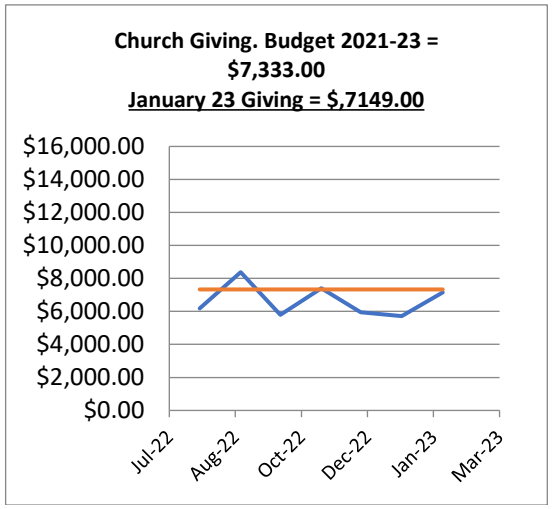
CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR JANUARY 2023

19 February	**Rev Jas**
Elder Duty:	Annette Paterson
Door Duty:	Fran Taylor / Alon Mayhew
Power Point:	Tracy Mayhew
Mini Bus:	Donna
Morning Tea:	Margaret Hamilton / Kate King
Offering Count:	Tracy / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Zane and Kim
Heroes Programme:	Marlene
Heroes Morning Tea:	Rev Jas

(Church Picnic after Service)

26 February	**Parish Council**
Elder Duty:	Bill White
Door Duty:	Moira / Margaret Hamilton
Power Point:	Allan Russell
Mini Bus:	Donna
Morning Tea:	Marlene Hawke / Fran Taylor
Offering Count:	Tracy / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Annette / Allan Russell
Heroes Programme:	Rev Jas
Heroes Morning Tea:	Anne Moffat

Giving Chart for Dec 2022 / Jan 2023



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Ministers Paragraph

Change?

Some like change but most of us (if we were to be honest) would feel that for change to occur, the energy expended in order to see it happen is far greater than the benefits created. Hence, resistance.

Change is hard but growth and forward momentum will never happen without it. So, there we are. Wanting to grow, wanting to move forward, knowing we need to, but nervous about the cost or toll it might take.

Psalm 23 reminds us, *"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me."*

In the times of change look to our elders, those mature in faith who have walked with the Lord for many years, who have seen much change in their lifetime but have never allowed their fears or anxieties to stall their journey. They have learnt that walking a tough path is made easier through the comfort and knowledge of God's partnership.
Rev Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: Rev Jas

Preacher: Rev Jas

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 on:
https://youtube.com/live/E5kG3RHCr8k?feature=share

READINGS: Romans 5 v 6 - 8

MESSAGE: Prayer

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to **Alan McIntosh.** God Bless you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 20 Feb: Acts 7 v 30 - 34
Tue 21 Feb: Romans 11 v 1 - 6 (Shrove Tuesday)
Wed 22 Feb: 2 Corinthians 5 v 20b – 6 v 10
(Ash Wednesday)
Thu 23 Feb: Romans 1 v 1 - 7
Fri 24 Feb: Romans 1 v 8 - 17
Sat 25 Feb: Matthew 18 v 1 - 7
Sun 26 Feb: Romans 5 v 12 - 19

THIS WEEK:

Mon 20 Feb: Fun with Music: Mary Blaikie
Fun with Music has had great start to the year on Monday with 18 pre-schoolers and babies attending with their mums or grandparents. There was a lot of joy at seeing each other again and surprise at how the little ones had grown and progressed. We do enjoy watching the transitions from sitting still to crawling and then walking and even running.

Any members of the church are very welcome to join us, just to be part of the friendly atmosphere and watch the little one's dance and play. It will lift your spirits.
We would like your prayers for this outreach: for our Christian witness to make a difference, for safety for children and parents and for blessings and good health for those who help with the programme. We would also like prayer for the future. We do not know where we can go when the church is being built. We need a suitable place to carry out this ministry, one that is approved by the Ministry of Education. It would be sad if we were unable to carry on.
I would like to thank the wonderful team of helpers who come each week and also those who provide morning tea for the adults during the term. We couldn't do it without you.

Thank you for your support and prayers.
Adele

Tue 21 Feb: Shrove Tuesday - Pancakes Breaky
7am – 8am. All welcome.

Wed 22 Feb: Ash Wednesday: Service at 7pm at John Knox.

COMING UP:
Wed 1 Mar: APW
We are booked at **Rymans Cafe** (Charles Upham Retirement Village) for afternoon tea at 2pm. We will carpool to get there leaving John Knox at 1.45pm unless you are being picked up at home. Talk to Annette to confirm times.
Members, please note that **World Day of Prayer** is on Friday 3rd March. More info next week about that. Ring or speak to Annette for more information.

Thu 2 Mar: Next Congregational Prayer Meeting

Prayer Breakfast: Friday 10 March from 7.30 – 8.30am.

OTHER NOTICES:

Season of Prayer and Fasting.
This starts from **TODAY** Sunday 19 Feb and resources are available now.

Today, we are having a **Church Family picnic** in **Victoria Park** after the service. Bring lunch and picnic blanket/chairs/games etc. All are welcome.

On behalf of the Connect Group, we are letting the JKR community know that the Connect Group has decided to discontinue as a Small group of John Knox Rangiora. Some members will still continue to gather as friends but this won't be under the banner of our Community Ministry. Watch this space for new connection options for new members or those looking to join a small group. Jas

STAMPS: Mary Stewart will be taking the APW stamps to a meeting in March. If you still have any from Christmas postage please leave with Tracy or Lynette Fowler, who prepares them for APW. We have had some great donations this year, including some from outside sources.

The St Andrews Mini Golf has been opened again! Does anyone have putters or balls they could donate, please? See Jas.

Selling Firewood: 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.