



Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 05 August 2018

**"Being the Gospel to all
People"**

A very warm welcome is extended
to all visitors to St Johns

Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy.

This week's theme: 'Building Up the Body'

Focus Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-16

Other Readings: 2 Samuel 11:26 – 12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; John 6:24-35



Unity and Maturity in the Body of Christ

⁴ As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. ⁸ This is why it says: "When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people." ... ¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. ¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Next Sunday: 12 August 2018

Next week's theme: 'Anger to Love'

Focus Scripture: Ephesians 4: 25-5:2

Other Readings: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; John 6:35, 41-51

Prayer points for: George Morrison, Brenda Ryan and Mary Hall for good health. The Nominating Team and process of discerning members for the Leadership Team.

Congregational Meeting Notice

We will hold a congregational meeting immediately after worship this **Sunday 5 August**. Our agenda is to elect the Nomination Team who will be responsible for gathering names to present to the congregation at the AGM for election to the Leadership Team.

The following five people have accepted nomination for the Nomination Team: Mr Christo John (2nd year); Mrs Joan Williamson; Dr Xiaonong Li; Mrs Betty Curd; and Ms Michelle Cao.



Please join us at our monthly shared lunch in the hall after today's service.

Special Notice

Alan Wang and Xiaonong Li invite everyone to share in Brother Wang's (Alan's father) ashes interment in our memorial garden, this Sunday around 12:30 pm after our bring and share lunch.

Real Life with John Cowan 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB John Cowan's guest this Sunday night 5 August is Jo Cribb.

As one of the youngest Chief Executives ever appointed in the New Zealand Public Service, Jo Cribb invested her time in the Ministry for Women spearheading issues for women. Formerly the Deputy Children's Commissioner, author of the Government's Green Paper on Vulnerable Children, director of IHC and two school boards of trustees, she as a doctorate in public policy and works internationally as a director of Volunteer Service Abroad.

Help make our streets more inclusive.

Researchers at the Medical and Health Sciences of The University of Auckland are looking for people who live in the Howick/Highland Park area and identify as elderly and/or having a disability, to participate in a University of Auckland study about how people experience journeys on Auckland streets.

What's involved? An interview which could include you taking us on a short journey of your choosing.

Koha of \$30 petrol or food voucher will be given to all participants.

Interested? Contact Roshini Peiris-John 09 923 6218 r.peiris-john@auckland.ac.nz

Lead Reseacher: Shanthi Ameratunga, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of Auckland
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COFFEE and CHAT

Come and join us in our new monthly drop-in venture – COFFEE and CHAT. Spend time with other members of our church family – and, yes, there's coffee and something to eat too.

Our first get together is on **Tuesday 14 August** in the church foyer from 10am -11.20am. If you need a ride please phone Alison in the office (534 2305).

A gold coin donation would be appreciated.



MACLEANS COLLEGE BOYS 1ST XI FUNDRAISER – Judy and Dick McDonalds grandson Zach is a Year 10 student at Macleans College and recently made the 1st XI football team – a great achievement for one so young. Zach is fundraising to go to a tournament in the next holidays.

FOOD WRAP FUNDRAISER – Please support the boys

BAKING PAPER	300 X 100 - \$30.00
TIN FOIL	440 X 90 - \$27.00
TIN FOIL	300 X 150 - \$27.00
FOODWRAP	330 X 300 - \$25.00
FOOD WRAP	330x 600 - \$35.00

If you would like to purchase any of the above Zach would be very grateful. Please contact Judy 2748534

Sunday Services: English / Mandarin & Children's Ministry 9:30a.m.
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Prayer Chain	Judy McDonald	274 8534
Justice of Peace		

Ministry Groups:

Bucklands Beach Rest Home: 3rd Thursday's of the month, 11:00am

Children's Church (Preschool, Primary & Intermediate): Sundays, 9:30am

Home Groups: No home group at this time please contact Rev Lorraine Francis

Men's Group: Wednesday nights 7:30pm in the Worship Room; contact Alan Vickers ph: 533 3790

Mainly Music: Wednesdays, 10:00am (Term Time)

Music Ministry: Thursdays, 7.30pm; Wednesdays 7:30pm

Young Adults / Youth on Sundays: Contact Joshua 021 0473565

	This Week's Helpers (5 August)	Next Week's Helpers (12 August)
Preacher	Rev Lorraine Francis	Rev Lorraine Francis
Keyboard	Rahil John	Joshua Wong
Projector	Jed Stanton	Alison Stanton
Sound Desk	Bob Corbett	Alan Vickers
Reader	David Hall	Michelle Cao
Intercessor	Ian Dittmer	Joan Rutherford
HC set up	Alan Vickers	N/A
HC Serving team	Alan Vickers, Shania Qiu, Dave Dickey Jnr, Grace Corbett and Joan Rutherford	N/A
Prayer ministry	Joan Rutherford	Sheila Simmons
Welcome Desk	Betty Curd	<i>Could this be you?</i>
Ushers	Derek Speer	Nick and Olga Ferreira
Counters	Derek Speer, Christo John	Nick Ferreira, Nessie Crawford
Morning Tea	Christine Lewis, Julie Dickey	Betty Curd, Alison Stanton
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns