

 **KAPITI UNITING PARISH**
Christian Churches of NZ - Methodist - Presbyterian

TOGETHER

February 2023



Parish members joined together at a Parish Combined Service at Waikanae in January. The Lounge was full for morning tea.

About People

We wish happy birthday to all those in this parish celebrating birthdays in February and happy anniversary to those celebrating anniversaries this month. We hope you enjoy your special occasions!

Congratulations and best wishes to Don and Marie Smith who celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on 2 February.

We think of those members suffering poor health and those in hospital and we wish you all a speedy recovery.

We hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful summer.

Blessings to you all from, *The Pastoral Care Team, Lyn, Jennie, Merrill, Erice, Carole, Mary and Diane*

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The Children's Christmas Carol service was very well attended in December. Over 80 children and adults came along. As always the afternoon tea was very much enjoyed by everyone. During the carols service the audience was treated to a comical advent play. The children took home a goodie bag made up by Rev. Anna Gilkison and a book from the Bible Society. Thank you to everyone who helped make the service enjoyable and fun.

Waikanae Church

Holiday visitors joined in the family-friendly Christmas Day service. The theme of Opening Doors included the congregation opening the doors on an Advent calendar and singing the carol: Open the Stable Door.

January was designated Fellowship Month, with different ways of worshipping and being together. For our New Year's Day service, held in the lounge, we renewed our Covenant with God following the old tradition, and sealed the Covenant with Holy



Communion. On 8 January we welcomed our friends from the Raumati church and over 50 of our parish members celebrated in joyful fellowship at worship and morning tea. The following Sunday Waikanae members joined with the Raumati congregation, strengthening the bonds that unite our parish. On 22 February Tina and Evan Ireland led worship in the lounge with a reflection on Casting our Nets. On 29 February Desmond Corrigan guided a service with a focus on Our Fellowship with God and Each Other, in the same informal setting. These creative services were well-attended and much appreciated. Fellowship Month has deepened our connections within the congregation and the parish.

Renata Joyner has resigned from the duties she has held in the parish. We thank her for her significant contribution.

We have already begun planning for the year ahead, with Harvest Festival, a Holy Week meditation series and Easter services.

Pastoral care continues to be a shared responsibility for our members.

Playgroup will be starting on Friday 10 February at 9.30 am; new families are always welcome.

Our church will host the local World Day of Prayer service on Friday 3 March at 1.30pm.

Diana Roberts

Thrifty Place

Thrifty Place reopened on Saturday 14 January, and we had a busy few hours.

We've had the carpets shampooed, and with the new paint outside the place is looking very smart.

On 1 December last year, approximately 25 Kapiti College students, along with two teachers arrived at Thrifty Place. Their mission was to find and purchase items which could be repurposed or redecorated. The shop was buzzing as the students looked through the goods. Some bags were chosen to redecorate, a pair of white trainers were to have beads sewn on, and a jacket was to have the sleeves removed and new ones sewn in.

Some students told us they hadn't been into Thrifty Place before, and were very happy to discover it. All of the students were polite, smiling and happy, and we enjoyed having them. I know we'll see a lot of them return, which is a boost for the shop.

Kay McIntosh, Thrifty Place Manager



To: Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand



NOTICE OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 25 February 2023
St John's in the City Presbyterian Church
(corner Willis and Dixon Streets, Wellington)
10 am to 12 noon

Reason for meeting

In September 2022, at the PWANZ Annual General Meeting, the following recommendation was received from the Futures Review Group. This recommendation was left on the table.

That Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand (PWANZ) be closed down. In liaison with the National Executive all Parishes to be notified that their support for our continuing mission in Aotearoa are welcome but the current model of the organisation is unsustainable. The Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council will lapse.

To progress this recommendation, which has brought up a significant number of issues (outlined below), a Special General Meeting is required.

Issues include:

- Ageing membership and declining finances (currently only 111 financial members)
- Vacancies on Executive (including President)
- How to maintain a woman's voice with the Presbyterian Church, especially at a local level
- Lapsing of Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council
- Loss of a dedicated missional outlook

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Lenten Studies 2023

Following Christ in the Footsteps of the Saints

Guided by the stories of St Winefride,
Te Arikinui Dame Te Atairangikaahu, Tarore of Waharoa,
Te Whiti O Rongomai,
Mary MacKillop, Patron Saint of Australia

This is a **six week course**
Tuesday afternoons, 2.30 to 3.30 pm
February 28
March 7, 14, 21, 28
April 4

*These are simple, heartfelt studies which will still us into
reflection and stir us into action*

Please join us at the Raumati Church, upstairs meeting
room

You may come for single studies
or commit to a six week Lenten journey
of study and reflection.
No theological qualifications necessary!

Rev. Anna Gilkison

Kapiti Horticultural Society

Friday 3 February, 7 pm

Raumati Uniting Church, lower meeting room

Free entry

Professor Nick Roskrige from Massey University will talk on Ethnobotany in NZ - the scientific study of Māori's traditional knowledge of plants including cultivation, customs, medical, religious, commercial and other uses. Hear Dr Nick Roskrige on how to grow kumera at home.

Join the fun and bring your best flower, vegetable or fruit to compete with other gardeners. Raffles, sales table, supper.

Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship

Thursday 9 February, 11 am

Raumati Uniting Church, lower meeting room

Following our business part we will have a shared finger food lunch. Please note the 11am start for that day.

Contact Merrill Baker on 902 4134
or 027 343 2307.

E-Prayer Requests

A group from your Parish family receives requests for prayer every week.

You can either ring, text, email or ask for the request to be passed on.

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

The requests will remain confidential and names will not be used without your permission.

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KAPITI UNITING PARISH

PLAYGROUPS

Raumati Beach

10 Weka Road

Playgroup

Thursdays 9.30-11.30 am

Waikanae Beach

9 Taiata Street

Playgroup

Fridays 9.30-11.30 am

Free

All welcome



www.kup.org.nz

Thrifty Place

Quality second-hand
clothing and
household items

Tuesday 11 am to 4 pm

Thursday 11 am to 4 pm

Saturday 10.30 am to 1 pm

Raumati Church

Kapiti Uniting Parish

10 Weka Road

Raumati Beach

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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 and Penny Currier.
Phone 902 5809.

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Waikanae Church	9 Taiata Street, Waikanae

February: regular events

Tuesdays	10 am-12 pm	Women's Craft Group, Raumati
	11 am-4 pm	Thrifty Place
Thursdays	9.30 am-11.30 am	Raumati Playgroup
	11 am-4 pm	Thrifty Place
	2.30-3 pm	Fruit and Vege Co-op pick up, Raumati
Fridays	9.30 am-11.30 am	Waikanae Playgroup
Saturdays	10.30 am-1 pm	Thrifty Place

Parish Playgroups

Playgroups begin again at Raumati on Thursday 9 February, 9.30 am to 11.30 am and Waikanae on Friday 10 February, 9.30 am to 11.30 am.

Please note that there is a change of day for the Raumati Playgroup, from Monday back to Thursday and there is now only one session at Raumati per week.



February: for your diary

Wed 8th	10 am	Property and Finance, Raumati
Thur 9th	11 am	Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship
Fri 10th	10 am	Parish Council Retreat
Sun 12th	After morning tea	Waikanae Committee, Waikanae
Mon 13th	1.30 pm	Board Games, Carole Rudings' home
Tue 14th	10 am	Pastoral Care Group, Raumati
Wed 15th	10 am	Music and Worship Group, Raumati
Fri 17th		Deadline for March Together
	1 pm	Parish Council, Raumati
Tue 21st	10 am	Waikanae Women's Fellowship, Waikanae
Fri 24th		Folding and distribution of March Together
Mon 27th	1.30 pm	Board Games, Carole Rudings' home

February Services

Date	Waikanae 9.30 am	United@9 9 am	Raumati 10 am
5th	Kevin Boyce	Maureen Calhaem, HC	Rev. Roger Wiig, HC
12th	Rev. Anna Gilkison, HC	Carole Rudings and Kate Foley	Heather List
19th	Rev. Anna Gilkison	Rev. Barrie Keenan Raumati, 10 am	
26th	Maureen Calhaem	Rev. Robin/ Heather List	Rev. Anna Gilkison

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