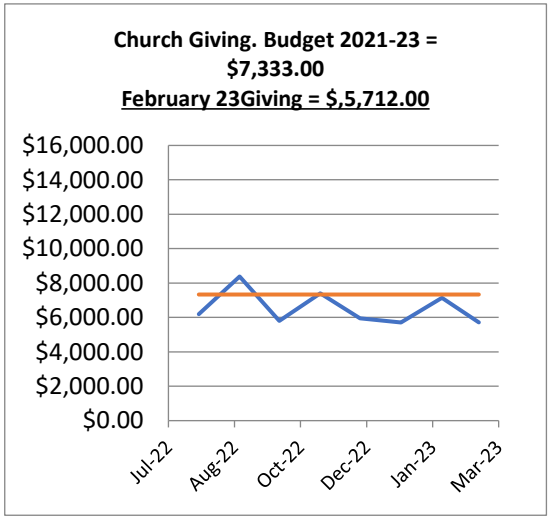
CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR APRIL 2023

2 April	**Rev Jas**
Elder Duty:	Annette Wright
Door Duty:	Lincoln and Anne Moffat
Power Point:	Alan Russell
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue Burt
Morning Tea:	Averil and Graham Gibson
Offering Count:	Alon / Gaye Edwards
Set-up Chairs:	Marlene / Richard McMurdo
Heroes Programme:	Lincoln
Heroes Morning Tea:	Gaye Edwards

9 April	**Rev Jas - Communion**
Elder Duty:	Annette Paterson
Door Duty:	Howard and Lynette Fowler
Power Point:	Annette Wright
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue Burt
Morning Tea:	Jack and Merle Wilcox
Offering Count:	Tracy / Allan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Lincoln and Anne Moffat
Heroes Programme:	No heroes today!
Heroes Morning Tea:	No heroes today!
	(Starts again 23 April)

Giving Chart for February 2023



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Ministers Paragraph

"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."
Matthew 11:28-30

As our capacity to join God in his Kingdom building decreases and the expectations of those who want the Kingdom built increases, we find ourselves pulled and pressed between the need and the ability. Who has found this?

The exercise of our faith needs to become a rhythm and not treadmill. Meaning, in order to not feel like we are expending ourselves again and again on the altar of performance, we need to find rhythms of grace that become natural and refreshing to us as we live out our love for God and our desire to experience His glory.

Have you found that rhythm lately?

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 at:
https://youtube.com/live/1RfW1t2ZeXE?feature=share

READINGS: Matthew 21 v 1 - 11

MESSAGE: Palm Sunday

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to John Goode, David Stenhouse and **Amei Courtney**. Blessings to you all.

Wedding Anniversary: Congratulations to **Jan and Herb Morriss on 64 years of marriage. God Bless you both.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 3 Apr: Hebrews 9 v 11 - 15
Tue 4 Apr: 1 Corinthians 18 - 31
Wed 5 Apr: Hebrews 12 v 1 - 3
Thu 6 Apr: 1 Corinthians 11 v 31b - 35
Fri 7 Apr: Hebrews 10 v 16 - 25
Sat 8 Apr: 1 Peter 4 v 1 - 8
Sun 9 Apr:

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!" Matthew 21 v 8 - 9

THIS WEEK:

Mon 3 Apr: Fun with Music: Hostess: Janice Wilson. (This is the final session for this term).

Wed 5 Apr: APW meets again at 2pm in the Wyllie Room. Members, please remember items for the Sales Table. We will be having an **Easter Programme.** Ring Annette Paterson (313 4116) for more information. ALL WELCOME.

Wed 5 Apr: Rangiora Community Choir performance. (See other notice)

Thu 6 Apr:

Fri 7 Apr: Good Friday Service at Trinity Methodist from 10.30am.

Sun 9 Apr: Easter Sunday Service at **John Knox** at 10am.

NEXT WEEK:
Mon 10 Apr: No **Fun with Music**

Thu 13 Apr: Prayer Meeting at Jas and Kate's home

COMING UP:

ANZAC DAY is on Tuesday 25 April.

Rangiora Community Choir

You are welcome to attend a Rangiora Community Choir performance which will be held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 5 April in the Methodist Church. This will be an informal evening of pre-Easter sacred and secular music. Admission $5 for music and supper.

OTHER NOTICES:

"Alpine Presbytery is seeking a new **Presbytery Treasurer.** If interested full details are on the notice board in the church foyer."

Bulbs

Daffodils, freesias, bluebells, snowflakes and tulips. Each bulb variety comes from a well- known nursery in $10 packets. A fundraiser for 'Ready to Learn' project in North Canterbury schools sponsored by Rotary. Inquiries Lynette Fowler 310 7891 or purchase from Fi's Flowers, 156 High Street.

The St Andrews Mini Golf

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.

Prayer for our friends: Please pray for Ron and Lyn O'Malley and Edna Van der Loon.

Mission Update

For the last 2 years our Women's Group (APW) has been helping to support Ryan Feng who was doing his Ministry Internship at Cromwell Presbyterian Church. Last week Mary Stewart, Sue Burt and Annette Paterson were privileged to attend the special service of Ordination and Induction of Ryan to the St Margaret's Church in Bishopdale. This is a brand new church building so it was special in more ways than one. A number of people spoke to welcome Ryan and Tara and their two little boys - Lucas and Nathaniel, wishing them all the best for their future ministry. Some were from Cromwell and Wanaka areas where they had worked earlier. After this great service (with singing which tried to lift the roof - as usual when all Presbytery get together!!) supper was served. We had a quick catch up with both Ryan and Tara at this time and they assure us they are now well settled in their home in Northwood. They hope to keep in touch with the APW at John Knox.
One other person sent his best wishes to all at John Knox - that was Jonathan Barb. He and his family are well and enjoying living in Linwood where he is Minister.
Annette Paterson