CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR NOV/DEC 2022

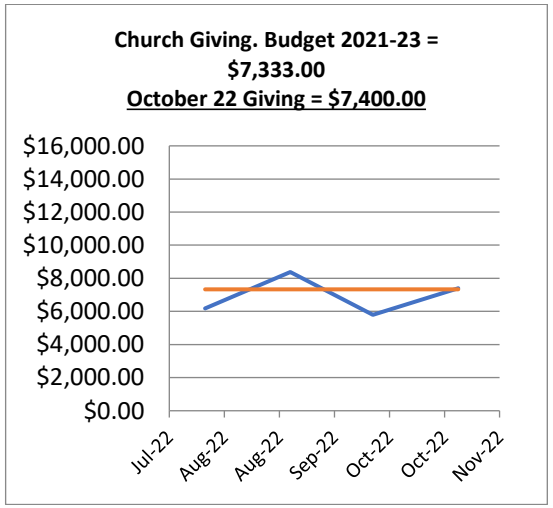
27 November:

Elder Duty:	Kayla Crampton
Door Duty:	Ann and Lindsay
Power Point:	Alan Russell
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue
Morning Tea:	Averil and Graham Gibson
Offering Count:	Tracy / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Kim and Zane
Heroes Programme:	Kate
Heroes Morning Tea:	Anne

4 December:

Elder Duty:	Ewen Nichol
Door Duty:	Lincoln and Anne
Power Point:	Alan Russell
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue
Morning Tea:	Maureen / Gerry
Offering Count:	Tracy / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Marlene/ Lindsay and Ann
Heroes Programme:	Break – up after service.
Heroes Morning Tea:	

Giving Chart for October 2022



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Ministers Paragraph

This week is the first week of Advent

The name Advent was adopted from Latin *adventus* which means *coming* and *arrival* which is translating the Greek word *parousia*. In the New Testament, the term parousia is used to describe the Second Coming of Christ. Thus, the season of Advent in the Christian calendar anticipates the "coming of Christ" from three different perspectives: the physical nativity in Bethlehem, the reception of Christ in the heart of the believer, and the eschatological Second Coming.

Advent marks the four Sundays preceding Christmas and is recognised through different ways. For us at John Knox, we like to light Advent Candles each week leading up to and including Christmas Day. Each candle represents part of the Christmas story. I think it's nice to prepare ourselves for Christmas through Advent.

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May Christ be experienced in meaningful ways this Advent and may this inspire a sense of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love in your household this Christmas Season.
Rev Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: **Rev Jas**

Preacher: Bruce Morriss

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: For those interested in praying for our Sunday Service, a brief prayer time will be held at 9.45am in the Ministers Office.

Our Service will be streamed live online at:
https://youtu.be/cGX9HwWv4f4

READING: **Mark 10 v 46 - 52**
MESSAGE: **Renewing Hope (with CBM).**

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to **Angus King, aged 7!** God Bless you.
Condolences: Tracy, Alon and family on the loss of Tracy's dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 28 Nov: Romans 6 v 1 - 11
Tue 29 Nov: Hebrews 11 v 32 - 40
Wed 30 Nov: Matthew 24 v 23 - 35
Thu 1 Dec: Acts 1 v 12 – 17, 21 - 26
Fri 2 Dec: Acts 13 v 16 - 25
Sat 3 Dec: John 1 v 19 - 28
Sun 4 Dec: Romans 15 v 4 - 13

THIS WEEK:

Mon 28 Nov: **Fun with Music:** with Adele and Kate.

Tue 29 Nov: **CONNECT Group:** will meet at the home of Allan and Mary Blaikie, 46 Papawai Drive, Rangiora at 10.15am. Also notice for our last meeting of the year, which will be in the form of a bring a plate shared lunch from 11.30AM at the home of Merv and Margaret Hamilton, 7 Helmore Street, Rangiora For info about this group, contact Bill Rate, TEL: 312 3227 or email bill.jen@xtra.co.nz

COMING UP:

Tue 6 Dec: **Young Adults**

Fri 9 Dec: **Happy Hour**

18 Dec: **Combined Church Service at Victoria Park**

24 Dec: **Combined Service with the Methodists at John Knox Church at 7pm.**

25 Dec: **Christmas Day Service at John Knox Church.**

OTHER NOTICES:

CHRISTMAS IS COMING - very soon!!!! and so are our opportunities to HELP OTHERS HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

1. For a number of years now the **APW** have collected goods (mainly Christmas food items but some small personal gifts too) for **PILLARS.** This is a group who help the Families of Prisoners. The congregation have helped us do this for a couple of years now and we were able to take a good amount of surprises for the Pillars community. They are always most appreciative of help. If you would like to help again there is a box in the Foyer labelled Pillars for you to add your donations to. Our meeting is on Wednesday 7 December so we need to collect your goods on Sunday 4 December at the latest.

2. The other way we traditionally help is via the **INTER-CHURCH FOOD BANK. We** thank all who give regularly to this (we do it monthly) and ask if you could possibly give some extra in December so the Salvation Army can give out **CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES** to those in our Community who need them. Goods will be collected on any Sunday (in the Basket in the Foyer) but especially on the next few Sundays up to and including 11 December.

THANK YOU ALL IN ADVANCE FOR ALL YOUR HELP IN THESE MATTERS!!

Of course, goods for both these organisations need to be **UNPERISHABLE.**

Please pray for Ron and Lynn O'Malley.

Selling Firewood for Next Year: See Jas or Lincoln if you would like a trailer load delivered @ $300 for 2.5 m3.

T-Shirt Fundraiser: We are selling **KNOX T – shirts** as a fundraiser. Each T – shirt sold will go towards raising funds for the mission and ministry of John Knox. They are $25 each and can be viewed in the foyer after the service or in the office during the week.

HEROES: Christmas break-up Sunday 11 Dec after church service.

Mature Christian woman seeks 2-3 bedroom home in the Waimak area, preferably in Rangiora or close to. Excellent references, Ph 022 167 7378.

Tracy and Alon would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers and for the lovely flowers.

ONE……

One tree can start a forest;

One smile can begin a friendship;

One hand can lift a soul;

One word can frame the goal;

One candle can wipe out darkness;

One laugh can conquer gloom;

One hope can raise your spirits;

One touch can show you care;

One life can make a difference;

Be that one today.