CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR JULY 2023

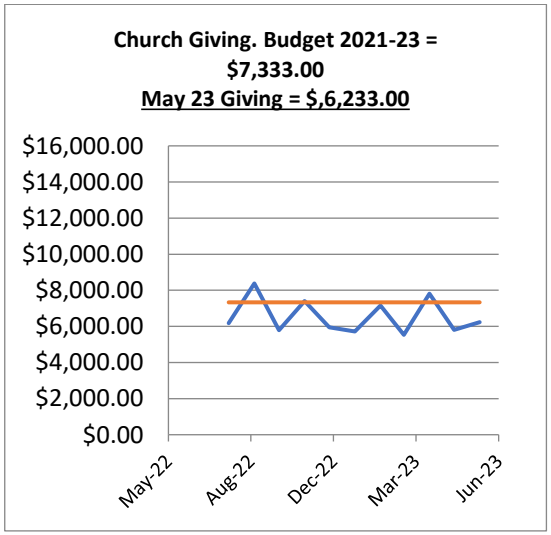
2 July:

Elder Duty:	Bill White
Door Duty:	Howard and Lynette
Power Point:	Annette Wright
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue
Morning Tea:	Maureen Landreth Marlene Hawke
Offering Count:	Tracy / Gaye
Set-up Chairs:	Lincoln and Blackburn's
Heroes Programme:	Marlene Hawke
Heroes Morning Tea:	Rev Jas

9 July:

Elder Duty:	Richard McMurdo
Door Duty:	Kim / Moira Courtney
Power Point:	Annette Wright
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue
Morning Tea:	Anne Moffat / Gaye Edwards
Offering Count:	Tracy / Howard
Set-up Chairs:	Purdoms
Heroes Programme:	School holidays
Heroes Morning Tea:	N/A

Giving Chart for May 2023



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2 July 2023

Ministers Paragraph

"It is always darkest before the dawn."

From the 17th century English theologian and historian Thomas Fuller.

An encouragement to those who are not feeling at peace with where they are at in the present. Encouragement to those feeling overwhelmed or underappreciated. A sign of hope that what you are enduring is only the steep dunes you climb before you crest the dunes to see the beautiful sunrise on the horizon.

Paul wrote to the church in Corinth, *"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."*

How exciting it is to wonder what God has for us just around the corner. Especially if we remain in Him, in his family and in his word.

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 today on https://youtube.com/live/fzFVbp6JviU?feature=share

READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 2 v 1 - 20

MESSAGE: 1 Thessalonians 2

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to **Joan Shearer** and **Rose Hancox.** God Bless you both.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 3 July: 1 Thessalonians 4 v 9 - 12
Tue 4 July: 1 John 4 v 1 - 6
Wed 5 July: Matthew 11 v 20 - 24
Thu 6 July: Romans 7 v 1 - 6
Fri 7 July: Romans 7 v 7 - 20
Sat 8 July: Luke 10 v 21 - 24
Sun 9 July: Romans 7 v 15 – 25a

THIS WEEK:

Mon 3 July: **Fun with Music:** Closed.
Wed 5 July: **CONNECT** not on for two weeks.
Wed 5 July: **APW** meet at 1.30pm for **AGM**

COMING UP:

APW meets on **Wednesday 5 July at 1.30pm** in the Wyllie Room for members. This is for our **A.G.M.** At 2pm our speaker arrives and possibly some visitors. Our speaker is **Megan Waddington** who works for Presbyterian Support as a Community Relations Advisor. Any of our Congregation who are interested to hear Megan speak about the work of Presbyterian Support are most welcome to attend - from 2pm. We will be serving Afternoon tea and a Sales Table will be open after Megan speaks. More information ring Annette 313 4116.

Thu 13 July: **Prayer Meeting** at Jas and Kate's home at 1.30pm.
Fri 14 July: **Matariki Holiday – Office closed.**

OTHER NOTICES:

JOHN KNOX ANNUAL MINI MARKET
Saturday 18 November

This gives us 20 weeks to plan and prepare - to plant and grow garden cuttings; to make jams, pickles or preserves; to bake yummy cakes, etc;
to sort out books and/or jigsaws that need a new home.
Next Sunday, a clipboard list will be at church for you to put your name down to help on a certain stall and/or provide goods for sale at a certain stall. Please think about how you can help at this important fundraising event for our Church.

Annette Paterson for Mini Market Committee

Christmas Tree Fundraiser: We are selling Christmas Trees as a fundraiser at Christmas… 2025… To do this we are wanting to plant some trees in our front/back yards. This is the second year we are doing this and I invite those who are willing and able to take a tree each year and plant it in their garden or in a pot each year. when the time is right we will harvest them at Christmas and sell them at the church for a fundraiser! Seedlings are available from the church over the next two weeks. Jas

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

Prayer for our friends: Please pray for: Adele and John and their daughter-in-law Chris, Marlene and Ken Hawke and family, Janice and Ross, Justine and Patrick, Jan Morriss, Maureen Day, Ron and Lyn O'Malley, Edna Van Der Loon, Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.

URGENT APPEAL from cbm (Christian Blind Mission)– Food crisis in Kenya

People in Kenya are suffering with an evolving food crisis due to a serious drought situation.
Farmers are literally making the choice – whether to plant the seeds they have, in the hope their crops will grow, or give them to their families to eat.
Crops are drying up. Livestock are dying in their droves. cbm's team is helping people with disabilities gain urgent access to food and water supplies, as well as giving them access to mobility aids needed to survive this crisis, and the necessary medical supplies to protect them and their families from the effects of malnutrition. Please will you prayerfully consider sending an urgent gift today to help children and adults caught up in this food crisis.
The fastest ways you can give are:-
Go to www.cbmnz.org.nz/kenya-drought .Phone your gift in on 0800 77 22 64. Include any support in the offering clearly marked "CBM Kenya"

Correction to new Phone Directory:

Brenda McIntosh address should read:
SA 201 (not 5/A 201)