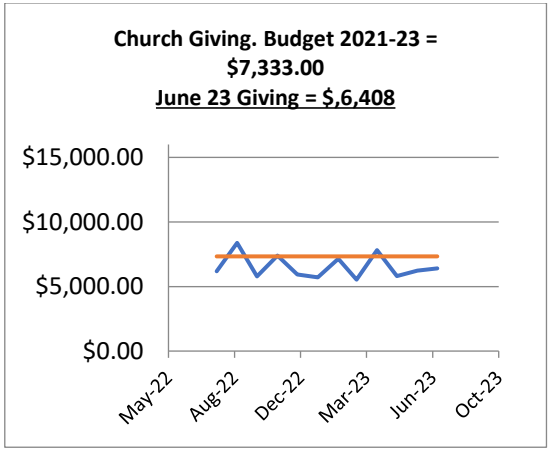
CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR OCTOBER 2023

22 October	**Lincoln Moffat**
Elder Duty:	Bill White
Door Duty:	Moira / Gaye
Power Point:	Marlene Hawke
Mini Bus:	Gaye / Donna
Morning Tea:	Joan Shearer / Annette Wright
Offering Count:	Gaye / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Lincoln / Blackburns
Heroes Programme:	Rev Jas
Heroes Morning Tea:	Margaret

29 October	**Rev Jas**
Elder Duty:	Richard McMurdo
Door Duty:	Lincoln and Anne
Power Point:	Tracy Mayhew
Mini Bus:	
Morning Tea:	Maureen Landreth / Fran
Offering Count:	Tracy / Alan McIntosh
Set-up Chairs:	Marlene / Bill and Leigh
Heroes Programme:	Kate
Heroes Morning Tea:	Jas

Giving Chart for June 2023



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22 October 2023

Your poets, your statues and idols, your culture is now mine!

Read that line again and have a think about how it makes you feel. It should make you feel nervous and a little on edge. And as we think and feel it, we could firstly imagine capitulation and submission to the values of the surrounding culture. An abandonment of our focus and exclusive commitment to Jesus as Lord.

Or… if we are strong enough… if we have the faith… if we are imaginative, creative and apostolic in our approach to mission… we could read the line through the lens of redemption.

Coming back to Acts 17, the Apostle Paul took the objects of worship of the Athenians, their city and their poets and reasoned with the members of the Areopagus that ***God*** is in fact the object of their worship. Redeeming the elements of their culture, taking the populace through their intended, limited purpose to land safely at the feet of the one in whom "…we live and move and have our being." How are we redeeming our own culture in the name of Jesus?

Rev Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: Anne Moffat
Preacher: Lincoln Moffat

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 on:
https://youtube.com/live/P_JbNUE6leQ?feature=share

READINGS: TBA

MESSAGE: TBA

Rugby World Cup Final: ***If*** the All Blacks make it to the Rugby World Cup Final, we will be playing the final ***Live*** on the big screen in the Wyllie Room at Church from 8am until the final whistle! This means that you won't miss the game and can make it to Church!!

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes: to **Jas King, Pam Middlemiss** and **Bruce Morriss.** God Bless you all.

Condolences: to the family of **Olive Anderson** who passed away in her sleep. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
A service of remembrance for Olive Anderson will be held at John Knox Rangiora, 2.30pm on the 25th of October.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 23 Oct: Revelation 18 v 1 - 10
Tue 24 Oct: Revelation 18 v 21 - 24
Wed 25 Oct: Matthew 17 v 22 - 27
Thu 26 Oct: Titus 1 v 5 - 16
Fri 27 Oct: Titus 2 v 7 – 8,
2 v 11 - 15
Sat 28 Oct: John 5 v 39 - 47
Sun 29 Oct: 1 Thessalonians 2 v 1 - 8

THIS WEEK:

Mon 23 Oct: Fun with Music: LABOUR DAY

Tue 24 Oct: Tracy out of the office
Wed 25 Oct: Tracy out of the office
CONNECT at Jas's home from 10 – 11am
Combined Hymn Service at 1pm
Funeral for Olive Anderson 2.30pm.

Sat 28 Oct: Shed Talk at the home of Bill and Leigh White – 121 Loburn Whiterock Road, Loburn. 8.30am.

Sun 29 Oct: Church AGM after the service.

OTHER NOTICES:

Meeting An Old Friend
On our recent trip to Rarotonga, we met Catriona and Chris Baker by chance. Some of you will remember Catriona attending John Knox with her late father Bill Christie. Contact us for an update on Catriona's family and future plans. Lynette and Howard Fowler

Shed Talk:
We have our next **Shed Talk** next Saturday, 28th of October 8.30am at Bill and Leigh White's place. 121 Loburn-Whiterock rd. Please register for catering purposes or email me before Wednesday morning. Jas

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.

Monthly Combined Hymn Service
The service is now scheduled to happen on the fourth Wednesday of the month till December 2023, the next being ***November 22.***
Rev Jason King and Rev Darryn Hickling will be leading the services.

Prayer for our friends: Please pray for Donna, 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.

Invisible Housework
Scrubbing and cleaning
All day on the run….
Nobody notices
Unless it's not done.

JOHN KNOX ANNUAL MINI MARKET

Saturday 18 November

This gives us **4 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

Books and Jigsaws for Church Fair We are ready to receive these items at church or by arrangement. Please limit all church donations to 2 supermarket bags or wine boxes per person. DEFINITELY NO HEAVY BOOKS – including cook and reference books, and no magazines unless they are recent. If the boxed or bagged containers are too heavy for your elderly mother, they are too heavy for us. Jigsaws may be donated in a larger box. Both books and jigsaws must be in very good to new condition. Please, phone or email us first if you want to donate a larger collection or need items collected.
Lynette and Howard Fowler 03 310 7891.

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

A bee is never as busy as it seems;

It's just that it can't buzz any slower!

Faith is seeing light with your heart when all your eyes see is darkness.