

CASHMERE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“The Stone Church on the Hill”

Mission Statement

To worship God, follow Christ,
transforming the world in the
power of the Spirit

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Sunday 29th October 2023

Theme: Moderator Reflections
Preacher: Hamish Galloway

EMPOWERING GENERATIONS

A very warm welcome to you all, whether this is your first time or thousandth time in church. You are welcome whatever your age, gender, marital status, disability, poverty or wealth, race or sexuality. You are welcome whether you have a deep and mature faith in Christ; are uncertain and still seeking; or have no faith. If you are new to church, please do not hesitate to ask one of those on duty if you have any questions.

Children are welcome to sit anywhere in the church, but if they wish to be more active then there are a selection of toys and books at the very back.

There will be **Sunday School and children's activities** today, led by Janice, for those that wish to participate.

A request to please remember to wear your **Name Badges**. If you do not have one, please leave a note for Gail and she will print one for you.

You are invited to stay for morning tea after the service.

Order of Worship

*Congregational responses are in bold italics
Please stand as the Bible is processed in.*

Lighting the Fellowship Candle (Elisabeth Cooch)

Welcome to Worship

Call to worship (based on Psalm 133)

In a world that is increasing polarised by strong opinions

How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

In a world where it is easy to fire up on social media

How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

In a world where race and culture easily divide us

How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

Though the world around too often encourages hate,
let us come together in love.

How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

In humility, gentleness, patience, love, and unity,

Let us worship the God who has called us together.

Opening Hymn 68: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

Prayer of Praise and Confession

The Lord's Prayer sung (WOV 676)

Notices

Passing the Peace: *We offer each other the 'right hand of fellowship' as a sign that all are welcome and accepted by God.*

Children's time

Songs:

We are many, we are one

1. We are many, we are one,
and the work of Christ is done
when we learn to live in true community,
as the stars that fill the night,
as a flock of birds in flight,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the branches of a tree,
as the waves upon the sea,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

2. All division is made whole
when we honour every soul,
find the life of God in every you and me,
 as the fingers of a hand,
 as the grains that form the sand,
 as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
 as the threads upon a loom,
 as a field of flowers in bloom,
 as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

3. We will join creation's song,
make a world where all belong,
build as one in peace and loving harmony,
 as the voices of a choir,
 as the flames within a fire,
 as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
 as the snowflakes in the snow,
 as the colours of a bow,
 as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

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Te aroha

Te aroha (love)
Te whakapono (faith)
Me te rangimarie (peace)
Tatou tatou e (for us all)

Readings (*Reader: Robyn McKee*)

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 (p.177 OT)

Ephesians 4: 1-6, 11-16 (p.241 NT)

Sermon: Moderator Reflections

Song: We are one in the Spirit

1. We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored.
*And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love.*

2. We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread
the news that God is in our land.

3. We will work with each other,
We will work side by side,
We will work with each other,
We will work side by side,
And we'll guard each man's dignity
and save each man's pride.

4. All praise to the Father,
From whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus,
His only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us one.

*And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love.*

Peter Scholtes, 1966
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Offering: *Our freewill offering to support the mission and Church of Jesus Christ will be received. As God gives to us, so let us give to God and to all those who wait for the love of God in so many ways. Donations for the Food Bank are placed in a supermarket trolley.*

Dedication of the offering (*please stand*)

Prayer of Intercession

Hymn 389: Your Hand O God has Guided

Benediction

Amen, amen, amen (sung)

*Please remain standing as the Bible is processed out.
Thank you for sharing in worship this morning. Please come through to the
Rata Lounge for morning tea.*



Supporting our Communities

- ***Sydenham Community Pre-school:*** Last year we supplied activity packs for the children who attend this pre-school, which will be closed for 5 weeks over Christmas. The packs were gratefully received by the parents, with several taking the trouble to email the church to thank us.

We would like to repeat the gesture this year, so are asking for monetary donations to enable Janice to purchase suitable items. If you are able to donate, please place in an appropriately marked envelope, or make a direct credit to our bank account (020800-0181604-01) marking it "pre-school".

- ***Presbyterian Support*** runs many programmes, one of which is the Harakeke Club, a day programme for people who have early onset dementia. They have asked for our support by way of providing a small treat for each of the 65 people who attend. The suggestion is a small amount of chocolate, so we thought if we can get some donations of boxes of Roses chocolates, then those can be divided up into appropriate amounts for each recipient.

If you can donate a box, please leave them at the office before 13th November.

Preparing for Advent: All are invited to come to a series of four evenings reflecting on Advent Bible readings using the process of "**Lectio Divina**" (which some of you may be familiar with, but no prior knowledge is expected). Meet at Anne Shave's home at 7:30pm on the following dates:

- Thursday 23rd November
- Thursday 30th November
- *Tuesday* 5th December
- Thursday 14th December

If you are unable to attend all four evenings, you are welcome to just come when you can. Contact Anne on shavea6@gmail.com for further information.

Parish Picnic in Port Levy Today!

We are looking forward seeing you in Port Levy and hope to celebrate the registration of the covenant with you as follows:

- 12:30-1:00pm: Arrival on site (hairpin bend at 737 Purau Port Levy Road, where the pine trees are, at the little grey cottage)
- 1:00pm Gathering, afterwards community picnic (potluck)
- 2:30pm Start of walk through covenant (duration about 60-90 mins, no formed track, steep site), if you like to attend, please bring sturdy boots. Long trousers recommended (Ongaonga). Walking group will return around 4pm to site.

We encourage you to car-pool if you are able.

Spring Seed Fundraiser

Cut off date for orders is this Tuesday!

There are a variety of seeds available to order, both flowers and vegetables, and we will make 40% profit on all sales, so this has good potential. We have several members who have purchased these previously and they have been very happy with the results. Orders need to be in by 31st October, with delivery on or after 13 November.

Order forms can be picked up today (green paper) and can be dropped off or emailed to the Church office (cashmere.church@xtra.co.nz)

We also encourage you to share with family and friends – take as many copies as you require from the church foyer.

Te Waiora House Annual Thanksgiving Service

Sunday 5th November, 2.30pm, in the Anglican Church, 224 Hororata Road, Hororata, followed by afternoon tea at Te Waiora House, 236 Hororata Road. All are welcome! Please join us in celebrating all that God continues to do through the ministry of Te Waiora House, a place of rest, restoration and blessing to so many people. During afternoon tea you will have the opportunity to explore the house and grounds and find out more about Te Waiora House. www.tewaiorahouse.org.nz

Christian World Service launches Gaza Palestine Emergency Appeal

Christian World Service has launched an emergency appeal (cws.org.nz/what-we-do/emergencies/gaza-palestine-emergency-appeal/) to assist people who have been affected by the current conflict in the Middle East, particularly Gaza.

Thousands of people have been killed, injured and displaced. Nearly two hundred people are being held as hostages. Hospitals including the Al Ahli Arab Hospital, schools and homes have been damaged or destroyed. The need for a ceasefire and humanitarian relief is overwhelming. Funds raised will meet some of the urgent needs of people through CWS's long term partner the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR). In Gaza, DSPR is providing shelter, food and support to people who have fled the north and who have lost homes. Some churches are hosting Muslim and Christian families from the community. Together they have secured some food supplies, but more will be needed in the months ahead.

CWS is supporting the call for an immediate ceasefire and access for humanitarian relief.

Donations can be made through CWS:

- Online and by direct deposit – go to <https://cws.org.nz/donate-to-the-gaza-palestine-appeal/> for details
- By Phone with a credit card: 0800 74 73 72
- By Post to: CWS, PO Box 22652, Christchurch 8140

The Alpine Presbytery Newsletter is produced weekly, and a copy is on the notice board in the foyer. Speak to Gail if you would like to subscribe to receive it directly.

PAINTING

MOVEMENTS

DRAWING

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THE FIRE GATHERING AROUND THE FIRE EXHIBITION 2023

by *Creative Nest, Dance & Arts Therapy NZ, Sharon's Art Studio*





Free entry, Koha appreciated

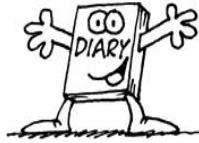
All donations and raffle ticket monies will be given to KidsCan

Sat 04 - Sun 05 Nov
10.00AM - 3.00PM

OFFICIAL KidsCan FUNDRAISER

THE VILLAGE
460 PAPANUI RD (CNR FRANK ST)



Monday 30 October 11.00am Prayer Group at the Troughton's home
 Tuesday 31 October 9.00am Craft Group in Kowhai Lounge
 11.00am Forum
 Thursday 2 November 10.00am Pre-School Music
 Sunday 5 November 10.00am Morning Worship

Church Rosters	This week: 29th October	Next week: 5th November
Door Duty	Ian Gray, Cecile Pierce, Ann Jennings	Kathleen Anderson, Cath Dale, Jill McAra
Morning Tea & Coffee	Margaret Ford, Lynd Cordner	Peter & Tric Nelson
Bible Reading	Robin McKee	Judy Newbury
Candle Lighting	Elisabeth Cooch	Kathleen Anderson
Food Trolley	Shona Lyford	
Money Counting	David Troughton (<i>Tuesday</i>)	Rouie Swan

