



Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 16 September 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: 'The Concerns of God'

Focus Scripture: Mark 8:27-38

Other Readings: James 3:1-12; Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19; Mark 8:27-38



²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, "Who do people say I am?" ²⁸ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰ Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns." ³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

Next Sunday: 23 September 2018

Next week's theme: 'Love, Justice, Peace'

Focus Scripture: Luke 4:14-30

Other Readings:

Prayer points for: George Morrison, Brenda Ryan and Mary Hall for good health. For two people, one to be our Presbyterian representative and another to be our second Anglican representative. For Charmaine and her mother, for Charmaine as she travels to England to care for her mother who needs constant care from heart problems. Charmaine hopes it will only be till December, but if her mother does not improve by then, Charmaine will move herself to the UK for as long as her mother needs her.

Thank you to Peter Kipfer for leading our worship on Sunday, which included sharing about the Chinese Churches Support Mission.

Congratulations to Joshua and Erika Wong on their marriage on Saturday 8 September.

Thank you to the John's family for donating a new computer keyboard for the office. While Alison doesn't need to see the letters on the keys, the rest of us do!

Congratulations to Savesh John for his 21st Birthday on Tuesday 11 September.

Real Life with John Cowan 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB John Cowan's guest this Sunday night 16 September will be Jazz Thornton. Jazz is using her difficult past as ammunition for a thriving future. With friend Genevieve Mora, Jazz founded the website *Voices of Hope* in 2016 as a place to provide support and hope to teens struggling with mental illness or losing hope.

Trinity Puppeteers present: 'The Fishermen'
23 September at 7.30pm, Trinity Methodist Church
474 Pakuranga Rd, Pakuranga

The Fishermen is an original dramatic presentation by the Trinity Puppeteers. It uses half height full bodied puppets to explore the story of Peter, and his fellow fishermen Andrew, John and James, as Jesus enters their lives, and the changes that occur. The dialogue is aimed at an adult audience, although older children would still find it enjoyable. Light refreshment will be served at the conclusion (approx. 8.30pm).



Invitation to a High Tea to celebrate 125 Years of Women having the right to vote, from Bridgebuilders Trust. Guest speaker is Jane Pritchard QSM. Tickets are \$25 and include a glass of bubbly on arrival. Saturday 29 September 2018 at 12:30 to 4:30 pm at St Luke Community Centre, 130 Remuera Rd, Remuera. Food Box: Please bring non-perishable foods to donate for Refugee families Bridgebuilder support. RSVP 24 Sept. See Lorraine.

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

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If you do not have a Thanksgiving envelope there will be some available on the table in the foyer. Please write your giving number on the front of the envelope.

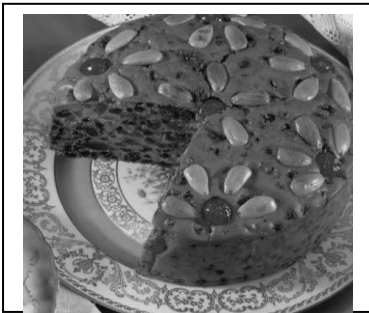
If you offer your thanksgiving via direct credit please ensure you reference 'thanksgiving' when making the payment.



Community Food Stand

These little roadside structures are making a difference in the fight against food waste by creating local spaces for people to pass on food they don't need. These stands provide an avenue by which people can share excess produce from their gardens.

Would you like to set one up for your community? For all the information and advice on how to set one up please go to lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz



Christmas Cakes @ \$59

In support of the Friends of the Anglican Trust for Women and Children. Order Forms for a Ruth Pretty Christmas Cake are available from on the notice board in the foyer.

Spring Music at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Auckland

The Isomura Brothers - Bishop Selwyn Chapel, Saturday 29 September, 4.30 pm

From the mysterious shadows in Takemitsu's Japanese garden to the fire and virtuosity of Sarasate's gypsy camp: this programme travels the world. The Mozart fizzles with fun, while the Saint-Saëns finds the composer at his most dramatic. Programme includes Mozart, Takemitsu, Sarasate, and Saint-Saëns. \$40 / \$25 (concs) plus fees. Tickets on sale now through iTicket. Door sales available.



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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 (16 Sept)	Next Week's Helpers (23 Sept)
Preacher	Rev Lorraine Francis	David Hall
Keyboard	Aimie Ma	Rahil John
Projector	Alison Stanton	Marsden Cheong
Sound Desk	Alan Vickers	Jamie Corbett
Reader	Trevor Haigh	Judy McDonald
Intercessor	Mavis Haigh	Dick McDonald
HC set up	Lorraine Francis	N/A
HC Serving team	Derek Speer, Bob Corbett, Alan Vickers, Ian Dittmer, Bob Williamson	N/A
Prayer ministry	Loas Toug	Alan Vickers
Welcome Desk	Loas Toug	Joan Rutherford
Ushers	Trevor and Mavis Haigh	Dick and Judy McDonald
Counters	Trevor Haigh, Grace Li	Dick McDonald, Li Ying Zhang
Morning Tea	Uraivan Jolly, Nessie Crawford	Sue Chang, Alan Wang
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns