



## **Kapiti Uniting Parish**

**Annual reports for the year to June 2021  
Parish Annual General Meeting  
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***Our mission: to promote Christian faith and values in  
the communities of the Kapiti Coast.***

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**N.B. Some reports have been edited.**

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## Interim Moderator's Report

Being an Interim Moderator (IM) is both an interesting and an enlightening experience. When you are an IM you have the pleasure of coming into a parish that is new to you, and as an outside observer you are allowed/able to see into the very heart of an organisation, and see its true health and well-being at the very centre of how it functions.

The Interim Moderator appointed to a church in a vacancy has two main roles. Firstly, to ensure church council meetings and parish governance continues in the absence of a minister, and secondly to ensure that the continuation of services of worship, sacraments and pastoral care remains in place in the absence of a minister.

For the first of these, the church council meetings and parish governance, I honestly have nothing but the highest praise for the people who you (and God) have tasked, and who have chosen to respond and give their time and effort to lead your church on Parish Council. My honest impression is that you are incredibly blessed by the people you have on parish council: in service, in the respect and care they give each other, in their desire to see the best for the parish, in the diligence/carefulness (and time) with which they do their tasks...in all areas they have shown themselves to be trustworthy, faithful, and wise, and good stewards of what the parish has entrusted to them.

There are many parishes that I have been able to be part of who wish they could gather together such a group of people to be their parish council. To the AGM I would like to say you should celebrate and cherish those who sit on your parish council, as the past 12 months have shown that the parish is in really good hands governance wise; there really are no problems or concerns at that level, as even when issues do arise they are dealt with well and thoroughly, and they are great people and you should all take time to thank them.

A special mention should go to Mary White for her caring and committed leadership as Parish Council Chairperson when she needed to step into that role for a time. I have taken on that role for the past three months to allow Mary not to be overworked with the amount she was doing for parish council, supporting the counselling service, and assisting with parish care and day-to-day running.

How well the parish council has been functioning shows up in the second area for which the IM is responsible to moderate – and that is the responsibility to moderate the continuation of services of worship, sacraments and pastoral care in the absence of a minister. In this area Bruce Johnston needs to be given a huge thanks for his efforts in co-ordinating this role, as well as all of the people, ministers, and lay preachers who take services on a weekly basis. It is not an easy task to hold three services each week, and keep them going without a permanent minister to begin with, but it has been done and done well. Of those who take the services, and help with pastoral care, I would like to especially thank Roger Wiig for all he has done for the parish in this area over the past year. He also should be given great thanks for the care and willingness he has shown to help out and minister in every worship and pastoral situation where his help and assistance has been needed.

I know that there are many in the parish who are frustrated that a new minister has not been found or come forward yet. But we are in very difficult and unusual times with how Covid-19 has affected our society, and where the Presbyterian, Methodist and Uniting Churches are within it. The occupations we see on the TV news calling out for help because there is such a shortage of people filling roles – like nurses, doctors, teachers, early childhood, health carers, hospitality, and orchard workers, to name just a few – is unfortunately exactly where we find ourselves as a church nationally as well. There are vacancies everywhere and no people free to fill them – and if KUP does get a minister, it is then perhaps a little concerning to know that means that someone else is going without. We can only hope and pray that a solution arises soon, and that a person who you and God want to be in this parish hears a call and comes forward in response. Until then, I just want to finish by saying – even though it is unsettling and not what we would wish for – you are in very good hands at the Parish Council level, and in your worship services and pastoral care. You have a great deal to be thankful for with the leadership and service you are receiving, even without a minister, and I hope you all take time to see it, realise it, appreciate it, and thank them – from all those involved in the office like Kate, all those who hold parish council roles and carry them out so thoroughly and carefully, and all who help with worship services and pastoral care. God bless you and may the next year see the answers to your deepest prayers.

*In God's services, Reverend Tony Wood.*

## Parish Council

Special greetings to the Parish, from your Parish Council.

This year has been marked by many unforeseen events. As the world has undergone immense shock and extreme changes due to Covid 19, we have found ourselves mostly untouched here in Kapiti.

However, we have faced many challenges in our Parish, due to illness and the inevitable adjustments that come about as different people take over roles, organise rosters and generally oversee the day-to-day running of the Church.

We started this year with a feeling of muted optimism. We had come through lockdown, we had an Interim Minister and most people were more than willing to be there for each other.

The various groups who use the Church buildings were back and the laughter of children from the playgroup could be heard again, choirs practising, the lovely people from the women's craft group were about and generally there was a busy feeling and the strange silence of relatively empty buildings was gone. It is a continuing source of joy that we are clearly carrying through the aspirations of those who have gone before us, in being able to provide space and a safe environment for many community groups who meet in our two properties.

Thrifty Place reopened in May, with many volunteers involved, Kay McIntosh did a sterling job of contacting everyone and organising a new roster.

A Parish dinner to celebrate Matariki and the end of lockdown was a great success.

In August we held the last official worship service at Paekakariki led by Rev. Cornelia Grant. Rev. Roger Wiig gave the address, and it was a source of comfort and inspiration to all who attended. The future of the property is in the hands of the Methodist Church.

A successful Parish Fair was held in October, and especially given the circumstances, I think we can all give ourselves a pat on the back. Thanks, Derek and Kate, for your key roles and thanks to Stuart Grant who somehow managed to fit it all in before the move to Christchurch.

As the end of 2020 drew nearer Roger and Carole, who had been coping with their own and wider family health issues, took the decision to withdraw from the Interim State of Supply roll, which led to others taking up responsibilities for some of the duties of a paid Minister.

In turn, this led to Bruce Johnston taking responsibility for the preaching roster, no small ask. With his usual professional attitude and good humour, he has ensured that we have been able to attend worship services for what has become an extended time period. The rest of us are still here with our God-given gifts, and this transition period has become a time when we can work together to take care of each other, which is what I see happening every day.

All the Christmas services were well organised and well received and we are most grateful to the many people who helped in all the different ways to bring about a successful outcome.

We have been blessed in having Rev. Tony Wood as our Interim Moderator; his encouragement, experience and faith have been truly valued.

Angelique Monaghan, our Community Worker, resigned due to family pressures and a decision was made to not continue this role at the present time.

A change of personnel in the office occurred in March, with positive outcomes, and 2021 seems to have drawn into winter, with the Parish functioning smoothly. This is due, not in small part, to the Waikanae and Raumati Groups who continue to attend to the day-to-day running of the properties.

Kate has put information about our facilities on the KCDC website. She is continuing with the Community Garden and the Fruit and Vegetable Initiative.

Easter was a special time with Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday Services led with skill and deep faith, by Rev. Roger Wiig on Thursday and The Very Rev Pamela Tankersley on Friday and Sunday. Heather List led the Good Friday service for United@9 and the Rev. Barrie Keenan led the service at Waikanae.

Mary Mill has relinquished her roll as Treasurer due to ill health and Cathy Drummond is continuing in her role as Interim Treasurer.

The Ministry Settlement Board requested that the Parish Council ask Stuart Simpson, who is the Central Presbytery Catalyst, to attend a Parish Council meeting. This was done and the Parish Council spent a very informative morning with Stuart and decided to invite him to address all members of the Parish who could attend a workshop with him. This took place in July.

The Parish Anniversary Service was held in June and newcomers were welcomed by Rev. Tony Wood and Diane Ammundsen.

Our thanks must go to all of the lay preachers, the visiting clergy, and the Ministers who are members of our Parish, who have and continue to support us through this vacancy. Special thanks must go to Roger Wiig for his willingness to conduct the monthly Communion services and for the pastoral support he has given to the dying and their families.

After the August AGM we will require a person to fill the role of Parish Council Chairperson and a Deputy. It has been a privilege to be in this role and I leave it with regret due to family commitments.

*May God be the centrepiece of all that we say and  
do at Kapiti Uniting Parish.*

*Mary White, Parish Council Chairperson*

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## **Ministry Settlement Board**

The Ministry Settlement Board has met several times during the course of the year to discuss applications from the few people who have enquired about our current vacancy. All of these people have been from overseas and came from a variety of environments. Even considering the enormous expense of bringing someone and their family into New Zealand, the Ministry Settlement Board did not feel that any of them were suitable for this Parish from a theological standpoint.

We have asked for prayers from the entire congregation, that the best person to be our minister hear God's call. We have also been listening for suggestions of ministers in New Zealand who might be interested in moving to Kapiti. As of the end of July, casual conversations have been taking place to this end. We will keep the Parish informed if we are able to move forward with anyone.

*Cathy Drummond, Convenor*

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## **Worship and Music Group**

The inaugural meeting of the committee was held on 15 March 2020.

Guidelines included:

- Development of the worship in the Parish
- Purchase of new resources
- Assistance for scripture readers in worship
- Responsibility for appropriate worship licences
- Maintain a music reference library
- Awareness of the worship environment
- Encourage/provide opportunities to participate in worship
- Oversight and maintenance of Parish musical instruments
- Prepare roster for pianists/organists

Current planning relates to the worship environment at the Raumati Church, which includes new and current banners and their placement. The planning can also relate to the Waikanae Church.

Music at the commencement and conclusion of worship is being reviewed.

Preparation of worship areas for special services is being considered i.e. Christmas, Easter, Harvest Festival etc.

Advertising Parish services in local newspapers is to be reintroduced.

New welcome packs are being prepared.



The relatively new committee has a challenging agenda to consider, particularly changes to our worship environment.

*Bruce Johnston, Convenor*

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## **Preachers Meeting**

The last 12 months have been most challenging to ensure that the three worship places in the parish have been allocated preachers for both Sunday and special services.

Rev. Roger Wiig, who was the Parish Interim Minister, unfortunately resigned from that position in October 2020 due to ill health and I was appointed to prepare the preacher rosters for the Parish.

The circumstances have been demanding but with the co-operation of both the invited ordained ministry and the Parish local preachers, all the services have been maintained.

It is most gratifying that attendances at services throughout the Parish have been encouraging, with special mention of the Easter period and combined services including the Parish Anniversary.

Finally a thank-you to all those who have offered their support by leading services of worship over the past year. Your substantial contribution to the Parish is appreciated.

*Bruce Johnston, Convenor*

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## **Social Opportunities Group**

Regular events held, such as board games (fortnightly on Mondays at 1.30 pm in the upstairs lounge), have been well supported. All are welcome.

The café lunches after our monthly combined service at Raumati have become very popular, with numbers increasing and good reports that both the event and the quality of food and company is A1.

Meeting and chatting informally is being appreciated by most.

Sadly the lunch date that was to be held on Mothers' Day was cancelled as, understandably, local cafés did not want to restrict themselves to just one large party.

The other main restriction being noted is space available for a group of 20+, but I continue to search out suitable venues and we may return to previous venues.

Other events during the year included a visit to the Circa Theatre by a group of about ten, a movie visit to Waikanae Shoreline Cinema and later we were delightfully hosted with an ad hoc meal at Syd and Joy Mephams' home.

The Quiz night, ably organised by Derek, though successful was not as well supported as we had hoped. However a good time was had by those taking part, with the Waikanae team being the winners.

August will see a new venture called My Story, and there are plans for forming a Kapiti Uniting Parish Book Club.

*Carole Rudings, Convenor*

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## **Pastoral Care Group**

The Pastoral Care Group meets monthly to discuss concerns re church members needing Pastoral care and visiting and we plan for that.

Pastoral visitors are –

Diane Ammundsen (Convenor)

Erica Carley

Lyn Martin

Jennie Dickens

Merrill Baker

Adrienne Burleigh

Carole Rudings

Diana Roberts (Waikanae Church)  
Nancy Lilly (contact for Kapiti Village)

The Group work very well together and are very supportive of each other. The convenor keeps in touch with all members of the group and tries to cover extra visiting required, especially those in hospital and those recently moved into rest homes, plus those recently bereaved. The convenor also sends cards to those suffering bereavements. Birthday cards to those celebrating decades and anniversary cards are also sent to parish members.

Spring Flower Sunday has been traditionally on the first Sunday in September and Jenny Latimer and Florence Hodder have organised helpers and prepared beautiful posies. These are then delivered to those who have suffered bereavements and to those confined to their homes.

We sadly record the death of Shirley Barnett in May this year. She was a valuable member of our team.

We rely on members of our congregation advising the Convenor and the team if they know of anyone needing our support.

*Diane Ammundsen, Convenor*

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## **Property and Finance Group**

Last September, when this group was formed, we knew it was going to be a difficult year: little did we know that our interim Minister Rev. Roger Wiig was going to fall ill, and the problems that would eventuate but also the recovery from the pandemic meaning the use of our halls would be affected thus affecting the income.

It is pleasing to note, however, that we have made a good recovery and the annual financial statements show the results.

The group's budget for the Parish this year, was approved at the Parish Council's June meeting. Several items have been pencilled in if there is money available, e.g. new net curtains for the upper and lower meeting rooms, a new exit door and replacement blinds in the sanctuary.

Regarding property, this is year two of a bi-annual full property inspection cycle, where all buildings are inspected by a team including a retired building inspector and a detailed report is written for each building. This is scheduled for late August. It is from this report that the following year's budget amounts for maintenance are established.

The committee members are Marie Smith, Renata Joyner, Mary Mill (former Treasurer), Cathy Drummond (Interim Treasurer), Carol Rudings (Secretary), and Derek Townsend (Convenor). All have worked well this year, thank you very much.

*Derek Townsend, Convenor*

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## **Raumati Committee**

The Raumati Group have met monthly over the past year.

Our main purpose is to ensure that the Raumati Church grounds and buildings are maintained and kept fully functional for both our parishioners and the many groups that hire our premises over the year, the income from which nearly covers the total cost of the property's upkeep.

We are a small group totalling six people and all have specific roles. Dorothy and Barrie Woods keep the main drive sparkling and Dorothy looks after the kitchens and amenities facilities.

Ralph Martin and Bruce Johnston together run two very successful music recitals in the church. Ralph also helps with the furniture collecting. Collected goods are then sold by the group on TradeMe.

Ian Patterson assists with the setting out of the Church chairs several times during the year.

Carol Rudings makes a good job of recording and producing the minutes for the meeting.

Another three ring-ins to the team for shifting furniture are Barrie Woods, John Lawton and Jim McIntosh, Kay's husband. Thank you all.

There have been three large working bees this year: the first for washing all windows and weeding the rear garden, the second to chop off all branches of the neighbours' trees that were on our side of the fence, and the third for the removal of the two large flax bushes behind the hall. All of these were well attended, thank you, and all work was completed ahead of time. There is always room on the group for interested people who are prepared to offer their services, why don't you consider it?

*Derek Townsend, Chairperson*

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## **Waikanae Church**

### **Waikanae Committee (Waicom)**

Waicom is the “new” KUP Committee handling all local tasks for Waikanae, and comprises elected members from the Waikanae congregation. Functions include: property matters, rosters for regular volunteer services, local finance matters and organising various events. Waikanae is represented at the Parish Council by the Congregational Representative (who must also be a Waicom member), with normal voting rights.

Waicom members through 2020-21 were: Evan Ireland, Ian Marsden, Renata Joyner, Marie Smith and also Murray Collingwood, who left part way through the year. Our thanks to Murray, who did a lot of work for the church and parish. Waicom does not run the church's other autonomous activity groups, (see below).

### **Waikanae Activity Groups**

Regular groups currently running within the church are: Women's Fellowship, pre-schoolers' playgroup and, in the warmer seasons, a home group (study and fellowship).

### **Pastoral Care**

All members of the congregation provide pastoral care, prayer and support; we are a small congregation who keep in touch with each other.

Our special thanks go to Diana Roberts for her many hours of service in this. Rev. John and Diana share monthly home Communion services with those members unable to come out and this is greatly appreciated by all.

### **Church Attendance, Members, Service and Preaching**

We are saddened by the loss this year of Joan Baber, Ray Smith, and Beryl Ross, asleep in the Lord. We also farewell Penny Van Doorn who moved to a retirement facility in Lower Hutt.

We are pleased to welcome newcomers Desmond Corrigan, Ruth Clarke, and Malcolm and Waveney Bowman.

Typical Sunday service attendance is 20 to 30 people, although during Covid alerts this has necessarily reduced. During periods of closure at the high alert levels, some limited internet communication and support was appreciated, although we didn't get as far as internet Sunday services that way.

There are 29 active congregational members on our email distribution list, plus two frequent casual attendees, and some other family members not receiving emails.

The screen and projector bought late last year have been well used, adding a new visual dimension to services; with a bit of fiddling with the microphone and laptop speakers, it has also been possible to play video clips.

However, the loss of Joan Baber, who shared the music workload with Marie Smith, has been both very sad and unfortunate. Marie cannot always be available to play the piano, and hence providing some substitute music and slotting it into the services has been a new challenge, particularly as the ancient sound system lacks connectivity to laptops.

Finding sufficient preachers to cover the three Sunday services is increasingly a problem; nonetheless Waikanae has been looked after with many of the services taken by ministers, and no Communion services have been missed. Our thanks go to the preaching team and to Bruce Johnston in particular for his long-suffering work finding and juggling preachers for the roster.

After services, everyone looks forward to the morning tea chat time, which is run akin to a café setting with groups of half a dozen seated at tables. The blessing of a smaller congregation is that everyone generally knows everyone. The congregation shares a strong fellowship and possesses a warm feeling of “family”.

The various duties needed for worship and the life of the church have been well supported by the congregation. Names are too numerous to list here; our thanks to everyone contributing in this way. (Music, flowers, bible reading, minister’s stewards, door stewards, morning tea, Communion preparation). Thanks also to those who have attended the working bees, and at other times contributed to property maintenance.

### **Neighbours Day**

In March this year Waikanae hosted a “Neighbours Day”, in the form of an extended morning tea in the lounge after the Sunday service. (Last year’s was cancelled due to Covid). Leaflets were delivered locally. Six neighbours popped in for a chat and cuppa, and were as much interested in meeting each other as ourselves. The church was open, with a slide show and soft music running. We should do this every year.

### **Parish Fair**

This year saw a stronger presence from Waikanae at the Parish Fair, notably with a new stall for fine china. Money raised significantly increased, to in excess of \$2,000. Thanks to Sharon Marsden in particular for a large contribution to this; thanks also to the rest of the team who manned stalls and did the setting up and packing up.

In the coming year, a children’s stall and quiet play area will also be tried.

### **Facilities**

The lounge is used every day of most weeks by various community groups, and it is gratifying to see this level of community support and interaction. The Friday play group is also supported by the Ministry of Education, who have provided a new heat pump in the lounge, which has proved vastly superior to the old overhead heaters.

In summary, the Waikanae church is in good health with good prospects for the coming year.

*Ian Marsden*

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## **Parish Development and Outreach**

On Monday and Thursday mornings children, parents and caregivers come together, for play, music, chat and morning tea. On Monday up to 15 children enjoy music, then play. On Thursday up to 25 children enjoy play with music. The work Melissa and Barrie put into our playgroups means fun and fellowship for all. The parents really appreciate that we have free playgroups, and Melissa uses Facebook to keep everyone informed.

*Maureen Calhaem*

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## **Kapiti Family Centre Inc (A charitable trust) operating as the Kapiti Counselling Service, at the Parish Raumati Centre**

The service is normally carried out under a supplementary payment arrangement, with payments made by the Trust direct to counsellors, with space and other facilities being provided by the parish. The supplementary payments are to subsidise clients who cannot afford full fees. There are three part-time professional counsellors, who provide an effective service to the community. Unfortunately this year the external grant income has been very limited (partly because of funder focus on Covid issues) and the supplementary payments have been suspended for nine months. Much appreciated recent donations from the Parish and parish members will enable resumption of some support payments to the counsellors.

The management committee of the trust are all members of the Parish.

*Mary White, Chairperson*



## **Raumati Morning Women's Fellowship**

We are pleased to present this Annual Report. Over the past 12 months the group has been led by Pat and Lyn and they will continue in the leadership role for the next twelve months.

Over the last year we have heard a variety of speakers, including Bronwyn Waterhouse who told us about Freedom Medical Alarms. Roger Wiig gave an interesting talk about the time he and Carole spent during their ministry in Melbourne, Brisbane and West Wickham in London. In November, Shane from the Mobility Centre gave a very informative talk and demonstration of some of the equipment available from the Centre. At our March meeting, Sharon Newey spoke about her interesting job as sub-editor of the NZ House and Garden magazine. In May, Gus Evans spoke to us of his work owning a garden centre nursery for many years and his involvement within the organisation. At our December meeting we brought gifts for the Women's Refuge, which we put under the Christmas tree. Then the committee presented a reflection titled "The Clarion Call of Christmas". In April we shared Easter memories followed by an Easter game organised by Pam Newey.

Last September our members enjoyed a well-attended luncheon held at Maison 8. In February we held our New Year dinner to which partners and church members were invited.

This year's World Day of Prayer was cancelled due to Covid Level 2 restrictions.

In May Rosalie Sugrue led our Special Projects service which had been cancelled from last year. Our speaker was Peter Wood from the Order of St. John. Slides with commentary were shown of the overseas project to support Palestinian refugees and their families. A special morning tea was held and raised \$380.

Through the year we have made donations to the World Day of Prayer (\$50), Guide Dog Puppies (\$50), Fred Hollows Foundation (\$110), Least Coin (\$87), Kapiti Counselling Service (\$86) and Wellington Free Ambulance (\$50). We also donated pantry items to Dianne and Sean Doyle after their house fire.

On a sad note, we lost our treasurer Shirley Barnett on 16 May. Shirley had been a longstanding member of our group and our treasurer since 2003. She will be sorely missed.

Thank you to the committee for their support over the past 12 months. Special thanks to our secretary, Merrill Baker, who has also been acting treasurer for the past four months.

Our members are involved in many aspects of our local church life and we look forward to another year of friendship and fellowship together.

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## **Raumati Afternoon Women's Fellowship**

I am pleased to present the 2020-21 Annual Report of the *Afternoon Women's Fellowship*. Like most groups in the parish, COVID restrictions continued to limit some gatherings in the past year. When unable to meet contacts were maintained through phone calls and occasional emails, though only a few of our members have emails.

Aug: We were delighted to celebrate Kath Turkington turning 100. It proved lucky for us as on the actual date COVID restrictions prevented a proper party. Kath led devotions using 1 Corinthians 13 followed by an Eddie Askew reflection. Then it was party time with a 1920s theme - that included games and quizzes, cake and candles, with Rev Roger and Carole Wiig as guests.

Sept: Covid-19 caused *Breakers* to reduce its days of opening, Tuesday not being one of them, so instead of our long tradition of an annual restaurant roast, we went to Café Palms and found it most agreeable.

Oct: Maureen led devotions with a nautical theme illustrated with photos of seas she had cruised on. Diane Ammundsen then entertained with tales of her sailing adventures, aided by photo albums. We brought grocery items for the church fair.

Nov: Was a social meeting. The Melbourne Cup was celebrated with a zigzag track the length of four tables, milk-top tokens for horses and large fluffy dice.

- Dec: Instead of our usual Christmas Party we returned to Café Palms, bringing Christmas crackers and gift-wrapped sweets making a very enjoyable time for all, including two members no longer able to attend meetings.
- Feb: Due to not having a minister there was no combined New Beginnings Communion service this year. We were looking forward to supporting World Day of Prayer in the new Catholic Church but the Bishop decided to ban Catholic services in March due to COVID concerns. However WDP services were held in some places and I received several emails from fellowship women who had noticed I'd been commissioned to write a NZ prayer for the NZ publication. This year the WDP programme was prepared by the women of Vanuatu and the theme was building safe communities.
- March: We were able to have our usual first regular meeting and had a good catch-up of happenings during our summer break. Our 'show and tell' revealed members had done some remarkable craft work and two had published small books. We celebrated International Women's Day with devotions from Nan Burgess's *Braided River of Faith* that centred on Shirley Murray. We shared memories of women who had been influential in our personal Christian journeys.
- April: Easter devotions by Maureen included individual bowls of chocolate treats complete with an Easter egg and symbolic butterfly in each. Fun theme was St George's Day and Shakespeare's Birthday. 'Show and tell' was something made in England. Our quiz was quotes in 17th Century English – from the Bible or Shakespeare?
- May: In May we reflected on mothers and mothering, and shared an early memory of our own mothers. Our 4<sup>th</sup> of May fun activity explained the significance of that day being international Star Wars Day. Practiced Vulcan Salutes and Star Wars greeting, "May the force be with you". With word-searches now being a regular *Together* item we did a Bible Mothers word-search, making sure everyone understood the process, and introduced the handy hint of colouring words found with a crayon. The Special Project service went well with an excellent speaker from St John's Ambulance

and an interesting power-point on Women in Israel. Morning tea provided by the Morning Fellowship followed the service. Donations of \$380 were added to the Special Project fund that is currently supporting these causes.

June: ‘Finding God in Winter’ was reflected on through prayer poems. We shared stories of memorable winters and played a round-robin memory game of “*In winter I like to...*” Then consolidated word-search skills with a ‘Winter Delights’ search and had a go at creating our own winter search by building on five provided words.

We are sad to report the deaths of Theresa Banks and Rita Jordan, both long time loyal members of our group, and we acknowledge the death of Shirley Barnett, who was a past member. The Afternoon Fellowship has been blessed with wonderfully loyal women for decades. It is sad to witness declining health but we feel fortunate to live in a region that offers a choice of good care homes and to be in a church that makes a point of visiting its elderly. Three of our associate members reside in the Kapiti Rest Home - Billie Young, Shirley Nalder and Betty Logan. Betty Moss is in the Kena Kena Rest Home. Maisie Lund, now 101 years old, made the front page of a local paper, being photographed having the first COVID jab at Summerset Rest Home. Joy Nalder is also at Summerset and this year they were joined by Rose Hamlin. Molly Keene is at Rymans in Waikanae. Janette Dale, who remains a member of our Parish, has notified she is moving from her daughter’s home in Palmerston North to Huntleigh Home in Karori. Janette is happy that it is run by Enliven and has its own chaplain. She intends to continue thinking of KUP as her home parish.

With the ANZ Bank no longer accepting cheques, and requiring existing cheque accounts to be closed and a new account opened, we felt it timely to merge the two Raumatī Fellowship accounts into one and name it the Raumatī Women’s Fellowship account, while continuing to operate as two separate groups. The ex-Evening, now Morning Fellowship, agreed to this arrangement. We are grateful that they are willing to take responsibility for all Fellowship matters relating to money.

I wish to place on record our appreciation to our long serving treasurer Patricia McAdam who took over from Janette Dale’s sterling service. Pat has not only faithfully cared for our money with quiet efficiency but has

taken care of various other tasks including membership records and serving afternoon tea.

Our regular meetings are generally theme-based to the year. The focus of Afternoon Fellowship is providing a friendly gathering for church seniors with a time of socialising while maintaining connection to the national women's groups of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches and supporting Christian outreaches such as the annual PWANZ and NZMWF Special Project. We also contribute to the Fellowship of the Least Coin, and our district's social services, Enliven and Wesley Community Action.

Current active membership stands at eleven. It is by working together as a team that this elderly group is able to function. I would like to thank each of you for your individual contribution, and particular thanks to my co-facilitator Maureen who takes responsibility for setting up and for adding many special touches such as birthday cards and little treats.

A warm welcome is assured for any who would like to join us, including males, for a time of fellowship at 2 pm on the first Tuesday of the month.

*Rosalie Sugrue, Co-Facilitator*

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## **Waikanae Women's Fellowship**

Despite the continuing Covid-19 pandemic and the various restrictions which have been in place over the past year the Waikanae Women's Fellowship members have been able to meet regularly as usual. Thank you to everyone for your faithfulness.

We have enjoyed meeting in members' homes and thank you for your hospitality.

Instead of outside speakers our own members have spoken on particular topics or we have had general discussions on a variety of subjects.

Rev John Roberts gave us background information on the two referendums which were held at the time of the General Election.

1. The End of Life Act 2019 and 2. The Proposed Cannabis Legalisation and Control Bill. (*Results 1. Agreed 2. Not Agreed*)

In October we hosted members from Raumati Fellowships and heard from Pam Sims, a chaplain at Arohata Women's Prison at Tawa. Over time the physical buildings have changed but improvements to educational and support programmes are still needed.

Thank you to Diana and John Roberts for hosting members to a very enjoyable festive meeting and luncheon in November.

In February we welcomed Waveney Bowman. Waveney, Monica Olsson's daughter, and her husband Malcolm have been unable to return to their home in New York because of the pandemic. We wished Penny van Doorn well on her upcoming relocation to Lower Hutt.

16 February was Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day and Diana based her devotions on this and Ash Wednesday. Ashes from the previous year's flax crosses are burnt and used to make a cross on the forehead.

The World Day of Prayer had to be cancelled because we were in COVID Level 2 restrictions.

Sunday May 16 was the Special Project service, very ably prepared and led by Diana Roberts. St. John's Ambulance and Educational Programmes for refugee Palestinian Women and Children was the focus. A soup and rolls lunch followed and was enjoyed by 18 members of the congregation. \$470 in donations was gratefully received.

In May we were saddened by the death of Beryl Ross, a long time active member of the Waikanae congregation and Fellowship. Beryl always made very positive contributions. We give thanks for having known Beryl and her late husband Philip. Thank you to everyone for your continuing care and understanding of Fellowship members and the congregation.

*Marie Smith*

## Thrifty Place

The Thrifty Place 'Op Shop' continues to thrive with the enthusiastic support of all its volunteers, which include the shop staff, flag men, people who generously donate goods, and Kate, the KUP Administrator, who looks after our advertising and assists with the general running of the shop. Having 'Op Shop' on the new flags appears to have attracted some 'newcomers' to the shop, including young people.

We continue to have many regular customers, and many new people as well.

From our vantage point at Thrifty, we observe many positive happenings around the church. There's the Tuesday morning craft group who are good customers, and Alison, who organises the group, often keeps us well supplied with fruit from her orchard which we pass on to our customers for a donation. We get many enquiries about the community garden, with people wanting to assist with it, and also picking vegetables. Recently, we had customers in Thrifty discussing the different ways of cooking kale which is growing at this time. The people who buy from the Kapiti Fruit and Vege Co-op often shop in Thrifty when they pick up their orders on a Thursday afternoon.

Thrifty has also become involved in some community projects such as "Kapiti Hidden Books" which is a book project aimed at encouraging children to read, plus "Share the Warmth - Kāpiti" which aims to provide those in need with some basic items such as blankets, hats, socks, and jackets.

*Kay McIntosh, Co-Manager*

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## E-Prayer

The E-prayer group has prayed its way through 2020 /2021. We receive requests and each week we share them with each other and in our own time include them in our prayers.



In a time of real anxiety, the knowledge that someone cares enough to listen and to pray for you is a true blessing.

We have in common the belief that prayer makes a difference and we are often asked to pray for someone who is dying. Families have told us that the person involved is greatly comforted to know that they are being upheld in prayer, and that they experience a sense of peace and acceptance.

Those who are grieving also find the same knowledge helpful. You will find us in the Together newsletter, you can ring or email us, Mary White, Merrill Baker or Mary Francis: our numbers, addresses etc are in the Directory. We will pass on the request to the group.

*Prayer is sharing with others the experience of Grace*

*Mary White*

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## **Raumati Village Community Garden**



Our Community Garden continues to do well and provide for the community. The highlight from the past year was our new logo which was designed by my brother, Ian Hammond, and painted by Stacy White from the Waikanae Community Garden.

The new sign was unveiled by our local MP for Mana, Barbara Edmonds. The Kapiti News featured the unveiling in their newspaper and online and Barbara gave the Raumati Village Community Garden a mention in her maiden speech at Parliament!

All the time and materials were donated to produce and install the sign. Thank you to Resene Paints, Kapiti College and my husband Michael who installed the sign. Thank you to everyone who came along to the unveiling.

Throughout the year we have planted spring onions, silverbeet, pak choy and spinach, radish, celery, kale and broccoli. Recently New World Kapiti donated surplus Little Gardens from their recent promotion and we



planted them as well. We had a visit from the Raumati Cub Scout Group who planted some beans.

We have held working bees throughout the year, which saw us top up the beds with purchased compost and empty our compost bins. Thank you to Salem, Davina and Sue for your efforts this year. Thank you to the Murray and Tristram families for donations of garden tools.

We have recently applied for a grant to purchase a kitset compost bin through the Kapiti Coast District Council's Waste Reduction Levy Grants. The current compost bins are not very attractive or productive. We will be notified of the outcome in November.

Attending a Food Hui recently at the Kapiti Impact Hub highlighted the importance of locally-grown food, moving forward. We hope to hold some workshops regarding composting this coming year, and grow our group so everyone in the community can benefit from the garden. The garden brings lots of joy and it is in such a beautiful spot. We love seeing regular visitors from the Women's Craft Group and Thrifty Place customers each week.

Thank you for all your support.

*Kate Foley*

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **Year ended 30 June 2021**

The 2020-2021 Parish Year has been a difficult one, with the resignation of Roger Wiig as our interim Minister due to ill health, followed by the constant need to find visiting ministers for our services. But we have ended up in a remarkably good financial position, due mainly to the support of the parishioners as well as increased income from both Thrifty Place and facility hires.

The Parish shop, Thrifty Place, has shown increased sales against minimal costs. Income from hire of the facilities at all churches (including Paekakariki) has also been excellent. A sincere thanks to all the Thrifty Place volunteers and Kate Foley in the church office for their work in these two valuable areas.

For the first time in ages, the Property and Finance Committee has been able to draw up a Budget for the forthcoming year. Every committee was asked to submit a budget for 2021/22 and these figures were incorporated into the overall budget as well as general expenses. Henceforth, all financial reports will include reference to the budget figures for the specific categories.

As mentioned in previous Treasurer reports, Property Maintenance and ever-increasing insurance costs will continue to demand significant expenditure. We have so far been extremely fortunate in that we have had very little extra to do around earthquake strengthening or major repairs. I have some concerns that the property valuations are very low and we should look at having all properties re-valued, even if it means increased costs for rates and insurance.

I would like to pay a special tribute to Mary Mill, who handed over this position to me in April. Her work on the transition from MYOB and her organisation of the processes made it easy for me to slot into the position.

There have been some major changes around the staffing positions in the parish. The previous parish administrator, Isabel Bennett, resigned about the same time as the family worker, Angelique Monaghan. This gave the parish an opportunity to restructure the positions and Kate Foley was employed as the Parish Administrator and I was employed as Interim Treasurer (six hours a week).

Other major items of expenditure are as follows:

Thomson Plumbing & Gas Ltd      Raumati Men's Urinal Installation:  
15/3/21 \$1,035.83 GST excl. and 20/4/21 \$1,036.72 GST excl.

My sincere thanks to Kay Smith for reviewing the 2020-2021 Parish  
Accounts.

*Cathy Drummond, Interim Treasurer*

# **Kapiti Uniting Parish**

## **Statement of Accounting Policies**

### **For the year ended 30 June 2021**

#### **General Accounting Policies**

Kapiti Uniting Parish has elected to apply the accounting standard PBE SFR-A (NFP) *Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit)* on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of equal to or less than \$2,000,000. The Statement of Performance report is prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and on the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

#### **Changes in accounting policies**

There have been no changes in accounting policies in the current period.

#### **Particular accounting policies**

Particular accounting policies that have a significant effect on the financial statements are:

**GST** – all income and expenses are recorded exclusive of GST

**Income Tax** - Kapiti Uniting Parish is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax, having fully complied with all statutory conditions for these exemptions

**Fixed Assets** – Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis at rates that will write off the cost of their estimated remaining useful lives. The useful lives of the major classes of assets have been estimated as follows:

Major furniture and chattels 20 years

Computers and other electronic equipment 5 years

Sound equipment 10 years

Depreciation has not been provided for on major buildings as their value is not expected to decline in the foreseeable future.

# Statement of Financial Performance

Kapiti Uniting Parish

For the year ended 30 June 2021

<b>Offering</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Offering Cash	6,655	7,809
Offering Direct Credits	95,096	96,022
Offering Donations	2,676	1,129
Offering Envelopes	27,965	31,154
Offering Messy Church	0	110
Offering Playgroups	0	1,155
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>132,392</b>	<b>137,378</b>
<b>Bequests Received</b>		
Bequests Received	20,000	0
<b>Total Bequests Received</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Thrifty Place</b>		
<b>Thrifty Place income</b>		
Thrifty Place Income	27,068	20,732
Thrifty Place: Trade Me & Furniture Sales	5,407	6,897
<b>Total Thrifty Place income</b>	<b>32,475</b>	<b>27,629</b>
<b>Thrifty Costs</b>		
Thrifty Place Advertising	592	180
Thrifty Place EFTPOS	422	390
Thrifty Place Maintenance	47	439
Thrifty Place Miscellaneous	3,075	2,343
<b>Total Thrifty Costs</b>	<b>4,136</b>	<b>3,351</b>
<b>Net Thrifty Place</b>	<b>28,339</b>	<b>24,277</b>
<b>Rental Property</b>		
<b>Rental Property</b>		
Rental Property Income	27,030	24,240
<b>Rental Property Costs</b>		
Rental Property Agent's Commission	2,676	2,389
Rental Property Insurance	2,065	1,681
Rental Property Rates	3,491	3,250
Rental Property Repairs and Maintenance	1,436	272
Rental Property Water rates	224	231
<b>Total Rental Property Costs</b>	<b>9,892</b>	<b>7,824</b>
<b>Total Rental Property</b>	<b>17,138</b>	<b>16,416</b>

	2021	2020
<b>Use of Facilities</b>		
Property Income Paekakariki	724	610
Property Income Raumati	21,199	18,863
Property Income Waikanae	4,665	2,020
<b>Total Use of Facilities</b>	<b>26,588</b>	<b>21,494</b>
<b>Other Income</b>		
Fair Income	6,850	6,629
Interest	3,162	1,731
Other Income	863	682
Recitals Income	2,426	691
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>13,301</b>	<b>9,733</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
Grants Ministry of Education	2,797	0
M.O.E Waikanae Grant transferred from Balance Sheet 30/06/2020	5,450	0
Grants Other	0	24,778
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>8,247</b>	<b>24,778</b>
<b>Dedicated Income</b>		
Dedicated income	0	18,449
Playgroup: Donations from Parents	118	0
<b>Total Dedicated Income</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>18,449</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>246,123</b>	<b>252,526</b>

<b>Operating Expenses</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Administration</b>		
Administration ACC Levies	303	337
Administration Bank Fees	120	131
Administration: Creditors Balance transferred from MYOB	0	(1,180)
Administration Equipment Maintenance	494	1,441
Administration General Expenses	650	1,592
Administration KiwiSaver	676	810
Administration Office Salaries	27,550	27,000
Other Costs	566	563
Administration Photocopier Meter	1,344	2,383
Administration Photocopier Rental	3,255	2,538
Administration Stationery and Postage	1,888	1,884
Administration Telephones	1,134	1,116
Administration Web and Internet	334	596
Administration: Xero Accounting Package Monthly Fee	216	26
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>38,530</b>	<b>39,237</b>
<b>Levies</b>		
Presbytery Levy	2,309	2,168
PCANZ General Assembly Levy	10,884	10,222
<b>Total Levies</b>	<b>13,193</b>	<b>12,391</b>
<b>Committee Costs</b>		
Committee Finance	0	30
Committee Parish Council	0	355
Committee Pastoral	137	0
Committee Property	0	174
Committee Social Opportunities	0	210
Committee Worship	201	368
Committee Worship Advertising	830	545
<b>Total Committee Costs</b>	<b>1,168</b>	<b>1,680</b>
<b>Family Worker</b>		
Messy Church	0	741
Family Worker Facilitator	(400)	400
Family Worker Kiwi Saver	1,140	570
Family Worker Car expenses	0	381
Family Worker Resources	0	222
Family Worker Salary	11,322	18,875
<b>Total Family Worker</b>	<b>12,063</b>	<b>21,189</b>

	2021	2020
<b>Ministry Costs</b>		
Ministry Books	0	708
Miscellaneous fees	150	614
Ministry Housing	0	13,121
Ministry Insurance	0	998
Ministry Kiwi Saver	129	3,363
Stipend	15,322	44,682
Ministry Non Taxable Allowances	0	1,950
Ministry Supervisor	400	470
Ministry Telephones	0	143
Ministry Vehicle	0	3,965
Visiting Minister's Travel/Mileage Expenses	3,076	0
Visiting Minister's Preaching Fees	8,960	0
<b>Total Ministry Costs</b>	<b>28,036</b>	<b>70,012</b>
<b>Playgroup</b>		
Playgroup Co-ordinator Salary	12,808	13,223
Playgroup Kiwi Saver	349	441
Playgroup Resource Expenses	776	355
Playgroup Travel	461	690
<b>Total Playgroup</b>	<b>14,394</b>	<b>14,709</b>
<b>Property Costs</b>		
Property Cleaning: Raumati	4,375	4,360
Property Cleaning: Waikanae wages	917	1,057
Property Insurance	15,797	14,500
Property Kitchen Supplies	752	338
Property Maintenance	8,584	20,982
Property Other Expenses	1,352	1,876
Property Power	5,797	3,030
Property Rates	1,593	1,698
Property Water rates	767	816
<b>Total Property Costs</b>	<b>39,933</b>	<b>48,657</b>
<b>Wider Mission</b>		
Wider Mission Conferences & Levies	174	0
Wider Mission CV Removal Fund	1,035	900
<b>Total Wider Mission</b>	<b>1,909</b>	<b>5,200</b>
Social Activities	(149)	0
Depreciation	4,496	7,480
Playgroup Expenses : Waikanae	65	0
Raumati: Playgroup Expenses	39	0
Waikanae : Playgroup Expenses	78	0
Recitals Expenses	1,891	0
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>155,647</b>	<b>220,553</b>
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>90,476</b>	<b>31,973</b>



## Schedule of Fixed Assets

	Cost	Depreciation	Book Value
<b>Buildings</b>			
Paekakariki	\$ 165,000		\$ 165,000
Raumati	\$ 1,061,538		\$ 1,061,538
Robert Grove	\$ 370,000		\$ 370,000
Waikanae	\$ 370,641		\$ 370,641
<b>Total Buildings</b>	<u>\$ 1,967,179</u>		<u>\$ 1,967,179</u>
<b>Chattels</b>			
Paekakariki	\$ 24,500	\$ 11,744	\$ 12,756
Raumati	\$ 191,941	\$ 103,213	\$ 88,729
Robert Grove	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,631	\$ 369
Waikanae	\$ 44,898	\$ 20,316	\$ 24,582
<b>Total Chattels</b>	<u>\$ 463,281</u>	<u>\$ 248,116</u>	<u>\$ 215,165</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	\$ 2,238,488	\$ 144,904	\$ 2,093,584

# Balance Sheet

Kapiti Uniting Parish

As at 30 June 2021

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Bank</b>		
Main Bank Account	23,434	48,462
<b>Total Bank</b>	<b>23,434</b>	<b>48,462</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Methodist Growth & Income Account	46,525	44,565
Methodist Short Term Deposit	46,821	20,639
PIF ON CALL INVESTMENT 23 Sept 2020	62,000	0
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>155,346</b>	<b>65,204</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Chattels Paekakariki	24,500	24,500
Chattels Raumati	192,090	190,952
Chattels Robert Grove	10,000	10,000
Chattels Waikanae	44,898	41,048
Land and Buildings Paekakariki	165,000	165,000
Land and Buildings Raumati	1,061,538	1,061,538
Land and Buildings Robert Grove Manse	370,000	370,000
Land and Buildings Waikanae	359,000	359,000
Land and Buildings Waikanae Church: New roof for Lounge	11,611	11,611
Less Accumulated Depreciation Chattels Robert Grove Manse	(9,631)	(9,609)
Less Accumulated Depreciation Chattels Raumati	(103,213)	(99,944)
Less Accumulated Depreciation Chattels Waikanae	(20,316)	(19,494)
Less Accumulated Depreciation Chattels Paekakariki	(11,744)	(11,361)
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>2,093,733</b>	<b>2,093,241</b>
<b>Non-current Assets</b>		
Presbyterian Investment Fund: Term Deposit S. Leslie Bequest	20,000	0
<b>Total Non-current Assets</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>2,292,514</b>	<b>2,206,907</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
GST	(462)	(1,042)
MOE Unexpended Grant	0	5,450
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>(462)</b>	<b>4,407</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>(462)</b>	<b>4,407</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>2,292,975</b>	<b>2,202,499</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Current Year Earnings	90,476	31,973
Retained Earnings	2,202,499	2,170,527
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>2,292,975</b>	<b>2,202,499</b>

## Kapiti Uniting Parish

I have reviewed the accounts for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and find them to be a true record as shown in the Statement of Financial Performance.

The only area of large cost variation was in the Ministry costs which is a reflection of there being no appointment of a minister

 9.8.21

Kay Smith

## **Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting Kapiti Uniting Parish**

Held on Sunday August 2nd 2020, during the 10 am service at  
Raumati Church

Chairman : Rev Roger Wiig  
Secretary : Jan Rae  
Present: 87 members  
Apologies; Alison Stirrat, Dianne Boyce

As the minutes of the 2019 AGM had been distributed, these were taken as read. It was moved (The Very Rev Margaret Schrader) and seconded (Bill McKeich) that these were a true and correct record of the meeting. Carried.

It was moved that the reports on pages 5 -8 and pages 17 -24 of the Annual Report be accepted with the inclusion of Jennie Dickens' name to the list of Pastoral Care group members. Moved Cathy Drummond, Seconded Ian Patterson. Carried

### **Recommendations from Parish Council**

1. That the Parish council gives urgent consideration to the revision of the parish guidelines. Moved Bruce Johnston, Seconded Tralee Sugrue, Carried.

Cathy Drummond asked if there is a timeframe for this. Reply from Chair was that it needs to be sorted out as soon as possible.

2. That the Parish Council meets quarterly and appoints an executive comprising the Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, the Property Advisor and the Minister that meet to make decisions between meetings when needed. Moved Cathy Drummond. Seconded Shirley Barnett. Carried

Evan Ireland asked if the executive is a subset of the Parish Council? Answer - Not entirely as it includes a Property Advisor who is not a member of the Parish Council but who is very knowledgeable about church property and funding possibilities.

3. That the following be elected as members of the Parish Council: Mary White (Chair), Jan Rae (Secretary) Mary Mill (Treasurer) A representative of the following parish groups - Property and Finance, Education, Social Opportunities, Pastoral Care, Music and Worship, a representative from each of the Raumati and Waikanae congregations

(elected by these congregations) and the Minister.

Moved Tralee Sugrue, Seconded Mary Francis. Carried

Question - are we looking at people's roles rather than at individuals?

Answer - Yes, we need to get representation across the various groups.

4. That the decision to close St James Paekakariki be confirmed and that this AGM notes and confirms:

That the Parish Council's decision on the closure was communicated in a pastoral manner by a team from the Council.

That the last service at St James would be conducted by the Minister on 30 August.

That the pastoral care and oversight of the Paekakariki members would continue.

That the sale of the building would be in accordance with the guidelines of the Methodist Church (Te Hahi Weteriana)

Moved Ralph Martin. Seconded Ken Milne. Carried

## **Finance**

It was moved that the Treasurer's report, the financial documents, the Accountant's report and the report of the Finance Group be received and that the budget for the year ending June 30th 2021 be approved.

Moved Bruce Johnston, seconded Ralph Martin, Carried

## **Minister's Report**

It was moved that the report be received

That the AGM places on record its sincere appreciation of the 9-year ministry of the Rev Cornelia Grant. We give thanks for the loving, competent, pastorally sensitive and caring ministry Cornelia exercised among us.

That the AGM places on record its sincere appreciation of the leadership given to the Parish by Syd Mepham and wishes him and Joy every blessing as they continue in the life and work of the parish.

Moved Roger Wiig, Seconded Jenny Latimer Carried

That the AGM places on record its sincere appreciation of the service given to Parish Council by Ken and Janet Milne and wish them every blessing as they continue in the life and work of the parish.

Moved Rev Roger Wiig, seconded Dorothy Woods.

## **General Business**

Barrie Woods asked how we are going to continue pastoral care at Paekakariki. Roger Wiig cited the example of his delivering the Annual Report booklets to members there.

Margaret Schrader commented on the Waikanae representation on Parish Council that appears to be dominated by Raumati members. It was pointed out that both congregations have one representative and that other councillors could come from either Waikanae or Raumati.

Joan Baber suggested that if Parish Council is going to continue with 'Open' meetings then perhaps some of these could be at Waikanae.

The business being concluded, the Worship service continued.



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