

# Weekly Newsletter Sunday 22 July 2018

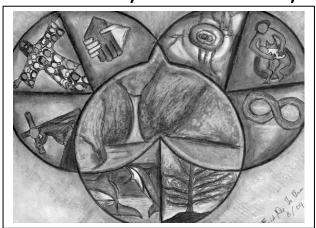
"Being the Gospel to all People"

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: 'Household of God' Focus Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

Other Readings: 2 Samuel 7:1-14; Psalm 89:20-37; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56



Ephesians 2:11-22; Jew and Gentile Reconciled Through Christ

<sup>11</sup> Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (which is done in the body by human hands) - 12 remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, <sup>15</sup> by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, 16 and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. <sup>17</sup> He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. <sup>19</sup> Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. <sup>21</sup> In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Next Sunday: 29 July 2018

Next week's theme: 'Into the Land of Faith'

Focus Scripture: John 6:1-21

Other Readings: 2 Samuel 11:1-15; Psalm 14; Ephesians 3:14-21

**Prayer points for**: George Morrison, Brenda Ryan and Mary Hall for good health; someone to pick up the ministry of looking after our IT system; someone to be our Financial Coordinator for our St Johns Finance Team.

## Opportunities to be of service at St Johns

Several opportunities have opened up for to be of service at our Sunday Services

#### **Church Welcomer**

We need your smile and a friendly welcome to be extended to all coming to worship on the second Sunday of each month. If you or you think someone else might help out in this ministry please talk to Lorraine – or Loas Toung or Joan Rutherford.

## **Morning Tea**

There are spaces on the first and fourth Sunday of the month for a regular helper to be on our Morning Tea team.

Please contact Alison at the office 534 2305 if you are available and willing to serve on one of these teams.

#### **Communion Servers**

There are some spaces on our regular communion teams. Please talk to Lorraine or Alison if you are interested. *Thank you* 

## 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 s.ameratunga@auckland.ac.nz

**Real Life with John Cowan** 7.30pm Sunday nights on Newstalk ZB John Cowan's guest this Sunday night 22 July is founder of Rocket Lab, Peter Beck. Peter Beck founded Rocket Lab in 2007 and serves as its Chief Executive Officer. Peter, who has a decade and a half of

propulsion research and market development in the international space community, has established Rocket Lab both in New Zealand and the United States as a premier institute for innovative space systems and is both the head visionary and technical adviser for the Electron program.



Men's Breakfast @ St Johns Saturday 21 July 8am-9am

Gold coin donation

Invitation to a service to mark the 70th anniversary of the World Council of Churches.

On Sunday 22 July at 7pm at the Church of Holy Sepulchre on Khyber Pass, Auckland there will be a service to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the World Council of Churches in a multicultural worship service of thanksgiving. A warm invitation is extended to all to join this ecumenical service.

#### Call for names of the Nomination Team

The year has cycled around and we are into the season of the approach of our Annual General Meeting (AGM 9 September).

The first step towards it is to establish the Nominating Team who are tasked with gathering a list of people to serve on the Leadership Team. We will need four people because we have the expected rotation loss of members, and two people have left. Lily Han returned to China and Jessie Liu is now at university in Australia. Christo John and Lorraine Francis are the remaining team. There is a letter on the foyer table with more details about this ministry. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and who can serve and provide names of potential members for the Nomination Team to Lorraine by 5 pm 22 July.

# **Congregational Meeting Notice**

We will hold a congregational meeting immediately after worship on **Sunday 5 August** to elect the Nomination Team.

## Mental Health and the Church, Youth and children – one conference

9am – 5pm., Thursday 2 August, Gracegate Church, 42 Parkway Drive, Sunnynook, Auckland. Keynote Speakers Dr Andrew Darby (Consultant Psychiatrist) Anxiety aid or ailment? Kathryn Berkett (Neuroscience Consultant) – Caring for Yourself, so you can Care for Others and Tricia Hendry (Educator, Presenter and published Author) – Suicide and how the church can help. Register at www.leadershipworx.org.nz

Questions? Contact karyn.woodhouse@leadershipworx.org.nz 021 437 803

Sunday Services: English / Mandarin & Children's Ministry 9:30a.m.			
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Session Clerk	Alan Vickers	533 3790	
People's Warden	Julie Dickey	535 5814	
Minister's	Felicity Vincer	535 5883	
Pastoral Care	Judy McDonald	274 8534	
Prayer Chain	Judy McDonald	274 8534	
Justice of Peace			

### **Ministry Groups:**

**Bucklands Beach Rest Home:** 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 (22 July)	Next Week's Helpers (29 July)
Preacher	Rev Lorraine Francis	Rev Lorraine Francis
Keyboard	Rahil John	Joshua Wong
Projector	Marsden Cheong	Joshua Wong
Sound Desk	Alan Vickers	Bob Corbett
Reader	Michelle Cao	lan Dittmer
Intercessor	Dick McDonald	Bob Williamson
HC set up	N/A	Joan Jones
HC Serving	N/A	Joan Jones; David Hall; John
team		Copping; Christo John; John Pybus
Prayer ministry	Alan Vickers	Joan Jones
Welcome Desk	Joan Rutherford	Joan Rutherford
Ushers	Dick and Judy McDonald	Nick and Olga Ferreira
Counters	Dick McDonald, Li Ying Zhang	Christo John, Nick Ferreira
Morning Tea	Sue Chang plus one	Sue Chang plus one
Flowers	St Johns	St Johns