

October Services

| Date | Waikanae | Raumati | | Paekakariki |
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| | 9.15am | United@9 9 am | 10 am | 10.30am |
| 6th | Diana Roberts | Maureen Calhaem | Rev. Cornelia Grant | Maureen Calhaem |
| 13th | Rev. John Roberts HC | Kate Foley and Carole Rudings | Rev. Robin List HC | Rev. Stuart Grant |
| 18th | Messy Church, Raumati 5 pm to 7 pm | | | |
| 20th | Diana Roberts | Colin Anderson | Rev. Roger Wiig | Rev. Stuart Grant |
| 27th | Ian and Sharon Marsden | Rev. Cornelia Grant | | Own Service |

Thrifty Place is **open** for Labour Weekend
Saturday 26 October, 10 am to 12.30 pm

Don't forget! Church Fair - Saturday 2 November, 9 am to 1.30 pm

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October 2019

A busy and interesting Creation Month is coming to an end, and October is in sight.

It is with regret that the Rev. Peter McKenzie, representing the regional Presbytery, has had to withdraw from leading combined worship on 6 October due to illness, but he has offered another date, 3 November. Please note this date in your diaries; Peter will be speaking about the procedure involved in finding a new minister for the parish.

The first Sunday in October is World Communion Sunday. This gives us the opportunity to think especially about being connected to millions of fellow Christians around the world. Let us keep in our prayers those who live and practice their faith under constant persecution, many putting their lives on the line for the sake of their faith.

The Week of Prayer for World Peace runs from 20 to 27 October. In this mad world of ours, where there are so many wars and threats of more war, a week of prayer may seem only a drop in the bucket. Our Christian faith encourages us to hope against hope, and this week gives an opportunity to do just that. Let us pray that people may learn acceptance, tolerance and love for each other, instead of being ruled by fear, intolerance and suspicion, which ultimately lead to violence and war.

The last Sunday in October is Industrial, or Social Justice, Sunday. On this day our focus will be on working conditions and the impact of unemployment on people's lives. The Bible has much to teach us about issues of social justice.

Looking forward into next month, please support our Annual Parish Fair on Saturday 2 November! Many thanks to all those who are already working tirelessly to get items ready for it.

In conclusion I would like to thank all of you who have prayed, sent cards or brought food after my recent operation. Everything is much appreciated. The operation went well, and now it is only a matter of getting my mobility back over the next few weeks.

Love and peace to you all,

Cornelia

About people

Birthdays

Ruth Quaye turned 90
Maise Lund turned 100

Deaths

Rutherford Hancock
Howard Farr
Arthur Olssen
Maureen Evans' brother, Tony
Ron Smith

Our sympathy goes to any parishioners who are unwell, in hospital or moving to other levels of care. Our thoughts are with you.

Pastoral Care Team



October: for your diary



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| Tue | 1st | 10 am 1 pm | Messy Church meeting, Raumati School Holiday Programme, Raumati Upcycle and recycle |
| | | 2 pm | Afternoon Women's Fellowship, Raumati |
| Wed | 2nd | 1.30 pm 10 am | Raumati Domestic Property Group, Raumati School Holiday Programme, Raumati Messy play session |
| Thur | 3rd | 9.30 am | Casual Playgroup, Raumati |
| Tue | 8th | 10 am 7.30 pm | Pastoral Care Group, Raumati Parish Council, Raumati |
| Wed | 9th | 11 am | Raumati Village Community Garden Kids Garden Party and Working Bee |
| Thur | 10th | 9.30 am 10 am | Casual Playgroup, Raumati Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship |
| Mon | 14th | 1.30 pm | Board Games, Raumati |
| Tue | 15th | 10 am | Waikanae Women's Fellowship, Waikanae |
| Fri | 18th | 5 pm | Messy Church, Raumati |
| | | | Deadline for November Together |
| Fri | 25th | 10 am | Folding and distribution of November Together |
| Mon | 28th | 1.30 pm | Board Games, Raumati |
| Tue | 29th | 1 pm | Meditation Group, Church, Raumati |



October is Operation Christmas Child month. Boxes and brochures are now available from church or the Parish office. Please return to the office by mid October.

For more details visit <https://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

October: regular events



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| Mondays | 9.30 am | Raumati Music Café Playgroup, (term-time) |
| Tuesdays | 10 am | Women's Craft Group Lower Lounge, Raumati |
| | 11 am - 4pm | Thrifty Place |
| Wednesdays | 1 - 4 pm | Thrifty Place |
| | 4 pm | F.I.T. Exercises, Raumati |
| Thursdays | 9.30 am | Raumati Café Playgroup (term-time) |
| | 2.30 pm | Fruit and Vege Co-op pick up |
| Fridays | 9.30 am | Waikanae Café Playgroup (term-time) |
| Saturdays | 10 am - 12.30 pm | Thrifty Place |

Women's Craft Group
Tuesdays 10am - 12 noon
More than just a craft group
Come and enjoy good company. All women welcome

Venue: Kapiti Uniting Parish meeting room
 10 Weka Road, Raumati Beach
 Gold coin donation
 Transport available, phone Allyson 904 2949

Art & craft making | Kids welcome | Tea, coffee & cake
 Community projects/ Trade table

Spring Flower Sunday



Thank you to all of those who gave flowers, those who spent many hours preparing and delivering the posies for Spring Flower Sunday.



Below: Rev. Robin List keeps the children entertained at Messy Church.



Waikanae News



Worship. Our worship has focussed on several different themes. In the latter part of August Colin Anderson explored 'Signs and Spaces', engaging the congregation in exploring different images of the cross, as well as sacred buildings he visited when recently in the USA and France. John Roberts reflected on 'Voicing our Doubts', in which he addressed the question, 'Do we all have to believe the same things in the same way?' September has seen us enter the Season of Creation:

Ocean (Cornelia Grant at Combined Parish Service and AGM); Spring Flower (Cornelia Grant), with posies for distribution to shut-in members; Storm, (John Roberts) with theme music; Cosmos (Diana Roberts) also with theme music; care of animals (a group effort).

Waikanae Interest Group. The first meeting since the Waikanae AGM was held on 8 September. Items considered included: a report of Parish Council from Evan Ireland; evacuation procedures; road signage for our church; a screen for PowerPoint presentations; lay preachers and worship leaders in the life of the Waikanae congregation; communicating the work of the Interest Group to the congregation. Interest Group meetings will now take place on the second Sunday of each month after the morning worship service. Interest Group members are: Evan Ireland, Betty Johnson, Ian Marsden, Murray Collingwood.

Other property matters. The television set in the lounge has been replaced. Heather Freeman acquired a larger set and donated her 'old' one to our church for use in the lounge. Ian Marsden took care of the installation. The previous set in the lounge found its way to the Paekakariki church. The mechanical timer for heaters in the church has now been replaced with an electronic timer. Much more reliable. Don Smith arranged this. Our thanks to Heather, Ian and Don.

Kapiti Counselling Service

The Parish's own professional counselling service is available for confidential counselling or discussions for any member of the Parish or their family.

The counsellors are Marie Livesey, Penny Currier and Angela Claridge.

Phone 905 2374. Please leave a message and contact will be made.

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Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship

Thursday 10 October, 10 am

Our topic will be library services and the speaker is Juana Kelsen who is the Community Programmes Co-ordinator at the Library. All welcome.

Treasurer Found

We are fortunate that Mary Mill, who worships at our Raumati church, has agreed to be the Parish Treasurer. Mary has a Diploma in Business Studies, with a Major in Accountancy, from Massey University, Palmerston North.

Her work experience includes working for accountancy firms on the Kapiti Coast. Her late husband David taught mathematics at Kapiti College. Their son Robert works in Washington DC and Mary is currently living with daughter Bronwyn at Raumati Beach.

Mary's appointment as Treasurer has the approval of Parish Council and parish members confirmed her appointment at the Parish AGM on 1 September.

I would again like to reiterate our thanks to Dina Zaripova for her work as Treasurer over the past 12 months and to David Davis for his work recently. Organisations such as ours are highly dependent upon volunteers and accordingly we are indebted to them as we undertake The Lord's work here on the Kapiti Coast.

Ken Milne
Finance Group Convenor

Women's Fellowship. The September meeting was held at Renata Joyner's home at Raumati Beach. Renata spoke about her recent visit 'back home' to the USA. Several Waikanae women joined Raumati women for a KUP Social Opportunities Group fundraiser on Wednesday 25 September. It took the form of a fashion parade at Ballentynes, Paraparaumu Beach.

House Group. Sharon and Ian Marsden are hosting a group at their home, 34 Nimmo Ave West, Waikanae, on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm.

Waikanae News Column. We have enjoyed sharing Waikanae news with the Parish. We are now stepping down from this role.

John and Diana Roberts

Week of Prayer for World Peace

*The week of Prayer for World Peace will be observed in
New Zealand between 13 and 20 October*

The Week of Prayer for World Peace was founded in 1974 and the first chairperson, the late Edward Carpenter, Dean of Westminster, established the guiding principle of the Week in the words "**The peace of the world must be prayed for by the faiths of the world**".

As the writers of the pamphlet say, "It is recognised that inter-faith partnership does not itself imply agreement. The things we agree on are many and precious. The things we disagree on are precious too It is still good to stand with that person as a friend and as a partner for peace".

In NZ the Week of Prayer is supported by Christian denominations as well as the Baha'i, Buddhist, Hindu, Islamic and Jewish communities, Pacifist groups and the Wellington Inter-faith Council.

Pamphlets containing prayers and readings for each day of the week will be available at each Worship Centre from Sunday 6 October.

Erice Carley



September recital “the best yet”?

Almost 200 people gathered in the Raumati church to enjoy the September music recital, with many calling it “the best yet”.

Great solo performances from baritone Joe Haddow and (fiancée) soprano Alexandra Gandionco opened the show with a touch of magic, later to be eclipsed by the amazing duets in their finale.

Organ solos from Peter Averi and a stunning duet with pianist Gioia Brunoro entranced the audience, who were then treated to outstanding performances from two award-winning Kapiti College classical trios and barber shop quartet Fortitude (who, three days later, placed fifth at their national championships). Overall, an afternoon of great enjoyment.

This was the 10th recital in the series: a significant milestone. The first, in 2014, was intended to let music-lovers hear the church organ played to full capacity. The arrival of the new grand piano was celebrated in 2015, since when two recitals each year have been well supported and appreciated. (We’ve also been able to maintain a ticket price that keeps this quality afternoon’s entertainment thoroughly affordable).

We’ve been fortunate to engage high calibre artists such as the Te Koki Trio and Rodney Macann, along with top-quality local artists plus students from NZ School of Music and Kapiti College. And there’s something else that puts smiles on the faces of both

 An advertisement for Thrifty Place. The background is a close-up of a metal clothes rack with several wooden hangers holding colorful garments. At the top, a calendar shows the dates 27, 28, 29, and 30. The text is overlaid on the image.

Thrifty Place

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E-prayer Requests



May be made to:

Mary Francis 904 0457 or billandmary262@gmail.com
 Merrill Baker 902 4134 or amkram.nz@gmail.com
 Mary White 298 7727 or marywhite@xtra.co.nz

Your name will not be used without your permission.

A small carefully-selected group of your Church family will be praying.

They will not discuss these requests with anyone else, unless you require them to. We do not necessarily need details as **'God'** will know the facts.

Please be aware that these are the contact names for requests.
 A larger group not named here are praying.

"Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world"
 Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

performers - professional or student - and their audience: a rare opportunity to meet face to face and provide feedback, over afternoon tea (thank you ladies!) with the now-legendary scones, jam and cream.

So, where to from here?

- On 3 May 2020 we will present an NZSM 'Graduate Recital'. We anticipate top piano, string and vocal performers.
- The 6 September 2020 recital, now being planned, will provide another offering of top artists from a range of disciplines.
- Were already outlining another top programme for May 2021: not quite sure of the exact date yet!

Thank you all for your support. We look forward to providing further "best yet" events for your entertainment at an affordable price.

Ralph Martin, for the recital committee:

Peter Averi, Bruce Johnston, Howard Clements and John Lawton.



Over the years the late Howard Farr regularly gave us some sage advice and guidance, when in each issue of Together, he presented...



“Something to Think About...”

- *Take time to think: it is the source of power. Take time to play: it is the source of perpetual power. Take time to read: it is the foundation of wisdom. Take time to pray: it is the greatest power on earth. Take time to love and be loved: it is a God-given privilege. Take time to be friendly: it is the road to happiness. Take time to laugh: it is the music of the soul. Take time to give: it is too short a day to be selfish.*
- I came across this piece recently (author unknown), and I share it with you to perhaps use in your daily devotions. “Thank God for today. This is the beginning of a new day for me to use as I choose, maybe perhaps wastefully or hopefully for good purposes. What I do today is important because I am exchanging a day of my life for it. When tomorrow comes, today will be but a memory. I want it to be positive, not negative, a success, not a failure, in order that I shall not regret the price I paid for today”.
- *Birthdays are good for your health: the more you have the older you get. Happiness comes through doors you didn't know you had left open.*
- A helping hand can often be just what is needed to successfully overcome a hurdle a person is facing in their life. There are many stories in the Gospels recounting times when Jesus gave His helping hand to a situation - sometimes major, sometimes minor, sometimes spiritual, sometimes physical. We may rest assured that Jesus holds out a helping hand to us as needed - one of love, or maybe physical need. Of course, it works both ways: just as Jesus meets our needs, we must be ready to give the helping hand to those around us when needed.

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**FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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TUESDAY 1 OCT

Upcycle and recycle
1-3pm, downstairs room
Bring your old broken appliances
to pull apart and recycle into a
new creation

WEDNESDAY 2 OCT

Messy play session
10am-12pm, downstairs
room
Slime/playdoh/paint and more

THURSDAY 3 & 10 OCT

Casual Playgroup
9.30-11.30am in hall.
Please bring gold coin & fruit

WEDNESDAY 9 OCT

Garden Party
11am - 12.30pm
Paint your own plant pot and
plant a seedling &
Help get the community garden
beds ready for Spring



- *“I asked for strength, and I was given difficulties to make me strong. I asked for wisdom, and I was given problems to solve. I asked for prosperity, and I was given a brain and muscle to work hard. I asked for courage to face life, and I was given obstacles to overcome. I asked for Love, and I was given troubled people to help. I asked for favours, and I was given opportunities. I received nothing I really wanted, but I received everything I needed! Live life without fear, confront all obstacles, and know that you can overcome them. Some mistakes are too much fun to make only once.*
- You know, there is no time like now to be happy. Our lives will always have challenges, for some more than others, and better to admit as much and then decide to be happy in spite of it all. Swimming against the flow is hard work and non-productive. Obstacles are part and parcel of life’s journey, and for some this means there is no clear road to happiness: no, happiness is the road. So let us enjoy every moment that God had given us, enjoy the changing view along the way, and stop waiting for the right moment to be happy.
- *Closing thought for today: be generous, kind, reasonable, forgiving, loving, big-hearted, and most of all be grateful for each blessing in life.*
- A benediction. ‘May God grant me the grace to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with my God. Amen’.

Go well Howard, you will be missed.

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Synod Report

9 and 10 August 2019

The August Synod extended over two days in Palmerston North. Friday evening began with a ministerial Synod that moved into a School of Theology event led by David Hanna of Wesley Community Action, Wellington. David presented the Methodist Alliance (MA) paper 'Parish Investment in Social Housing.' Exciting housing progress is being achieved at Wesley Rata Village on the site of the old Wesley Haven retirement home. Parishes are being encouraged invest in Social Housing and build on their surplus land by leasing it to the MA that can enable access to Government funding.

Saturday morning began with a School of Theology event on Human Sexuality led by the Auckland Connexional team of Susan Thomson, Mary Caygill and Michael Lemanu. Susan gave us an excellent powerpoint presentation covering the Methodist history of the sexual orientation issue, beginning with the appointment in the late 1980s of the openly gay presbyter David Bromell to the Glenaven Church in Dunedin (where I was worshipping with my family). Michael covered the difficulties of discussing sexual issues in a multicultural environment where there may be no suitable translations for some English words and concepts. Mary introduced a session on sexuality that had us move into groups of three where we all reflected on and shared our response to the confronting question: "When were you first aware that you were a sexual person?" Personal answers were not shared in the main group but we were asked how the question made us feel, "uncomfortable" being the overwhelming response.

The Connexion has established a Human Sexuality Team because it is aware congregations do not discuss sensitive issues that need discussing - particularly when a parish is seeking a new presbyter. There are very few presbyters to choose from in our era and almost none fit the traditional expectation of a young white male with an unpaid co-partner wife at home with family. Prior to Cornelia's appointment our parish suffered an unpleasant shock when an excellent applicant was turned down because a very small minority did not want a female minister, an issue the parish had not discussed in advance. We need to explore parish attitudes to all possibilities of gender, sexual orientation, race, disability, marital status, as well as the person's theological leanings. If we are not prepared, history may repeat at KUP, evoking another ugly and distressing situation. *Rosa Sugrue*



Everyone at Kapiti Uniting Parish who works/volunteers directly with young people (young people = under the age of 18) needs to do this training.

Training is completed over three sessions in November

Wed. 6, 10am-12pm (meeting room)

Session 1: Introduction to the child protection policy and ethical practice.

Wed. 13, 10am-12pm (downstairs room)

Session 2: Health and safety.

Wed. 20, 10am-12pm (meeting room)

Session 3: Recognising and responding to child abuse and safe recruitment.

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PCANZ Children's and Youth Ministry Safety Warrant of Fitness



The Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand (PCANZ) acknowledges the tremendous responsibility churches have for the safety and well-being of children and young people attending their churches and programmes.

On August 19 the Council Assembly updated its Child Protection Policy for the PCANZ. This is a stand-alone Supplementary Provision to the Book of Order. This Policy must be applied when people in the Church work and/or have responsibility for children and young people. Congregations must comply with this policy by the end of 2019.

The Child Protection Policy calls all of our churches to:

“...do all in our power to ensure that children and young people in our care will be nurtured and cared for in a safe environment and be protected from harm”.

The PCANZ Safety Warrant of Fitness Training provides practical tools and insights to assist all those working with children and young people. The training will equip parishes to comply with New Zealand law, the PCANZ's Child Protection Policy and, most importantly, keep the children and young people in our care safe.

The WOF encompasses essential training on:

- An introduction to the PCANZ Child Protection Policy and Ethical Practice
- Health and Safety Practices
- Recognising, Recording and Responding to Abuse + Safe Recruitment Practices

This training is compulsory for all those working with children and young people under the age of 18 years who do so as part of the PCANZ.

Please RSVP to Angelique. Dates and contact details are found on the next page.



To join us at...

**Waikanae Women's Fellowship
Tuesday 15 October, 10 am
Waikanae Church
Corner Taiata and Ngapaki Streets**

Enjoy fellowship with other women.
Peter Carrington will speak about the
Te Nikau Training Centre in Paraparaumu



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**PARISH
FAIR**

Kapiti Uniting Parish
Raumati Church, Weka Road
Saturday 2 November, 9 am - 1.30 pm

cakes and sweets - plants - art auction
books and puzzles - second hand items
toys - BBQ - raffles - Thrifty Place
handcrafts - kids activities

www.kapitiunitingparish.org.nz



Annual Parish Fair
Saturday 2 November, 9 am to 1.30 pm
Raumati church



It's only one month till the fair, so please remember the date and invite your friends and neighbours to come along and enjoy the fun!

All the usual stalls will be there:

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| Cakes | Preserves | Crafts |
| BBQ | Children's Activities | |
| Raffles | Books | Toys |
| Plants | Thrifty Place | Cafe |
| Bric a Brac | Garage Sale | |

PLUS a new offering: an ART AUCTION

Please look out those items that are surplus to requirements for the bric a brac or for the garage sale, plus books (novels only please); contributions to the other stalls will also be gratefully accepted (jams, cakes, plants etc). Paper bags and other containers for these will be needed, as we will not be using plastic bags.

Contributions of butter and sugar for cake making will be very acceptable; please phone Shirley Barnett about these on 904 3718.

Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday 2 November.

Stuart Grant, Fair Convenor. Phone 902 1620.