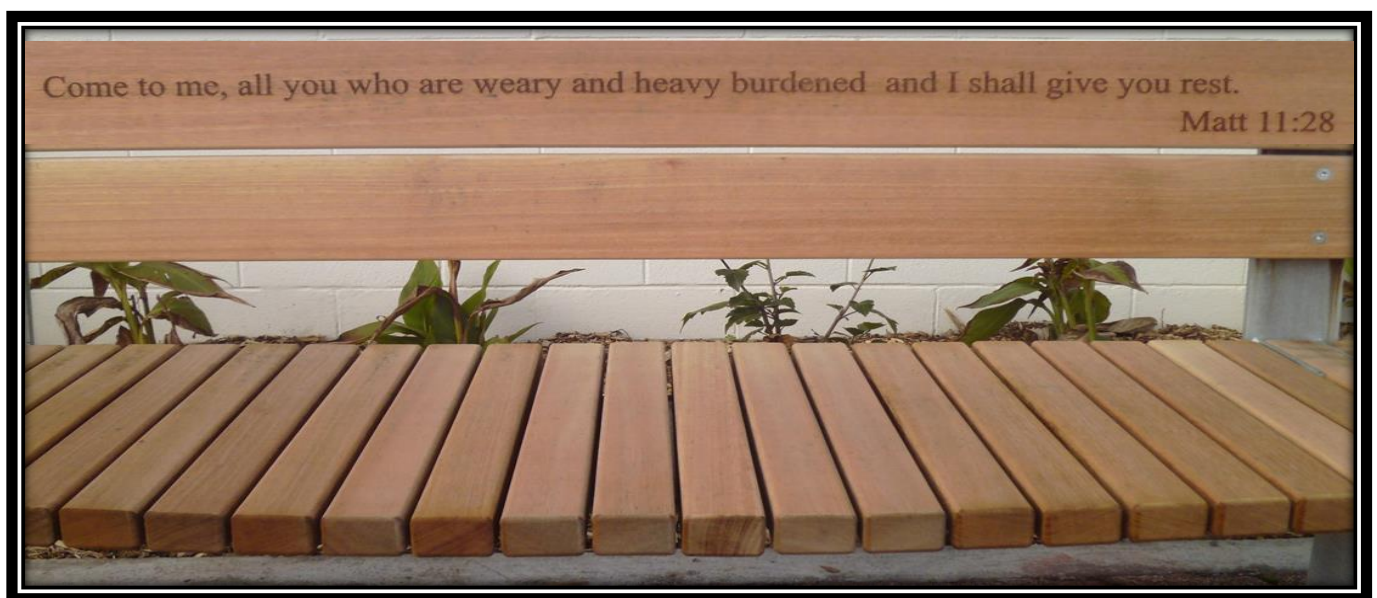


SAINT ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Newsletter August – September 2019



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If Parish Members have any pastoral concerns please contact any of the above

ST ANDREW'S TEXTING CARE CIRCLE



If there is someone with a need, contact the Pastoral Care Group, the Minister a member of the Parish Council, or self-refer by phoning or texting Ken Hutchison on **021 078 4923**

Ken will text members of the Texting Care Circle to keep the person or need in their thoughts and prayers.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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Jill's Musings

Kia orana tatou,

It is hard to be in community, something I learned when I lived in and worked for the Iona Community on the Isle of Scotland. We were thrown together as people of different ages and from countries all around the world, doing life together 24/7. I have often described my year on the resident group there as 'life in concentrated form.' With a myriad of guests and volunteers coming and going there was a constant state of forming new connections with people and then saying goodbye. Iona was described by George Macleod, the founder of the Iona Community, as a thin place – where the membrane between the spiritual and the material world is thinner than in other places. Certainly, it is a place that transforms people, where people experience God, Christ and the Holy Spirit in new ways.

It certainly was a transformational place for me, it was grace-filled with so much learning and growth. Which of course tends to come more readily through the tough times than the easy ones. I have said before that whenever 2 or 3 are gathered... there will be conflict. I had a conversation with one of our parishioners who is living in an aged care rest home and they shared with me, as so many have over the years, how tough it is to go from your own home where you determine what happens to going into a rest home where so many things are determined for you for example when to eat. On top of that is the building connections with new people, moving from a house to one room and the myriad of new changes that this new phase of life brings.

Recently, at a rest home service at Eversley (and at St Andrews too) we talked about the fruits of the spirit that Paul names in Galatians 5:22-23, namely love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. At the Eversley service we talked about the one that we find easier and the ones that we find challenging and it was different for us all. For some love or joy came easily while patience was harder. There was a mix of responses reminding us all how different we are but that indeed we do have different gifts, or strengths. It is part of our transformation and growth to develop the spiritual gifts that don't come so naturally, because each of these fruits of the spirit help us immensely when we are in community with one another, as we are at St Andrews - doing life together endeavouring to follow Christ's way through the power of the Holy Spirit. We are in this together and we will do things or fail to do things that will at times annoy, disappoint or hurt one another - each of us. I hope and pray that if you are feeling concerned or upset about any aspect of our life together that you would talk to the person concerned, to one of our elders or to me.

Something that we have been spending some time thinking about at as Elders at St Andrews is how we best ensure that all of our church family feel cared for and connected. There are some people who are visited by their elders within their pastoral

district, but there are many of the traditional districts that no longer have an elder attached to them and so over the last few years we have moved to a pastoral care phoning system for our 10am people. Here our pastorally gifted people have a number of people with whom they are in regular contact by phone. Over the next few weeks we will be mapping who is in contact with who to ensure that everyone is connected and cared for. If you would like me to visit, I would love it if you would let me know.

While there already exists a strong sense of care and connectedness within our Cook Islands we will be spending some time exploring how we can make this better and how we can better connect both our Papa'a and Cook Islands people, since we are of course one family in Christ.

As a faith community, we have experienced a great deal of loss over the past 6 weeks with the deaths of Bev Nash, Mary Lambert, Taputu Kautai and Moira Stewart, as well as Lloyd Curtis who whose funeral was held at St Andrews. For all within our church family who are struggling with grief, know that you are in our prayers.

Blessings
Jill

Notes from the Parish Council Clerk

Well here we are already midway through another year. Winter can be a challenge for many of us with the usual plethora of colds, flu and other ailments.

If my animals could speak, I'm sure they would have a chorus of complaints too! The good thing about this season is that it is a prelude to spring and the abundant new life that we will soon see. Church can have its seasons too but always brimming with promise on what's ahead. On that note we have several events coming up.

First of all hasn't it been great to see the installation of much of the landscape project including the seats. The council workers have taken great pride in this, to the extent of even turning up on a Saturday to keep the project on time. The last element will be the sail, so we are expecting to have an official opening in August.

The next significant development for St Andrews is the development of a new mission plan with the assistance of the Rev Susan Blaikie who has helped many parishes with this process. It is both a good and necessary thing for parishes to look at- we need to revisit what God is calling us to be and do. More pragmatically If we apply for money from our building fund a mission plan is a requirement. Our last mission plan was prepared in 2012, 7 years ago. Our Mission Statement that resulted then reads: As a community of faith at St Andrews's we embrace and share the love of Jesus Christ

By welcoming all people
By accepting everyone as an individual loved by God
By together enjoying the gifts of life
By seeking and learning together
By responding to the needs of the community

The first phase of this was the questionnaire- thank you to everyone who completed this. Please keep in mind the following workshop:

Saturday, 10th of August from 9.30am-4.00pm with a shared pot lunch

This will be a great opportunity to have your say in the direction of St Andrews in the next few years.

Thank you to everyone who came to our recent congregational meeting and gave approval for some very necessary refurbishment of the lounge and kitchen. We were particularly concerned with the ridging of the carpet in the lounge, constituting in a tripping hazard. New lighting in the kitchen will also be a welcome improvement.

Finally, I would like to make you aware of our recently formed options group. The group is tasked with looking at all possible options on how we can improve our finances and will report back by November. The group comprises Barry Rosenberg, June Clark, Chris Lambourne, Junior McArthur, and Jim Spall. We are excited by our work so far and the possibilities for income and mission. We really welcome your ideas in this area- even if you think they are a bit out there!

A recent quote sent by Ken caught my eye- "If you judge people, you have no time to love them."- Mother Teresa

Arohanui,
Jim



We welcome Tū Mai Awa who are now residing in the Red Room

Kia ora Koutou, Greetings to all!

Tū Mai Awa Whakamana Tangata is a collective of 'people helping people' based in Te Matau-a-Māui/ Hawkes Bay that works with Whānau who have experienced violence. Our approach is grounded in the Māori worldview, based on Tikanga Marae. We call the approach 'He Korowai o Ngā Aho Tangata' - the sacred cloak of our shared humanity. It offers Whānau a way to reclaim their dignity and self-determination, empowering people to create their own path forward and make the changes in their lives that they want to see.

The approach has been developed in Hawkes Bay, and has evolved over the last three years in consultation with Whānau, Kaumatua, community groups, support service providers, and academics from Aotearoa and abroad.

Our Kaupapa (Purpose)

We recognise that people experiencing family violence are often hanging on by a thread, many of their emotional and social connections severed. The response they receive from Whānau, work mates, friends, professionals and institutions – i.e. the 'social response' – is critical to their recovery. Responses need to be Mana-enhancing or dignifying, and collective.

Unfortunately, mainstream social services are often not able to provide a response that makes life better for people. Whānau are confused and overwhelmed by the demands of multiple, unco-ordinated services as they are sent from pillar to post for support. Whānau also feel that their needs and aspirations are not heard. They are not given the power to make their own decisions in regards to what will make a difference for them, including the type of supports/services that they believe will be beneficial. Consequently, Whānau lose hope and are less likely to seek help in future.

Our approach positions Whānau who have experienced violence as Kaihautū, captains of their own Waka when creating their plans, building up their strengths and determining their support. Whānau are empowered to develop a tailor-made program. Kaiārahi (navigators) work with Whānau to identify their Moemoea or vision, strengths, and goals. This work forms the Tuara or backbone for their Korowai – their unique program that generates safety and hope. A key task for Kaiārahi is to facilitate safe, Mana-enhancing relationships with professionals and other members of the community – a space where people encounter Whānau in their humanity and are inspired to support Whānau towards creative solutions. Whānau and their team develop one holistic plan, with clear role and responsibilities for all involved. Whānau feel heard and respected; have more positive relationships with service providers; build supportive connections in their communities; and are empowered to make decisions for themselves about the way forward.

We are thankful to now be based at St Andrew's. We are inspired by the determination of the Minister and parish council to follow what James refers to as the "royal law", to "love your neighbour as yourself" (see James 2:8). We look forward to getting to know St Andrews folk either at Sacred Space Whakamoemiti or around the building and garden space

Mauri ora!

The team at Tū Mai Awa



Introducing our Cook Island Secretary; Berry Rangi **& Elders: Derick Teariki Q.M.S, Colleen Clements** **@ St Andrews**



On the 9th June elders: Colleen Clements, Derick Teariki Q.M.S and cook island secretary: Berry Rangi were inducted into St Andrews Church.

Each of them are outstanding members of the community and with their talents and skills will have a lot to offer at St Andrews. This is their story.

HI, my name is Colleen Clements and I was born Colleen Ranger in Cambridge, Waikato, N.Z.

I am one of five sisters & have three brothers. I grew up in Lichfield, attending Lichfield Primary School and then completed my education at Putaruru High School. I Trained as a registered nurse working at the Waikato Hospital for 5 years before meeting and marrying Randal Thomas Clements (a Farmer). We have three sons, two daughters, 10 Grandchildren, and 1 Great grandson.



My hobbies and interests are sewing, knitting, enjoying people, gardening and floral designing. I am a judge of the floral art society of New Zealand. (FASNZ). I also love music and my tastes range from: dance to spiritual to country music.

I have a strong faith and a close relationship with Jesus. (I admire my family, parents and grandparents.) I am involved with the church, I attend worship services, being a friend and getting to know people. I am also on the flower roster. I have recently been inducted as an Elder for St Andrews. I previously was an elder at St Stephen's Reporoa.

My hopes and dreams for St Andrews is to grow in faith, reaching out with a selfless spirit and serving heart and listening to our people.

A bible verse that I particularly love is Matthew 22: v. 37.

(Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.)

I am truly blessed!



A passion for restrengthening the Cook Islands community in Hawke's Bay has led to a Queen's Service Medal for leader Derek Teariki, of Hastings.

I grew up in the Cook Islands where I attended Titikaveka College on the southern coast of main island Rarotonga. I came to New Zealand at the age of 17, in 1981, initially to live in Auckland, where I worked for Ford Motors and played rugby for east Tamaki.

In 1986 I decided to move to Hawke's Bay with partner and eventual wife Mata, working in Hastings but playing rugby for Napier club Tech. From my involvement in the Cook Islands Christian Church, I gradually became involved in the Bay's Cook Islands community affairs.

From being on the Cook Islands Council in Hawke's Bay in 1999, I became secretary of the Community Hall Society in 2005, and then, in 2010, president.

In 2001 I became a prison officer and saw the need to bring the people back together.

I have also been a driving force in the establishment of the Cook Islands seniors social group PaMeuta, of which I became secretary in 2014.

I lead a weekly exercise programme, which extends to looking at health, diet and safety issues, and organising an annual out-of-town trip, including the travel and accommodation. Spreading the commitment across the age groups, I also organised sports weekends for the community's children.

Kia orana tatou katoatoa I te aroha korereka o te Atua.

My name is Berry Rangi. I was born on the beautiful atoll of Manihiki in the village of Tukao. But I grew up in Rakahanga, an equally beautiful atoll 25 miles from Manihiki.



I am the oldest in my family with 3 sisters and 2 brothers. My first school at the age of six was Rakuraku School on the island of Rakahanga. I can still see myself sitting in the classroom, facing the ocean with waves breaking the reef and, occasionally dolphins and whales will swim past. Such a beautiful setting for a school.

After Rakuraku, I attended Tereora College in Rarotonga and was in the first class to sit New Zealand School Certificate. I was lucky to be one of 3 to pass the exam. As there was no sixth form at Tereora College at the time, I came to Napier Girl's High School in 1962 to do sixth form.

From Napier Girls High, I went to Auckland Teacher's College where I specialised in Homecraft. Puna, my husband and I got married after my training, then we shifted to Christchurch where I taught at St. Margaret's College for 2 years then a stay home mum doing the most important job of all, bring up our children. We have 2 children and 4 gorgeous grandchildren. When our children were 7 and 5 years of age, we decided to move to Napier, and 45 years later, we are still here living in the same house.

My involvement with St. Andrews goes back to when we came to Napier in 1975. As there was no Cook Islands church or services in Napier, we started coming to St. Andrews. I am the secretary for the Vaine Tini and as of last month have taken on the liaising between the church and the Cook Islands congregation. This service is for 12 months.

My hopes for St. Andrews faith community is that we embrace the differences in our congregation, as we continue to look out for our church family and be of service to the wider community at large.

My taste in music is very limited. I really like the Cook Island reo, metua singing, when sung well, it brings tears to your eyes.

For relaxation, there are several things that I like doing – reading is top of the list, doing crosswords, spending time with friends and people in general, and walking.

My hobbies are floral art, cake decorating, dressmaking, cooking especially trying out new recipes.

My favourite bible verse is Ko Iehova toku tiaki kare rava au e ngere. The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want.

I believe in being involved in the community that you live in.

As I live in Tamatea, Napier I also attend the Tamatea Community Church where I am the longest serving member. The TCC service starts at 10 o'clock in the morning and this enables me to get to the Cook Islands service at 12 o'clock.

What drew us to St. Andrews in the earlier days was really the Youth Club – somewhere where our children can be with other Cook Islands children, learning the culture.

I am enjoying the direction that our outwards facing Minister is taking us.

Kia hua, kia tata. May we grow and prosper. (a Manihiki proverb)

Kia manuia and God bless.

CHURCH NOTICE

A Feast of Gilbert and Sullivan

Conductor: Joe Christensen

Soloists: Laura Jeffares, Howard McGuire and Declan Cudd

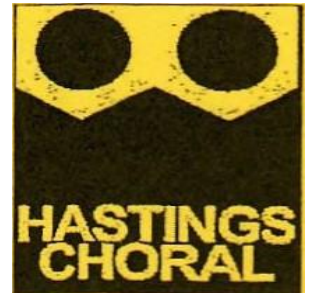
Pianist: Anna Hansen

Sunday 1 September, 2pm

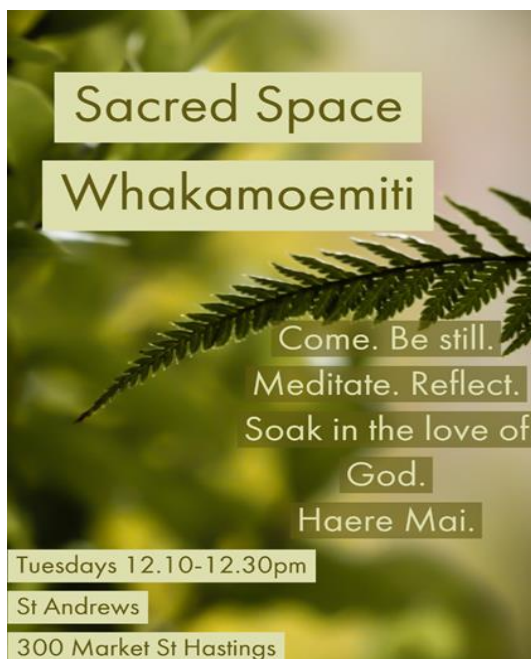
Taikura Rudolf Steiner School Hall,

505 Nelson Street North, Hastings

Tickets — Adults \$25, Schoolchildren \$5 (discounted adult tickets from Choir members)



If necessary, for tickets contact Pam Winfield: stevepaminnz@xtra.co.nz or 027 392 3201



We have started a lunchtime “Sacred Space- (Whakamoemiti)” every Tuesday from 12.10-12.30. Whakameomiti means praise and thanksgiving. This space is a contemplative time where people can come before God to be still, meditate, reflect and soak in the love of God. All are welcome.

PARISH REGISTER

Goodbyes

Bev Nash
Mary Lambert
Moir Stewart
Taputu Kautai (Tap)

Over the last six weeks we were saddened to farewell a number of St Andrews folk who have been commended into God’s keeping: Beverly Nash, Mary Lambert, Taputu Kautai and Moira, as well as Lloyd Curtis. We hold each of their families out to God in love as they navigate life without their loved one.

MORE CHURCH **NOTICES**



Landmarks Award

On **Thursday 29th August 5.30pm at the Havelock North Community Centre** the Hastings City Council is hosting the Hastings City Landmarks Award. And the St Andrews Church landscape garden has been selected and may be nominated for an award. The invitation is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Profit and Loss						
St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hastings						
1 Jun 2019 to 30 Jun 2019						
	Actual	Budget	Var NZD	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Var NZD
Income						
Car Park Rental	\$1,583.40	\$1,587.00	-\$3.60	\$19,000.80	\$19,000.00	\$0.80
Church - Weddings & Funerals	\$0.00	\$163.00	-\$163.00	\$1,217.40	\$2,000.00	-\$782.60
Donations - Church	\$0.00	\$125.00	-\$125.00	\$400.00	\$1,500.00	-\$1,100.00
Donations - Foodbank	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.50	\$0.00	\$10.50
Donations - Hall	\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00	\$1,190.80	\$1,200.00	-\$9.20
Fundraising Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,317.20	\$0.00	\$1,317.20
Fundraising Hall	\$0.00	\$663.00	-\$663.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	-\$8,000.00
Hire - Church	\$1,099.44	\$837.00	\$262.44	\$11,320.55	\$10,000.00	\$1,320.55
Hire - Hall	\$2,880.87	\$2,500.00	\$380.87	\$27,982.09	\$30,000.00	-\$2,017.91
Legacies Received	\$0.00	\$750.00	-\$750.00	\$5,000.00	\$9,000.00	-\$4,000.00
Offering - Golden	\$5,035.00	\$0.00	\$5,035.00	\$5,367.50	\$0.00	\$5,367.50
Offering - Internet	\$916.00	\$1,037.00	-\$121.00	\$12,120.00	\$12,400.00	-\$280.00
Offerings - Envelope	\$2,305.00	\$2,663.00	-\$358.00	\$32,315.90	\$32,000.00	\$315.90
Offerings - Plate	\$562.20	\$663.00	-\$100.80	\$8,442.50	\$8,000.00	\$442.50
Power to the People	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,620.00	\$0.00	\$1,620.00
PSS Offering - Guardian Angel	\$65.50	\$30.00	\$35.50	\$96.70	\$360.00	-\$263.30
Total Income	\$14,447.41	\$11,118.00	\$3,329.41	\$127,401.94	\$133,460.00	-\$6,058.06
Gross Profit	\$14,447.41	\$11,118.00	\$3,329.41	\$127,401.94	\$133,460.00	-\$6,058.06
Plus Other Income						
Dividends Received	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$660.00
Grants Received	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	-\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	-\$5,000.00
Interest Received	\$1.08	\$54.00	-\$52.92	\$16.24	\$615.00	-\$598.76
Total Other Income	\$1.08	\$5,054.00	-\$5,052.92	\$676.24	\$5,615.00	-\$4,938.76
Less Operating Expenses	\$12,603.58	\$29,671.00	-	\$210,252.78	\$221,387.00	-
Net Profit	\$1,844.91	-	\$17,067.42	-\$82,174.60	-\$82,312.00	\$11,134.22
		\$13,499.00	\$15,343.91			\$137.40

COMING EVENTS

Presbytery Central Gathering

It is wonderful that we St Andrews are hosting the Presbytery Gathering on Saturday September 21st. This means we will be joined by around 150 Presbyterians from Gisborne, Hawkes Bay, Taranaki, the Manawatu, the Wairarapa and Wellington. It is a great event that begins with worship and includes the keynote Speaker Marina Rakuraku, the Moderator of Te Aka Puaho (the Māori Presbytery of PCANZ), some great workshops and Kidstream.



Kidstream is a day programme children to engage in fun activities that help them develop their relationship with God. It is led by our regional Children and Families Ministry Enablers and it is

awesome fun!

On the Saturday evening there will be a dinner at St Johns with Henare O'Keefe as the guest speaker.

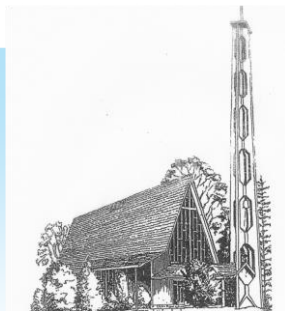
This is a great opportunity to experience our Presbytery in action without having to travel!

We will be getting help from other Hawkes Bay Presbyterians to make this happen, but we will be looking for volunteers to help out on the day too.

Billets

There will be people requiring accommodation for either one or two nights on Friday 20 September and/or Saturday 21 September. If you are interested in hosting please contact Rev Brett Walker: Phone 8445004 or 0274083658 or email brettjwalker@gmail.com

We will keep you updated on developments.



**150 years of the St Columba's Presbyterian Church,
Havelock North**

All past and present members of the St Columba's Presbyterian Church, Havelock North congregation are invited to join with us as we celebrate the church's sesquicentennial.
26—27 October 2019

For information, or to register your interest in attending:

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Information For Next Newsletter



Can you please give your reports/notices (or preferably email them) to Denise Rutherford by 8th of September? So Denise can type everything up and email them to Maine (Ngā) Tauranga, for her to format our church newsletter.

Denise and Maine (Ngā) would like everyone to give them the feedback about this newsletter please. They would like to have the positive feedback and the negative feedback plus, what things need to change in the newsletter. There are couple ways that you can contact Maine (Ngā):

- Private message on facebook
- Email: ngaioanetauranga@gmail.com
- Ring and leave a voice message on 8706901 or 0275112619
- Text on 0275112619

To contact Denise:

- Email: denise@standrewshastings.org.nz
- Phone: 8769632

St Andrews has a Facebook page!! This is a great way to quickly share news and information. So if you are on Facebook already it is a great way to connect! Our Facebook page is **St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hastings**

August @ St Andrews

NB: Sacred Space (Whakamoemiti) 12noon-12.30pm every Tuesday followed by lunch.

Thursday study Group each Thursday @ 10am.

Meditation Group every Thursday eve @ 7.30pm in Blue room.

Sunday 4th 11.00am Combined Communion Service led by Rev Jill McDonald

Tuesday 6th 7.00pm Parish Council Meeting

Saturday 10th 9.30am - 4pm Mission Planning workshop – church lounge

Sunday 11th 10.00am Worship Service led by Rev Jill McDonald
12.00pm Kūki 'Āirani Service led by Rev Jill McDonald

Saturday 17th 8.00am Blokes breakfast @ Summerset in the orchard

Sunday 18th 10.00am Worship Service led by Rev Jill McDonald
12.00pm Kūki 'Āirani Service led by Rev Jill McDonald

Saturday 24th 10.00am Garden Opening

Sunday 25th 10.00am Worship Service led by Rev Jill McDonald
12.00pm Kūki 'Āirani Service led by Rev Jill McDonald

Monday 26th 7.30pm Monday Evening Study Group

Thursday 29th 5.30pm Landmarks Awards Hastings @ Havelock North
Community Centre 5.30pm (all are welcome to attend)

SEPTEMBER @ ST ANDREWS

NB: Sacred Space (Whakamoemiti) 12noon-12.30pm every Tuesday followed by lunch.

Thursday study Group each Thursday @ 10am.

Meditation Group every Thursday eve @ 7.30pm in Blue room.

Sunday 1st **11.00am** Combined Communion Father's Day Service
 5.00pm Father's Day Lament followed by light dinner

Tuesday 3rd **7.00pm** Parish Council

Sunday 8th **10.00am** Worship Service led by Rev Jill McDonald
 12.00pm Kūki 'Āirani Service led by Rev Jill McDonald

Sunday 15th **10.00pm** Worship Service: Presbyterian Support East Coast
 12.00pm Kūki 'Āirani Service led by Elders

Friday 20th **2pm-5pm** Presbytery Workshop on Maximising Church Assets

Saturday 21st **8.00am** Blokes breakfast @ Summerset in the orchard

Saturday 21st **10.00am– 4.30pm** Presbytery Gathering at St Andrews

Sunday 22nd **10.00am** Combined Worship Service

Monday 23rd **7.30pm** Monday evening Study Group

Sunday 29th **10.00am** Worship Service led by Rev Jill McDonald
 11.30am Annual Congregational Meeting
 12.00pm Kūki 'Āirani Service led by Rev Jill McDonald

Life is short,
and we do not
have much time to
gladden the hearts
of these who
journey the way
with us. So, be
shift to love and,
make haste to be
kind.

Heri-Frederic Amiel



But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
whose confidence is in him.
They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of drought
and never fails to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17:7-8
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TRUST IN THE LORD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
AND DO NOT LEAN
ON YOUR OWN
UNDERSTANDING.

Proverbs 3:5

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