

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 7th May 2023

Theme: Living Stones

Preacher: Hamish Galloway



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, and also in the Family Room (door between the organ & piano).

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

Whilst Masks are not *required*, we ask you to please respect the decisions of others with regard to whether or not they wear one.

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 *Robin McKee*

Welcome to Worship

Call to Worship based on Micah 6

God has told you, O Mortal, what is good.

***What does the Lord require of us but to do justice,
and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?***

It is good to be together, God,

together listening for your voice, united by your Spirit.

In this time of worship

tell us about your kingdom of kindness so that we can seek it.

Show us your justice.

We want to walk with you, humbly, closely, daily.

Opening Hymn 158: How Sweet the Name of Jesus

Prayer of Praise and thanksgiving

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.*

All Age Time Children come to the front

Song: The Wise Man Built His House Upon the Rock

The wise man built his house upon the rock
The wise man built his house upon the rock
The wise man built his house upon the rock
And the rains came tumbling down

The rains came down and the floods came up
The rains came down and the floods came up
The rains came down and the floods came up
And the house on the rock stood firm

The foolish man built his house upon the sand
The foolish man built his house upon the sand
The foolish man built his house upon the sand
And the rains came tumbling down

The rains came down and the floods came up
The rains came down and the floods came up
The rains came down and the floods came up
And the house on the sand went crash

Readings (*Reader: Clare Shave*)

Psalm 31: 1-5

1 Peter 2: 2-10

Sermon: Living Stones

Hymn: For I am building a people of Power

For I'm Building A People Of Power
And I'm Making A People Of Praise
That Will Move Through This Land By My Spirit
And Will Glorify My Precious Name
Build Your Church, Lord
Make Us Strong, Lord
Join Our Hearts, Lord, Through Your Son
Make Us One, Lord
In Your Body
In The Kingdom Of Your Son

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 and Prayer for Others (*please stand*)

In between each stanza of the prayer we will sing:

Living stones, living stones
We are holy, living stones
Built upon the firm foundation
That is Jesus
And as we cling to that Rock
Who became a Stumbling Block
We remember we are living stones

(From Living Stones by Michael Card)

Hymn 385: The Church's One Foundation

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
hall for morning tea.*



Hamish's Schedule

Next week Hamish will be in Auckland doing a special character review for St Kentigern College and then will preach at Crossways church here in Christchurch next Sunday. The following week he will be down south for the Southern Ministry conference in Dunedin, the Southern Presbytery Gathering in Balclutha and then he will be preaching at Arrowsmith and Queenstown on Sunday 21st. On Kings Birthday weekend Hamish will be in Gisborne meeting with church people there and in Wairoa and leading worship at a combined service on the Sunday.

World Vision and Work with Children

Family Service will be held next Sunday. On Family Service Sundays we take up a "white bowl" collection to support both our own work with children and youth and the work of World Vision - in particular our sponsored child, Vory Vang in Cambodia. We are grateful for any donation that you are able to give through this collection.

Cashmere Connection

The next edition will be printed at the end of this month. Please have any items for inclusion to the office by Friday 19th May.

Saturday 24th June: Cashmere Presbyterian Quiet Day, led by Anne Shave. Advance notice of this quiet day to be held at Te Waiora House, Hororata - all welcome. It will include some time spent together and some time to draw apart, rest, and enjoy the tranquillity of the environment. Please do consider coming, and mark your diaries now. More details will be provided soon.

Envelope Offerings

For those who give by way of envelope, the new envelopes for the next six months are available for you to collect at the back of the church today.

An invitation for from St Martins Presbyterian Women's Group

On Monday we have an interesting speaker coming to our church. It is short notice because she was available but those who may be able to join us to hear her and share "a cup of tea" afterwards will be very welcome.

Jane Simpson has written a liturgy that is now in use in Anglican churches: "The Farewelling of a Home". This can be applied to other situations than a house, for example for leaving a church or church building, a community, or past grief after having to leave a home unexpectedly as many people have after earthquakes or floods. They are situations that many of us have already faced or will in future. There is information about the liturgy and Jane online.

The meeting is on Monday 8th of May at 1.30pm in the St Martin's Presbyterian church lounge. Entry is from the shared foyer to the church.

If you have a query please phone Margaret 366 8936.

Jane will bring copies of the liturgy in case people like to buy a copy. Anyone who does will need to have cash.

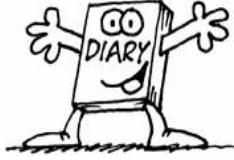
Rosters for the period 4th June to 17th September will be prepared soon. Please let me know whether you are happy to continue on the rosters, and any dates you are not available.

New helpers would be welcome! If you are not already but would be willing to go on to one or more of the rosters, please let me know. Details of the duties are below, to give you an idea of what you would be signing up for!

Contact Gail in the church office – ph 332 7129, email cashmere.church@xtra.co.nz

Duty	Brief overview of tasks involved
Door Duty	Arrive by 9.30am; ensure heaters, lights, sound system etc are on; greet people at the doors and hand out the Bulletins; take up the offerings; tidy up and close up at the end of the service
Morning Tea	Set up before the service starts; be ready to serve the tea/coffee etc. straight after the service; tidy up and put away at the end.
Bible Reading	Read the allocated Bible passages during the service
Candle Lighting	Read out the prayer during the lighting of the fellowship candle
Food Trolley	Collect the food offerings on the Sunday, or early in the week, and take them to the City Mission
Money Counting	Monday mornings, around 10am, sit with Gail whilst she counts the Offerings from Sunday.

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.



Tuesday 9 May 9.00am Craft Group in Kowhai Lounge
 11.00am Forum
 Thursday 11 May 10.00am Pre-School Music
 Sunday 14 May 10.00am Family Service

Church Rosters	This week: 7th May	Next week: 14th May
Door Duty	Cath Dale, Tony Waters	David & Jane Kim, Karen Glithero
Morning Tea & Coffee	Peter & Tric Nelson	Murray & Patricia Heath
Bible Reading	Clare Shave	Jill Fenton
Candle Lighting	Robin McKee	Shirley Wilson
Food Trolley	Ian Shaw	Helen Matthews
Money Counting (Monday)	David Troughton	Bruce McAlister

Leading Worship over the next few weeks:

14 May	Anne Shave
21 May	David Coster
28 May	Anne Shave
4 Jun	David Coster

Generous Giving
 Cashmere Presbyterian depends on the generous giving of members and friends. If you would like to make a donation or support our work through planned giving, please contact the Parish Office. Our Bank Account for donations is:
 BNZ 020800-0181604-01