

Council Snippets

From the meeting of 16th November 2017

- A reminder that Jules Riding is here on Sunday 3rd December: 9.30am and 5.30pm - bring along a friend to hear Jules' testimony and music.
- **Christmas Services 2017**
 - Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December
 - 9.30am service and 9.30pm Classic Christmas
 - Christmas Day, Monday 25th December
 - 9.30am short service
- Study Leave - Rev. Lorne Campbell
Lorne will be taking study leave during February and March 2018. This has been approved by Council and by Northern Presbytery. Lorne is currently seeking funding from the 'Best Travel Fund' run through PCANZ.
- Girls' Brigade and ICONZ - all agreed that this was a very enjoyable and worthwhile service taken by the girls and boys. Girls' Brigade celebrates 75 years at St Andrews next year. It is intended to hold a special service mid-way through the year to celebrate this.

- Ministry Settlement Board: A team is currently working on the church profile. Their next meeting is on Monday 27th November.
- Combined Vision Team: The group are meeting and working on a vision. They are applying the principle of Lectio Divina where they meditate on a portion of Scripture to hear what the Lord is saying to them.

Christmas Giving

The Church Council agreed that all offerings from Christmas Eve and Christmas Day be given to the local Emergency Housing Trust.

We will start to take donations of 'nice' food items for giving away in food parcels for Christmas (things you would like on your own Christmas table). Please drop off your item or voucher at the Church office. If you wish to give cash or bank direct to the bank account this is also an option. Any funds will be converted into supermarket vouchers.

