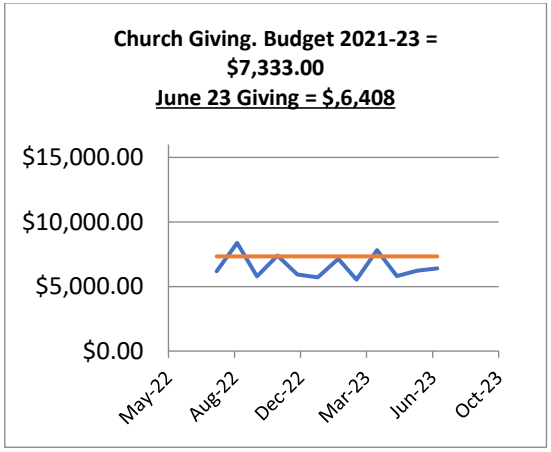
CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

10 September	**Rev Jas - Communion**
Elder Duty:	Kayla Crampton
Door Duty:	Moira Courtney
	Marlene Hopkinson
Power Point:	Richard McMurdo
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue
Morning Tea:	Howard and Lynette Fowler
Offering Count:	Annette / Anne
Set-up Chairs:	Purdom's
Heroes Programme:	Lincoln
Heroes Morning Tea:	Rev Jas

17 September	**Pastoral Care Team**
Elder Duty:	Ewen Nichol
Door Duty:	Kim / Margaret Vallance
Power Point:	Richard
Mini Bus:	Donna / Sue
Morning Tea:	Anne Moffat / Kate King
Offering Count:	Tracy / Anne
Set-up Chairs:	Russell, Eric and Peggy
Heroes Programme:	Rev Jas
Heroes Morning Tea:	Gaye Edwards

Giving Chart for June 2023



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Ministers Paragraph

You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. Romans 8:9

As Paul writes this, he is contrasting two sides to our nature. Flesh and Spirit. He's not saying that we are not made of flesh and bone in a physical sense as in fact we are very much flesh and bone as Jesus was too. And in fact our flesh and bone was created good by God right back in the beginning. What Paul ***is*** contrasting is what we live out of. Do we live out of what the flesh requires or out of what the Spirit of God requires?

There is a little parallel statement of the Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ as being the same thing. Paul also has a little passive aggressive dig at his readers too. For those not familiar with God's Spirit or are not willing to be led by God's Spirit then the likelihood that they are not really followers of Jesus is quite high.

How are you being led by the Spirit of Christ? How does the Spirit of God shape the way you live?

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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/pav7buG9ggU?feature=share

READINGS: Ezra 3
MESSAGE: The Book of Ezra

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: Charlotte Sturgeon and **Annabel Stenhouse.** God Bless you both.

Condolences: It is with sadness that we inform of the passing of **Philip Cath** on Thursday this week. Philip was an Elder here at John Knox from 1964. Our prayers of comfort go out to Karen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 11 Sep: 1 Peter 2 v 11 - 17
Tue 12 Sep: Romans 13 v 1 - 7
Wed 13 Sep: Matthew 21 v 18 - 22
Thu 14 Sep: 1 John 3 v 11 - 16
Fri 15 Sep: Acts 7 v 9 - 16
Sat 16 Sep: Matthew 6 v 7 – 15
Sun 17 Sep: Romans 14 v 1 - 12

THIS WEEK:

Mon 11 Sep: Fun with Music: Adele Warburton.

Wed 13 Sep: CONNECT meet at the home of Rev Jas. Join us for a cuppa and chat from 10-11am.

Thu 14 Sep: Parish Prayer Meeting 1.3pm at the home of Rev Jas at 32 Kingsbury Avenue, Rangiora.

Fri 15 Sep: End of Term 3 for Schools.

OTHER NOTICES:
Shed Talk: Starting in September we are having our first Monthly **Shed Talk**. This is open to anyone who wants to come and have Breakfast and a tour around the Shed of one of our Church members. We will start at 8.30am and the host will provide breakfast before we will have a tour of the Shed or Workshop. The Host will share a story of something in their Shed and we will finish by 9.30am. There will be a donation to cover costs of the breakfast. The first Shed Talk will be 8.30am on the 23rd of September and Jason and Kate will be hosting at 32 Kingsbury Ave. Please RSVP on the list in the foyer for catering numbers. Any Questions contact Jas.

Church AGM: We are ***DELAYING the Church AGM*** to the **29 October.**

House sitter required
We need someone to look after our dog, Griff (5), and Lisa (14), our cat as well as my 40+ goldfish in the outside pond. The dates are: **16 December to 13 January.** This may suit family or friends visiting for a long holiday...
We have a large four-bedroom home in a quiet lane (with fantastic neighbours!) and all conveniences of modern-day life: unlimited internet, Netflix, Disney Plus, Sky TV, gaming room, large garden complete with football goal and mature gardens. We live in the township of Woodend, North Canterbury. 25kms north of Christchurch, just over an hour from Hanmer Springs, Kaikoura and Akaroa are day trips too. Lots of beaches nearby to make the most of the summer sun!
Contact Megan Waddington 0221082007

Firewood:
We have another pile of logs at Lincoln's to be cut up for next year. If you are competent with a chainsaw or just want to give a hand, please see Jas.

JOHN KNOX ANNUAL MINI MARKET

Saturday 18 November

This gives us **10 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.
Please think about how you can help at this important fundraising event for our Church. Annette Paterson

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

Prayer for our friends: Please pray for: Russell and Jill Drake, Nell Ellis, Helen O'Brien and her husband Murray, Janice and Ross, Ron and Lyn O'Malley, Edna Van Der Loon, Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.

Monthly Combined Hymn Service
The service is now scheduled to happen on the fourth Wednesday of the month till December 2023, the next being Sep 27.
Rev Jason King and Rev Darryn Hickling will be leading the services.

Tool Saver
To stop your tools going rusty, save all your scraps of chalk and toss them into the tool box. Any moisture will be absorbed by the chalk and you will have no more rusty tools. After using, just wipe them over with s slightly oiled rag and put them back into the tool box.

When ants are a problem, just sprinkle cinnamon around. It's too hot for them to cross.