

Opportunities for Prayer @ St George's

Prayer Chain: A small number of St George's members have pledged to pray regularly for those that seek support. Requests for prayer are strictly confidential & can be made to David & Lynette Wood. Email: dandwood@gmail.com or Ph: 021 208 3561

Pre-Service Prayer: Held before the 8.30am and 10.00am services in the Pastoral Care / Prayer Room. You are welcome to join us. Access is through the back entrance of the main church building, first door on the left.



Northern Bound Pilgrimage

Matapouri to Whananaki

Next weekend! Friday, 23rd – Sunday, 25th April 2021

The northern pilgrimages are now made up of a couple days walking using the Te Araroa (long pathway) trail to journey toward our destination, Rangihoua. Our next pilgrimage north will have some more beautiful northern beaches to enjoy as we head from Matapouri to Whananaki.

We will stay the two nights, Friday, 23rd and Saturday, 24th April in the comfortable motels at Whananaki Holiday Park. We'll have plenty of time to get to know the history of the local peoples as we continue to walk both the off road coastal tracks and the Te Araroa trail.

If you're interested in joining this leg of the journey we can provide you with more detailed information,

please email Sarah sarah.laurie56@icloud.com or Fiona fee.mccauley@gmail.com



SUSTAINABILITY CHAMPIONS WORKSHOP 2021

Please join us on Saturday, 22nd May in the hall from 9.30am - 5pm

Sustainability Champions Workshops are an opportunity for Sustainability Champions from around the Auckland Diocese to come together to share stories and ideas, pray together, and learn about ways we can better care for God's good creation.

This year we will be joined by A Rocha and Para Kore who will introduce us to the **Zero Waste Church** initiative and run some hands-on practical sessions.

There will also be creation care reflective prayer sessions, facilitated by members of the Third Order Society of St Francis (TSSF), a Sustainability Champions story sharing session and a AARCC collaboration brainstorm session.

For more information, please email Cathy Bi-Riley at sustainability.fieldworker@aucklandanglican.org.nz



Westpac Bank - Cheques



We have been informed that from June 2021 the Westpac bank will no longer be accepting cheques. St George's can facilitate eftpos in the church, cash envelopes and online payments. If you don't have online banking you could check with your bank and ask them to assist in setting this up for you.

Thank you.

Saturday Morning Prayers

Every Saturday, during term time, a group of people get together to pray for all areas of church life.

You are very welcome to join this group at any time.

8am - 9am in the Pastoral Care Room, Enquiries: Malcolm Taylor - 027 499 7749



“Empowering people to be Christ’s followers in the world.”

SUNDAY SERVICES, 18 April

8.30am - 10.15am

THEME: ‘Resurrection Hope’

SPEAKER: Dale Campbell

READINGS: 1 John 1:4; John 20:1-16

VERSE OF THE DAY: John 21:12 “Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” None of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord.”

WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 21 April

10.00am

Speaker: Glenys Brookbanks - “Living in the Cross”

SUNDAY SERVICES 25 April

8.30am - 10.15am

Guest Speaker: Jeremy Woods - ‘Resurrection Hope’

VISITORS ... It's great to have you worshipping with us today. Do pick up a 'Welcome Pack' on the table at the back of church. We hope you feel at home here and we look forward to getting to know you.

REFLECTIONS FROM JOSH JONES

E-FEST - AUCKLAND DIOCESE YOUTH EASTER CAMP

Over Easter, our Youth and Kids Pastor Steph Brook was one of the leaders helping to arrange and facilitate the annual Youth E-Fest. I thought it would be inspiring for all of us to have a glimpse of the amazing way that God worked in our young people's lives, and the feedback they gave personally to Steph and the leadership team including our own Karen Spoelstra. It was also awesome to have our own young people in attendance, including Millie Eaton and Sylvia McDougall in the worship band along with Evan Walters and Callum Hussey as small group leaders. Here's the feedback...

"Dear Steph,

A couple of back-to-back lockdowns a month before E-Fest presented the directors with the tough decision whether or not to go ahead. A fortnight out, we made the decision to push through and we're SO happy we did! The culmination of our leaders hard work came together in our final evening where so many young people came forward to accept Jesus for the first time. Prayer ministry lasted for what seemed like an age and God's presence was evident as our young people made the greatest decision they'll ever make. It was awesome to see. That is why we do what we do; to lead people to Christ and into His presence. From, Thomas and the AYM Team."

E-FEST 2021: What Campers Said...

"I have learnt that God's power is everlasting" - Year 7

"My favourite thing at E-Fest this year was our speaker, Keri-Ann!" - Year 10

"I have learnt that God hears and talks to me" - Year 9

"My favourite things at E-Fest this year were worship, senior space and zombie tag!" - Year 12

"I have learnt that I am worthy" - Year 11

A CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

"If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." African Proverb

"He who plants and he who waters are one in purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labour. For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building."

1 Corinthians 3:8-9

Stan 'the man' Thorburn, continued our Resurrection Hope sermon series last week in fine biblical style, his sermon notes can be found on our St George's website. All through this series we will be exploring the call and the encouragement to be God's fellow workers, God's field, and God's building in our Resurrection Hope mission. *What does it look like to actively participate in all the arenas of our lives? What does it look like to share and go far in this journey together?*

WHAT AN AWESOME TIME we had at our Resurrection Lunch on the Lawn last Sunday. Andy, our Pizza man, did us all proud by supplying enough pizzas to cater for around 130 hungry parishioners. Once again so many fed back just how much they appreciated the occasion and the spirit of joy, warmth and goodwill among our community. We had newcomers among us, who commented on this spirit and how this has made them feel welcome.

THIS SUNDAY we welcome Dale Campbell among us as our guest preacher. Dale is the man who helped organise the **Justice Conference** of Aotearoa New Zealand these past 2 years in his role with **Tearfund**. Dale is originally from America, but now settled here in NZ and married to Diane Campbell who produces the Andrew Urquhart Day Show on Radio Rhema. Dale is passionate about the role of the Church being as St Paul says ... **"co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building"**, we look forward to hearing from Dale today.

Josh and the St George's Leadership Team.

GIVING

- EFTPOS: Terminal is available at the back of the church.
- INTERNET BANKING: Westpac Bank account # 03-0104-0109844-01
- DONATION BOX: At the back of the church (cash only).



Well, Term One is officially over, so Kids Church takes a break for a couple of weeks, we'll return on Sunday, 2nd May. There are activity sheets for the kids during the services, you'll find them at the back of the church.

Friday Youth finished the term this week with a Worship Night. We were super stoked to have other youth groups from around the Diocese join us!

Friday Youth will return on Friday, 7th May

Youth on Sunday is also taking a break and will return on Sunday, 2nd May!

Watch this space for an exciting fundraising project from the youth in Term Two!

We know you'll want to get amongst it!

Wishing you all a very happy and safe holiday break, see you in Term Two!
Steph, Callum and the Kids Church team!

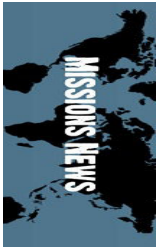
Please pray for our partners working overseas.

Dee Jones, Zambia, Foundations for Faming - working with SIM,

Miriam Tillman, Togo, Africa, Pharmacist, Hospital of Hope Pharmacy, working with CMS

Sarah Scott Webb: Human trafficking and exploitation prevention, SIM Intl./ Communications NZ

Also supporting **Alongsidars**



Dinners in Homes 2021

Julie Macdonald is organising the next dinners in homes for **April / May**.

Please contact Julie if you would like to participate, confirming which day or days you'd prefer and if you would like to host 4 or 6 people in your home or if you would like to join a group.

Everyone who participates will help provide the food. The hostess will contact you to ask you what you would be able to contribute.

Everyone is very welcome.

Dates are:

Dinner - Friday, 30th April,

Dinner - Saturday, 1st May

Lunch - Sunday, 2nd May

Email Julie at duju@xtra.co.nz or text 0274 442 577,

by TODAY!!!



St. George's E-News

We send out a weekly **E-News** which provides info on up-coming events, community life and ways to get involved at St George's. If you haven't received it in your in-box, check your spam / promotions mail folder. If you are not receiving it at all and would like to, please sign up on our website.

Morning Tea

Please join us for morning tea in the hall after the 8.30am service and in the church after the 10.15am service today.

Everyone is very welcome.

