

St ANDREWS CHURCH

November 2017 Bulletin

OUR VALUES

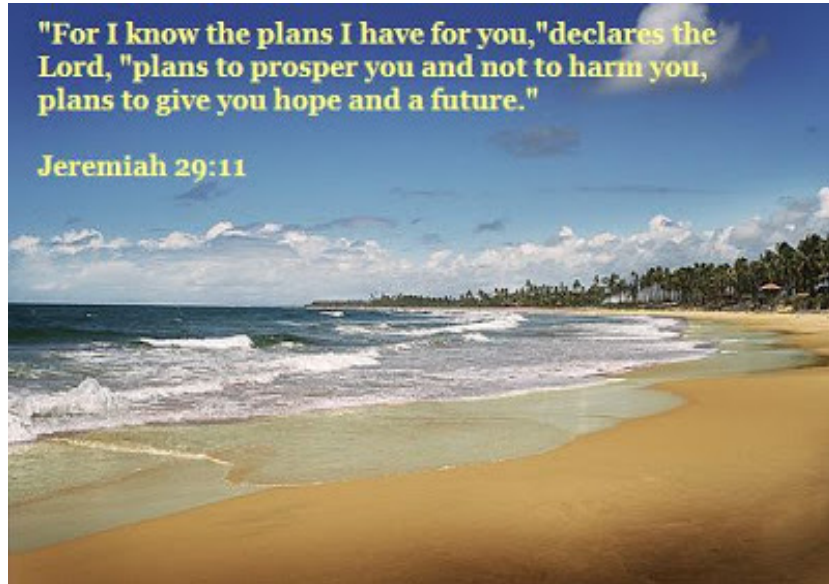
Loving God and loving others, Community, Biblical Truth, Sacrificial service, Transformation, Mission

OUR VISION

Serving Christ

OUR MISSION

To serve Christ by living the values of the St Andrews faith community



WELCOME TO ST ANDREWS

Prayer is offered at the end of the services. Please join us for morning tea after Morning Worship and a bite to eat before Evening Worship. More information about St Andrews is provided in the foyer and on our website.

SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

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| Sunday: November 5 | 9:30am Morning Worship | 5:30pm Evening Worship |
| Sunday: November 12 | 9:30am Morning Worship | 5.30pm Evening Worship |
| Sunday: November 19 | 9:30am Morning Worship with Communion | 5.30pm Evening Worship with Communion |
| Sunday: November 26 | 9:30am Morning Worship | 5:30pm Evening Worship |

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES run during Morning Worship, except during school holidays. Activities for children are available at evening worship.

CONTACT DETAILS

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Join us during November

1. **Craft & Natter:** Saturday , 4th November: 9am—noon in the Lounge.
2. Sunday 5th November: **Wayne Johns** from Bethel Church will be our guest speaker at both Services.
3. **City Wide Prayer Gathering:** Saturday, 11th November. Please join us: Hihiaua Park on the Hatea Loop @ 8am
4. **Joint ICONZ and Girls' Brigade Service:** Sunday, 12th November.
5. **Children's Bible Ministries** in the Hall for the whole day: Tuesday, November 14th. Ian Fletcher: 09 630 5271 / 021 596 892 or www...shop.cbm.org.nz
6. **Annual General Meeting of St Andrews congregation** will be held on Tuesday 21st November @ 7pm in the Sanctuary
7. **Artfull Crafts:** Tuesday, November 21, whole day in the Hall.
8. **Combined Evening Worship, December 3rd @ 5.30pm** preceded by bring-and-share supper: **Jules Riding** will perform & give his testimony .
9. **Lorne** will on **study leave:** October 30th —November 4th and on leave: November 10th –27th.
10. Would you like to take part in the **Christmas Eve Service?** Contact Robin: 436 0433
11. **Sausage for a Story** has recommenced ... 12noon Wednesdays in the front garden.
12. Please let us know when your **contact details / addresses** have **changed**. Many thanks.
13. **My appreciation** to my St Andrew's family who made my 90th birthday special with flowers, cards, visits and prayers. May God bless you all. Many thanks: Martie Rossouw.
14. Pre-Christmas message from our Moderator, the Right Reverend Richard Dawson:

As we approach Christmas and the end of another year I want to call the whole Church to prayer. I am particularly aware of how important Christmas is both for the Church as a family and for her witness in and to the world. Christmas and Easter are still universally recognised as Christian festivals even if the depth of understanding is not great. Many people only come to church on these special days. It is, therefore, important that we recognise the opportunities we have at these times to bring a message of hope and mercy to those who live outside the Church family. I know many of you do engage the community in all sorts of creative ways at Christmas and I also know that many churches put on special services to mark the occasion. Can I encourage you to continue these traditions and to work as hard as possible to raise the Christ-child up at this time? However, I also know that this is a very busy time for staff and especially for Ministers, so I want to call the Church to prayer for our Christmas witness and especially for these people for this period.

*Can you please distribute this letter as widely as possible amongst your people and so call them to prayer for the areas I've listed below and can you engage in at least **one special time of prayer (*)** in your parish where people can come apart and spend some quality time in praying for these things? The Church marches on its prayers. Let us, then, march together this Christmas. Points for prayer:*

1. *That our witness this Christmas may be gracious and effective.*
2. *That we may find many ways to bless those who struggle with Christmas, especially the poor and distressed.*
3. *That we may bless our Ministers and staff through the Christmas period and ensure they get adequate rest and refreshment over summer.*
4. *That we will find the needed resources to staff churches over summer.*
5. *That we will all experience peace and provision this year, which is at the heart of the Christmas tradition.*

In Christ—Richard Dawson (Moderator PCANZ)

* Parish Prayer Meeting: Wednesdays 12.30pm in the Little Lounge.

Giving for September was \$14793 against a budget for the month of \$16833

Thank you for your faithful giving to the furthering of God's Kingdom.