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23rd June

Rebuilding God's Church

I keep thinking about the image of a Garden where there are rhythms of planting, and sowing and weeding and fertilizing and harvesting. I think about the crops that my parents planted and the types of food my family and I eat today and the differences between them. I think about how the soil needs to be cared for and needs nutrients added regularly. I think about restoring parts of the garden that have gone to weed or have laid barren for a while and what needs to be put into the soil to give it life again.

And I think about no matter how much I do and prepare the garden, there is an outside influence that is needed to actually make the garden grow and produce. I can do everything I can to give the garden life but I am still dependent on the quality of the seeds and seedlings, the bees, the rain, the sun to bring all my hard work to fruition. Without these things my garden is nothing but toil and resource.

May we enjoy the labour and rhythms of gardening and may God take the toil of our hands and bring out a bountiful harvest for His kingdom.
Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: Jas
Preacher: Jas

Our Service will be streamed online today at:
https://youtube.com/live/-17nOce2Q0I?feature=share

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: For those interested in praying for our Sunday Service, a brief prayer time will be held ***in the Totara Club.***

READINGS: Corinthians 4:1-5

The Worship Hymns and Songs:

1. Come Thou Font
2. Holy Spirit Living Breath
3. Search Me O God
4. When It's All Been Said and Done
5. Lord Dismiss Us

CELEBRATIONS:

Birthday Wishes*: Terry Courtney, Joan Shearer* ***- May God Bless you both richly!***

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 24 June:	Acts 27:13-38
Tue 25 June:	Acts 27:39-44
Wed 26 June:	Mark 6:45-52
Thu 27 June:	2 Corinthians 7:2-16
Fri 28 June:	2 Corinthians 8:1-7
Sat 29 June:	Luke 4:31-37
Sun 30 June:	Mark 5:21-43

THIS WEEK:

- **26th June:** Connect, 10am, at the Kings
- **28th June:** Matariki – Public Holiday
- **2nd July:** Young Adults Group, 7pm, at the Kings
- **3rd July:** Connect, 10am, at the Kings
- **5th July:** Last day of Term 2. School holidays 6 – 20th July

- **OTHER NOTICES AND EVENTS:**
- No Connect, Heroes or Fun with Music between 6 – 20th July due to School holidays.
- Church AGM scheduled 28th July. Annual Reports will be distributed 21st July. Any reports to be included, please send to Tracy by 14th July.
- Christmas Tree Fundraiser: Christmas Tree seedlings are available soon. We invite everyone to take some home to grow. Registrations for names and amounts will be collected. Jas can drop off seedlings if needed.
- Shed talk for July TBC

Prayer for our friends:
Please pray for *Annette Wright*, *Allan Russell, Donna, Edna Van Der Loon, Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.*

CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR JUNE 2024

23 June

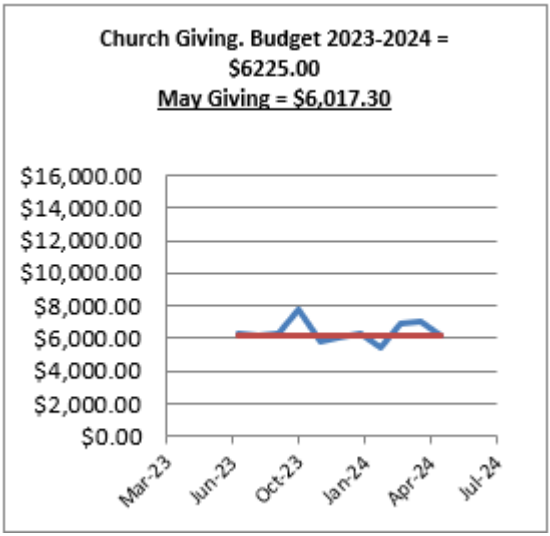
Elder Duty: Gaye Edwards	**Door Duty:** Alon and Tracy Mayhew
Power Point: April McMurdo	**Mini Bus:** Lana and Sue
Morning Tea: Avril and Graham Gibson	**Offering Count:** Tracy and Alan McIntosh
Set-up chairs: Lincoln & Whites	**Heroes Leader:** Kate
Heroes Morning Tea: Jas	**Fun with Music:** Mary Blaikie (24th)

30 June

Elder Duty: Richard McMurdo	**Door Duty:** Howard and Lynette
Power Point: Tracey Mayhew	**Mini Bus:** Graham and Donna
Morning Tea: Gaye Edwards and Margaret Hamilton	**Offering Count:** Annette and Gaye
Set-up chairs: Richard and Cheongs	**Heroes Leader:** Lincoln

Heroes Morning Tea: Gaye	**Fun with Music:** Shared morning tea

Giving Chart for May 2024:



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