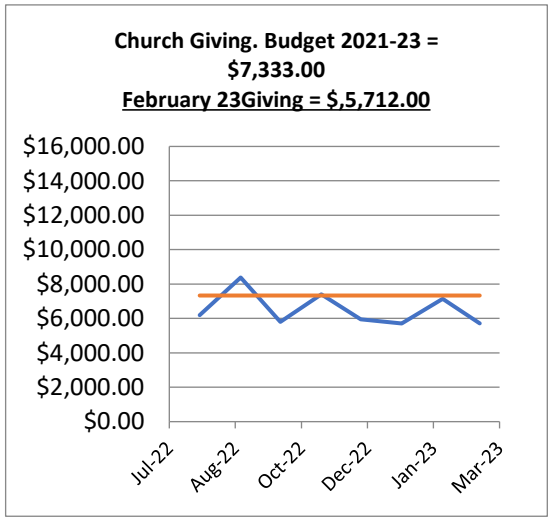
CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR MARCH 2023

26 March	**Sarah Scott – Webb**
	Parish Council
Elder Duty:	Richard McMurdo
Door Duty:	Gaye / Marj Denton
Power Point:	Marlene Hawke
Mini Bus:	Graham Gibson / Sue Burt
Morning Tea:	Howard and Lynette
Offering Count:	Annette / Anne
Set-up Chairs:	Annette / Alan Russell
Heroes Programme:	Jas
Heroes Morning Tea:	Jas

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

Giving Chart for February 2023



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Ministers Paragraph

Psalm 119:124 "Deal with your servant according to your love…"

The words of the Psalmist in this one line caused me to reflect this week of what I pray. Often my prayers are those of petition and need. Every once and a while I will pray for God to forgive me for my actions or my behaviour or my thoughts. (Probably more often than I would care to admit…)

A prayer I would be hesitant in sharing with God would be that of dealing with me according to His justice. Because I know I would not stand and would be overwhelmed by His judgement. But here, this prayer, in Psalm 119, is a prayer of humility, for God to look with love that is shaped by grace and be merciful towards us. A hope that despite all our flaws and faults that God might be able to look past these and reveal His love to us. A love that will redeem and reform and reconcile and restore.

Your love O Lord reaches beyond the heavens.
Thank you.

Rev Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: Parish Council
Preacher: Sarah Scott - Webb

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/ONBhQgMjhRI?feature=share

READINGS:

MESSAGE: Sarah's work with SIM International.

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to Gaye Edwards and Aspen Purdom. Blessings to you both.

Wedding Anniversary: Congratulations to Annette and Greg Wright on 48 years of marriage.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 27 Mar: Acts 20 v 7 - 12
Tue 28 Mar: Ephesians 2 v 1 - 10
Wed 29 Mar: Matthew 22 v 23 - 33
Thu 30 Mar: Philippians 1 v 1 - 11
Fri 31 Mar: Philippians 1 v 21 - 30
Sat 1 Apr: Mark 10 v 32 - 34
Sun 2 Apr: Philippians 2 v 5 - 11

THIS WEEK:

Mon 27 Mar: Fun with Music: Hostess: Margaret Hamilton

Tue 28 Mar: Young Adult's Group: meet at 7pm.

Wed 29 Mar:

Thu 30 Mar: Prayer Meeting: at Jas and Kate's home 1.30pm.

Fri 31 Mar:

NEXT WEEK:

Mon 3 Apr: Fun with Music: Hostess: Janice Wilson

Wed 5 Apr: Rangiora Community Choir performance. See notice.

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

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

COMING UP:

Rangiora Community Choir

You are welcome to attend a Rangiora Community Choir performance which will be held at 7.30 p.m. 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:

The St Andrews Mini Golf
Sadly, equipment has been vandalised 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.

Prayer for our friends:

Please pray for Ron and Lyn O'Malley and Edna Van der Loon.

Money Savers:

Use the microwave oven as often as you can as an alternative to the conventional oven. It uses a fraction of the energy.

Each week when you do the shopping, buy one extra item, such as tinned beans or tomatoes, and put it into a box. Then, come Christmas, you will almost have a free shopping week and will have that little bit of extra cash.

Handy Hints

Scone cutter. If you do not have a scone cutter, remove both ends of a small tin and use that instead.

Pull-top squeeze bottles. Clean out used squeeze top bottles – from mayonnaise or tomato sauce – and wash well. The bottles can be used to decorate cakes.