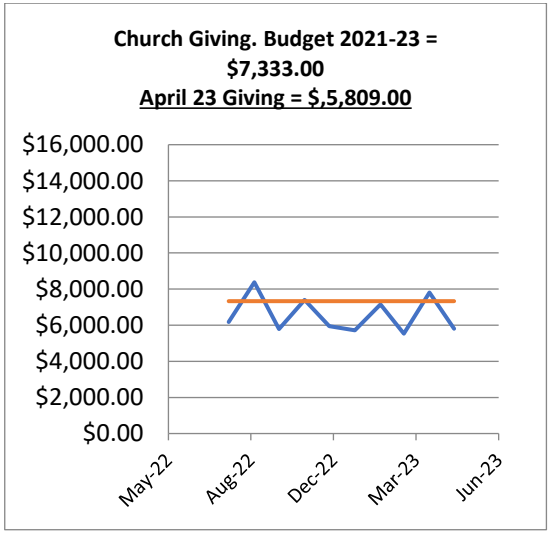
CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR MAY 2023

21 May	**Rev Bob Reid**
Elder Duty:	Bill White
Door Duty:	Margaret Vallance
	Marlene Hopkinson
Power Point:	Alan Russell
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue Burt
Morning Tea:	Annette Wright
	Margaret Hamilton
Offering Count:	Tracy / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Purdom family
Heroes Programme:	Rev Jas
Heroes Morning Tea:	Margaret Hamilton
28 May	**Rev Jas**
Elder Duty:	Gaye Edwards
Door Duty:	Kim / Marj Denton
Power Point:	Alan Russell
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue Burt
Morning Tea:	Fran Taylor / Anne Moffat
Offering Count:	Annette / Leigh
Set-up Chairs:	Marlene / Richard
Heroes Programme:	Kate
Heroes Morning Tea:	Jas

Giving Chart for April 2023



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Ministers Paragraph

"By now you should be teachers. Instead, you still need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word. You need milk, not solid food." Hebrews 5:12

Growing up is not for the faint hearted. I'm reminded of the image in Hebrews where the writer talks about needing to transition well and look at the need to be teachers of the faith rather than still struggling with the fundamentals. In our faith we need to be constantly growing as disciples where we move from the "milk" the Hebrews writer suggests to the "solid food" those who are mature in the faith are digesting.

At the Young Adults Story Group on Tuesday night, we had a discussion around transitioning from youth into young adults and some of the pro's and con's around this. Even in the area of faith. Moving from the milk to solid food. I look at my own faith journey and realise that over time I too have made this transition and it hasn't been easy which I imagine could happen at any age.

What transitions have you witnessed in your own faith journey?

Rev Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: Rev Bob Reid

Preacher: Rev Bob Reid

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 today on:
https://www.youtube.com/live/HPanWZ4Qf68?feature=share

READINGS: 1 Peter 2 v 1–8, 1 Peter 2 v 9 - 10
MESSAGE: Our High Calling

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to **Caleb Russ, Bob Reid** and **Sherryn Blackburn.** God Bless you all.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 22 May: 1 Peter 4 v 1 - 6
Tue 23 May: 1 Peter 4 v 7 - 11
Wed 24 May: John 3 v 31 - 36
Thu 25 May: Acts 2 v 1 - 11
Fri 26 May: Romans 8 v 14 - 17
Sat 27 May: Matthew 5 v 1 - 12
Sun 28 May: Acts 2 v 1 - 21

THIS WEEK:

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Mon 22 May: Fun with Music: Marlene Hawke.

Tue 23 May: Meal Preparation from 9am in the Church kitchen. There will be a cook up at church from 9am. If you are able to help, ***would you please let me know.*** If you can help financially towards this Ministry, would you please put any donations in an envelope marked Meal Ministry and place in the tithe and offering basket. Thank you for your support. Sue Burt

Wed 24 May: CONNECT at Jason's from 10 til 11am.
Enjoy a cuppa and chat. Meet other church folk in a relaxed situation.

Thu 25 May: There will be no Prayer Meeting today.

OTHER NOTICES:

A REMINDER: Just a reminder to all that you have a chance each month to give groceries to the Inter Church Food Bank run by the Rangiora Salvation Army. You may put items into the Basket in the Foyer on any Sunday. On the second Sunday in the month, I collect these goods and deliver them to the Salvation Army during that week. Just one thing to note - ***PLEASE CHECK THE DATES ON THE GROCERIES ARE NOT TOO OLD!!***
I always get a warm welcome at the Salvation Army when I deliver these - usually one sometimes two boxes - which help them to do their work in our community.
Annette Paterson

"Operation Coverup"
Knitting for this project has to be finished by the end of May. We will gather all the knitting together and it will be delivered to the Baptist Church the week before King's Birthday weekend.
Hygiene and stationery items are needed also.
There is a big shortage of mittens knitted in double knitting wool (not fingerless). It would be great to have some of these to add to our contributions.
If you need a knitting pattern please ring Adele – 02102500519.
Thank you to all those who are busy knitting for this good cause.

From the Finance Team: It's that time of year again for tax returns, so if anybody needs help, please get in touch with one of the finance team. Remember, this will give you a return from your donations given throughout the financial year just ended. Also, if you are willing, this can then be given back to the church as an extra donation.
Tracy Mayhew Richard McMurdo
Margaret Hamilton Annette Wright

Emergency Pastoral Details Reminder.
The Pastoral Care Team *would like to have all the Emergency detail forms returned. Please leave them in the grey office box in the foyer, thank you. If you have any questions about these, please see Moira or Jas.*

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

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: Janice and Ross, Justine and Patrick (daughter and grandson of Lincoln and Anne Moffat), Jan Morriss, Maureen Day, Ron and Lyn O'Malley, Edna Van Der Loon, Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.

HANDY HINTS

Herbs. To freeze fresh herbs, chop then pack them into ice-cube trays, top up with water and freeze solid. Store herb cubes in plastic bags in the freezer.

Before freezing **mince meat**, flatten it into a square or into burger shapes, rather than leaving it in a mound. This way, it will thaw faster when needed.

Lemons. Whole lemons will freeze successfully if you wrap them in aluminium foil before putting them in the freezer.

Use toothpaste to clean **stained crockery**. It is safe, cheap and you always have it in the house.