John Knox
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02 November 2025

Luke 6:35 But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.

Kindness is something that is a gift. Something that says more about yourself than of those who are recipients. It is freely given and could easily be one of the greatest gifts we can offer as Christians. Sometimes it is as simple as a smile, a word of encouragement, opening the door for someone or a moment of patience when you are busy. We can all think of times someone has been kind to us and how that made us feel.

Being kind may feed the danger that you will be taken advantage of or that your kindness in some way approves of the behaviour of someone who is undeserving. But that is what makes kindness even more powerful, more fragile, more beautiful.

We are all the recipients of God's kindness. Do you remember what you did to earn God's love, His favour? No. Because you didn't. You are loved by God because He is kind and gracious to all irrespective of their merits or worth. This is our God, the one who saw beyond our worth or virtue (or lack thereof) and chose to gift us with a Church family, an ever-present companion in the Holy Spirit and life eternal in His coming kingdom
Ngā mihi nui (Warm Regards)
Jas

CHURCH SERVICE TODAY

Service Leader: **Jas**
Preacher: **Jas**

YouTube Link:
https://youtube.com/live/yghl9YiPkz8?feature=share

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: 9.45am in Barrett Room

READINGS:
1 Corinthians 12:12
1 Corinthians 12:13
1 Corinthians 12:14

The Worship Hymns and Songs:
Wairua Tapu
Come as you Are
We Rest on Thee
Whakaaria Mai/How Great Thou Art

CELEBRATIONS:
Birthdays: *Linda Kevern, Janice Wilson*
Wedding Anniversaries: none this week
May The Lord bless you and keep you well 😊

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 03 November:	**1 Corinthians 5:9-13**
Tue 04 November:	**Jude 1:5-21**
Wed 05 November:	**Luke 19:11-27**
Thu 06 November:	**Acts 22:22-23:11**
Fri 07 November:	**Acts 24:10-23**
Sat 08 November:	**Luke 20:1-8**
Sun 09 November:	**Luke 20:27-38**

NOTICES:

- **Tuesday 4th November:** Young Adults, 7pm, JKR
- **Friday 7th November:** Hard Knox Café, 6.30 – 8.30pm. Fish n Chips at the beach. Meet at JKR by 6.30pm, returning at 8.30pm. $10 to cover costs and fish n chips. Check out and follow our instagram page *Hard_Knox_Cafe*
- **Friday 21st November:** Hard Knox Café, 6.30 – 8.30pm, JKR
- **Friday 5th December:** Hard Knox Café end of year celebration, 6.30 – 8.30pm, JKR
- **PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE**

The Parish Council met on Wednesday 29th October. Key items discussed included:
Xmas Services. There will be a combined service with the Methodist Church on Xmas Eve. The Council would like feedback on whether we hold a service on Xmas Day. Please let Jason or Craig know if you would be interested in attending a service at John Knox.
Solar power. The Council asked Craig to investigate options for solar power generation at JK including potential funding opportunities.
Recognition of significant service to JK. The Council discussed how to appropriately recognise those who have passed who have made a significant contribution to the work of JK.

Christmas Day Service
The Parish Council is considering holding a Christmas Day Service and would like to know who might attend. Please message Jas within the next two weeks if you'd be interested in coming.
Christmas Tree Fundraiser
Our first Christmas Tree sale will be on **13 December**. If you're growing trees for the fundraiser, please note the number available on the foyer clipboard. Collection will be **Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning**. Thanks, Jas.
Preaching Team Meeting
Next **Sunday, 9 November**, after Church.
Stations of the Cross
If you'd like to take part by preparing a Station for next Easter's presentation, please speak with **Grenville**.

Young Adults
Meeting this **Tuesday, 4 November, 7pm at JKR**. Open to all Year 13 and over.

Church Policies
The Council is continuing its policy review, with the **Health and Safety Policy** next in line for revision.

- Looking for a simple way to support our church—without spending a cent? 😊Our minibus team needs more drivers (just a regular car licence needed) and support helpers to assist our lovely passengers. With a few more volunteers, you'd only be on duty for 2 consecutive weeks every couple of months.
  If you're interested, chat with Richard McMurdo: 021 117 5300

September 2025

	Current Month		Year to Date		Annual	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget	Forecast
Total Months Giving	9 ,466	7,420	26,271	24,115	96,460	98,616

Prayer for our friends:
Our neighbouring Parishes: Oxford Union, Kaiapoi Co-operating Parish, Kowai-Cheviot Presbyterian Parish Amberley as they go through seasons of change, *Rev Robert Robati-Mani and family*, *Judith Spiggs, Jean Jeffrey, Janice and Ross Wilson, Donna Abernethy, Clare Calder*, *Mary Stewart and Ian Cormack.*

CHURCH DUTY ROSTER FOR NOVEMBER 2025
02 November

Elder Duty: Alon Mayhew	**Door Duty**: Fran Taylor and Marlene Hopkinson
Power Point: April McMurdo	**Mini Bus:** Richard McM and Lincoln M
Morning Tea: Marlene Hopkinson and Daphne Begley	**Offering Count:** Gaye and Chris
Readings:	**Heroes Leader:**

Gaye E	Megan
Prayers: Richard Morris	**Fun with Music:** Sue Burt

09 November

Elder Duty: Kayla Crampton	**Door Duty**: Lynette Fowler and Maureen Landreth
Power Point: April McMurdo	**Mini Bus:** Gaye and Lincoln
Morning Tea: Anne Moffat and Lana Stevens	**Offering Count:** Tracy/Annette
Readings: Richard McMurdo	**Heroes Leader:** Kate
Prayers: Gaye Edwards	**Fun with Music:** Marlene H and Marlene H

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