could do a lot to reverse the last one's destructive legacy. http://devpolicy.org/a-new-future-fornew-zealand-aid-20171030/ via @devpolicy