

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 30th October 2022
Pentecost 21
as well as celebrating
All Saints – 1st November

Preacher: David Coster

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.

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

Masks are no longer required, but we ask you to please respect the decisions of others with regard to whether or not they wear one.

Order of Worship

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

Fellowship Candle (*Kathleen Anderson*)

Thought for the Week

Call to worship

O God, we come into this sacred space ready to worship you.

Open our hearts and minds to receive you.

We gather as the community of Christ ready for your Holy Spirit's presence moving amongst us.

Open our hearts and minds to receive you.

We come as people open to challenge, open to grace and ready for your Holy Word.

Open our hearts and minds to receive you.

We sing: O Lord you are my God

Tune TiS 89

1. O Lord, you are my God and King,
and I will always bless your name,
I will extol you every day,
and evermore your praise proclaim.
2. Our God is greatly to be praised,
his greatness is beyond our thought,
from age to age all human tongues
shall tell the wonders he has wrought.
3. Upon your glorious majesty
and wondrous works my mind shall dwell;
your deeds shall fill the world with awe,
and of your greatness I will tell.
4. Your matchless goodness and your grace
your people shall commemorate,
and all your truth and righteousness
their joyful song shall celebrate.
5. Our God is good in all his ways,
his creatures know his constant care;
to all his works his love extends,
we all his tender mercies share.

6. Your works shall give you thanks, O Lord,
your saints your mighty acts shall show,
till peoples everywhere on earth
your kingdom, power and glory know.

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Greeting

May the grace and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you, with all whom you love, and all whom you pray for here this day.

And may the grace and peace of our Lord be with you also.

Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Come, Holy Spirit, and be known among us.

Come in your kindness and wisdom to challenge us and renew our faith in Jesus as our Lord.

Help us to look around us and see things through your truth, through prisms of gentleness, and with inspirations of strength.

We welcome you, Spirit of Christ. May we hear you calling our names and enfolding us in your community!

O Christ, the One who sees those who stand apart and who long to know you and share friendship with your disciples but fear being rejected, we acknowledge that we are not always aware of the needs of others and sometimes are far less accepting and loving than you want us to be.

Forgive us when we lack your mercy, Jesus Christ.

Forgive us when we exclude the vulnerable, we pray.

Silent reflection.

We hear the words of Jesus from the Sermon on the Plain:

Do not judge others, and God will not judge you; do not condemn others, and God will not condemn you; forgive others and God will forgive you.

Words of Assurance

We are built on the firm foundation of God's loving community.

We will weather the storms of life with grace, assured of God's presence always with us, sustaining us, and enabling us to live the way of Jesus. Thanks be to God. Amen

Notices

We pass the peace of Christ to each other.

Recognition of All Saints Day through the lighting of a candle in memory of those whom we have loved and lost.

We sing: Give thanks for life (Tune CH4 736)

1. Give thanks for life, the measure of our days,
mortal, we pass through beauty that decays,
yet sing to God our hope, our love, our praise
Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Give thanks for those who made their life a light
caught from the Christ-flame, bursting through the night,
who touched the truth, who burned for what is right,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. And for our own, our living and our dead,
thanks for the love by which our life is fed,
a love not changed by time or death or dread,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
4. Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain
lying in darkness does its life retain,
in resurrection to grow green again.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Introduction to the Reading (*Reader: Rosemary Troughton*)

I Timothy 6: 11-16 (p.264 NT): Timothy is encouraged to hold on to the faith in face of opposition. Paul stresses to Timothy that the main quality in witnessing to the love of the Lord is endurance.

Prayer before the Reflections

Sermon: Living Saints telling their stories!

*Ian Gray,
Robin McKee
Karen Glithero*

We sing: Great God your Spirit *Tune TiS 416*

1. Great God, your Spirit, like the wind -
unseen but shaking things we see -
will never leave us undisturbed,
fulfil our dreams, or set us free,
until we turn from faithless fear
and prove the promise of your grace,
in justice, peace and daily bread,
with joy for all the human race.

2. Lord, shake us with the force of love,
to rouse us from our dreadful sleep;
remove our hearts of stone, and give
new hearts of flesh, to break and weep
for all your children in distress
and dying for the wealth we keep.
Help us prevent, while we have time,
the blighted harvest greed must reap.

3. And then in your compassion, give
your Spirit like the gentle rain,
creating fertile ground from which
your peace and justice spring like grain;
until your love is satisfied,
with all creation freed from pain,
and all your children live to praise
your will fulfilled, your presence plain.

Alan Gaunt
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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.

Offertory Prayer

We know that no gift is too large or too small for you, O God. Receive and bless these gifts we place before you through our Lord Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, Our Father...(sung 676)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

We sing 384: For all the Saints

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Sung blessing Let there be peace on earth

1. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we;
let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

2. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,
with every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me

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*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.*



Combined Service – NEXT SUNDAY (6th November)

A reminder that there will be **no service at Cashmere** next week.

Instead, we join with our neighbours from St Martin's Presbyterian, Hoon Hay Presbyterian, and Halswell Union Church to worship together at **St Andrew's at Rangi Ruru**. The service will commence at 10am, and we will have Morning Tea afterwards.

Fundraising concert: Sunday 27th November, 4.30pm

This concert, organised by Ira, is a fundraiser for a school/education project in Zimbabwe for a charity that she is involved with.

The concert is planned to take around 1 to 1.5 hours with a break in the middle (coffee and cakes at that stage) and a get together for those who would like to linger and enjoy some snacks afterwards. The full koha for entry will be donated to the Zimbabwe project.

More details coming soon, but put this in your diary now!

Sydenham Community Pre-school

This Community pre-school have been coming to our Thursday pre-school music sessions throughout the year, bringing a small group of children each week. Many of their children are from less privileged backgrounds and we are keen to support them where we can (for example, the children's beanies we knitted for them in the winter).

The Pre-School does not operate in school holidays, so will be closed down for 5 weeks over Christmas. It would be great to supply them with activity packs for the children to take home to use over that period, so we are asking for donations to allow for us to make up the packs. Speak to Janice, Joyce or Kathleen about what is needed, or, if you wish to make a monetary donation so that we can purchase items,

please place in an appropriately marked envelope, or make a direct credit to our bank account (020800-0181604-01) marking it “pre-school”

Offerings Envelopes

For those using envelopes for their offerings, the set for the next six months is now ready, and can be picked up today from the back of the church.

Book launch

Anne Shave's book "*Faith and Hope in Midlife: Reflecting on Churchgoers' Experiences*" has recently been published. Congregation members are warmly invited to come to the book launch, which is to be held on **Thursday 3rd November at 7pm** in the Rata Lounge. There will be a couple of short presentations about the book, followed by supper. Books will be available for purchase at \$30 each.



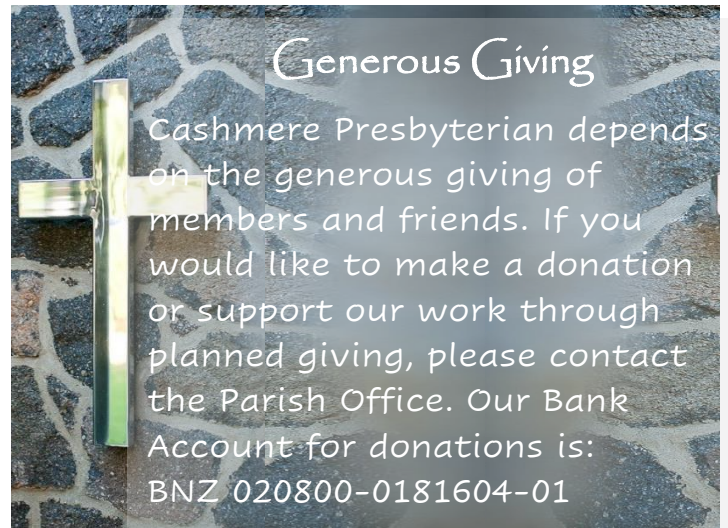
Tuesday 1 st November	9.00am	Craft Group in Kowhai Lounge
	11.00am	Forum in Rata Lounge
Thursday 3 rd November	10.00am	Pre-School Music
	7.00pm	Anne’s Book Launch
Sunday 6 th November	10.00am	Worship at St Andrew’s Rangī Ruru

Church Rosters	This week: 30th October	Next week: 6th November
Door Duty	Warren Campbell, Margaret Ford, Elisabeth Cooch	No service at Cashmere
Morning Tea & Coffee	Judith & Tony Waters	
Bible Reading	Rosemary Troughton	
Candle Lighting	Kathleen Anderson	
Food Trolley	David Troughton	
Money Counting (Monday)	David Troughton	

	Sunday 13th November
Door Duty	Kathleen Anderson, Cath Dale, Tony Waters
Morning Tea & Coffee	Cecile pierce, Margaret Ford
Bible Reading	Helen Wells
Candle Lighting	Robin McKee
Food Trolley	Annette McAdam
Money Counting (Monday)	Annette McAdam

**Leading Worship over
the next few weeks:**

6 November	Combined service at St Andrew's Rangī Ruru
13 November	David Coster, with Murray Overton from CWS
20 November	David Coster
27 November	Anne Shave



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

The Presbyterian Parishes of
St Martins, Cashmere, Hoon Hay
and St Luke's Union Halswell invite
you to join us for:

A Combined Celebration Service

Sunday 6 November

10.00am

**Gathering at
St Andrews Rangī Ruru
16 Merivale Lane, Merivale**