

## Notices

### St James AGM 2018

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September  
at 11am (after the cuppa after  
the service)

Mark your calendars! This auspicious  
occasion will take place following  
worship on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September –  
all are welcome to attend!

In preparation for the AGM, all  
groups/ committees are reminded  
to prepare their annual reports and  
get these to the parish office by  
September 3<sup>rd</sup> – preferably by  
email: office@stjameswhanganui.nz



CHURCH MEETINGS ARE BRILLIANT

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## St James Rosters August - September

### Worship Leaders

**Note: if you swap with someone on the worship roster, you must let the worship leader of that service know!**

Date	Leader	Musicians	Bible Reader	Prayers	St James Kids	Youth
5 <sup>th</sup> August	Jamie Allen	Mo Morgan	Team	Chris Malpas	Mo Morgan	Felicity, Pam,
12 <sup>th</sup> August	Mo Morgan	Carolyn McIntyre	Enid Waters	R Fox	Kath, Heather	Kirk
19 <sup>th</sup> August	Mo Morgan	Liz Newton	Raewyn Daley	A Campbell	Tess, Rochelle	Ben
26 <sup>th</sup> August	Mo Morgan	Team	Andy Savage	R Jackson	Kath, Pam	Kirk
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Fathers Day	Mo Morgan	Team	R McLay	Tess, Heather	Ben
9 <sup>th</sup> September	Neil Hooker	Carolyn McIntyre	C Wakelin	C Teutscher	Kath, Heather	Richard
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Mo Morgan	Liz Newton	Chris Malpas		Tess, Rochelle	Ben
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	AGM	Mo Morgan	Team	John Peill	Kath, Heather	Ben
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Mo Morgan		Andy Savage		Felicity, Rochelle	Ben
7 <sup>th</sup> October	School Holidays	John Peill				

### Sunday Hospitality

**Note: if you swap with someone on the hospitality roster, you must write up the change on the roster in the foyer!**

Date	Door Duty	Counting	Morning Tea
5 <sup>th</sup> August	B & A Maher	B & A Maher	K & M Sims
12 <sup>th</sup> August	C Hooker, S Hodson	C Hooker, S Hodson	R Daley, M Missen
19 <sup>th</sup> August	B Simpson, A Campbell	B Simpson, A Campbell	N & C Hooker
26 <sup>th</sup> August	C Teutscher, M Missen	C Teutscher, M Missen	B Simpson, A + SL Jackson
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	C Wakelin, G Marrayatt	C Wakelin, G Marrayatt	A Campbell, J Hughson
9 <sup>th</sup> September	A Campbell	A Campbell	B Simpson, J Wilson
16 <sup>th</sup> September	E Waters, R Daley	E Waters, C Wakelin	I Snoek, C Teutscher
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	A Maher, Spencer Family	A Maher, F Spencer	C Wakelin, M Malpas
30 <sup>th</sup> September	B Simpson, Savage Family	B Simpson, A Savage	N & C Hooker
7 <sup>th</sup> October	I Snoek, I Taylor	I Snoek, I Taylor	K & M Sims

# St James Newsletter

## August - September 2018



St James  
Whanganui East  
Presbyterian Church



**During term 3 St James Church will focus on why and how we are called to CARE FOR CREATION.** There are many ways we can pray, learn, give, advocate and make changes in our lives so that we treat our environment as a Gift from God rather than a resource to be exploited. We hope to make a difference for our environment, but we know too that working together for this cause will make a difference for us as a church too!

**ALL ARE WELCOME to come along to the following events where we will learn and find ways together to care for God's Creation!**

#### Jamie Allen Speaking

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August, 9:30am**

To kick off our focus on Caring for Creation, our friend and mentor, Jamie Allen from Tearfund and The Taranaki Retreat will speak to us during the Sunday morning worship service about why and how we are called to Care for Creation.



#### Film & Discussion Evening

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August, 7:30pm**

What is Climate Change? What is actually going on with our planet? Come along and explore these questions prayerfully together by watching a stimulating documentary featuring Climate Change guru Al Gore, followed by a discussion (and supper!)



#### Prayer Night for the Planet

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August, 7:30pm**

An evening to pray for critical environmental issues in our world, our country, and our community. Prayer Stations will be set up for people to move around at their own pace. If you would like to be involved in setting up prayer stations, please contact Kath: katherinecross@hotmail.com or 0211294177

#### An Evening with Nicola Patrick

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 7:30pm**

Nicola is one of two Whanganui counsellors on Horizons Regional Council. She has a history of working in Environmental Management and is a Sustainable Whanganui Trustee. Nicola will present on what are the critical environmental issues for Whanganui right now and how can we get involved in making a difference.



#### Panel Discussion: what can we do? Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 7:30pm

A panel of people will share their experiences of making a difference for the environment, and facilitate a discussion which encourages people to think about what they might do.

#### Clothes Swap Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 7:30pm

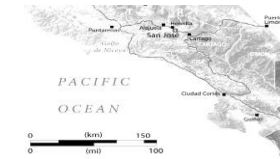
A fun evening which enters into the spirit of 'reduce reuse recycle'! Bring along clothes or accessories that you don't fit or need anymore and swap them for others. \$5 entry fundraising for a cause, supper included.



## What's on for June/July

### Good Companions

Meetings take place on the first Thursday of the month at 2pm in the Dearlove Lounge.



#### Thursday 2nd August

Lynne Flett has recently returned from Costa Rica where she was part of a mission aid programme. She will share about her experience.



#### Thursday 6th September

Our own Andy Savage, who is the Regional Manager of Recreation, Whanganui YMCA, is going to share about his work and the changes that have happened at the YMCA.



#### Thursday 4th October

Elizabeth & John will share about their trip over the Swiss Alps and their cruise up the Rhine.

For more info, contact Elizabeth Peill  
Ph 343 8639; [johnelizabeth@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:johnelizabeth@slingshot.co.nz)

### Mainly Music



Music and Movement session for pre-schoolers and their caregivers. Thursday mornings @ 10am in the hall. \$2 Morning tea included. All welcome! More info: Sue Hodson 343 2080

### Te Awa Kids Choir

Te Awa Kids choir started practices again this term on Tuesdays at 3:30pm at St James. We are a choir for primary school aged kids who sing to make a difference!

In June Te Awa Kids Choir performed at The Masonic Resthome, and it was beautiful seeing the kids' mixture of nerves, shyness and confidence, and the lovely reactions of the Masonic residents. We were moved when one of the Carers shared that one of the residents in the audience singing along to its a Long Way to Tipperary was otherwise without speech, but she started to sing!

If you know of primary aged school children who love to sing, we'd love to meet them! \$10 for the term plus a packet of biscuits.

More info: Beth Savage 021384255



### Meet'n'Eat

Join us for a lunch out on the second Wednesday of every month at The Brick House at 11:45. All welcome, please put your name on the list in the church foyer. More info: Betty Simpson 343 7317

Next lunches: August 8th & 12th September

### 500 Cards

On the last Friday of the month at 7pm in the Church Lounge. All abilities welcome! More info: Christine Wakelin 0276179745

### Prayer Network

St James has a network of people who pray for the church & community each week. If you would like prayer for yourself or a particular situation, or, if you would like to join the network of pray-ers, contact Maureen Missen: [m.a.missenbrown@gmail.com](mailto:m.a.missenbrown@gmail.com) ph 343 5665

Prayer concerns are collated and distributed to the St James Prayer network each Wednesday.

### St James Meal Makers

One of the ways we show love to people is by making meals. This could be when they have a new baby, surgery, or an accident, or when life is just a bit too full on. If you would like to be one of our meal makers we'd love to have you on the list! And if you, or someone you know could use the support of a meal, please contact meal maker coordinator Beth Savage on 021384255 or at [beth.laninga@gmail.com](mailto:beth.laninga@gmail.com)

### Need a ride to church?



...or are you able to give someone else a ride?

If you, or someone you know of, needs a ride to church on Sunday mornings, please be in touch with Christine Wakelin, phone 027 6179745. She will coordinate those who are able with those who need a ride to church on Sunday mornings.

### Birthday Giving

A reminder for those people who regularly make donations on their Birthday; that we have changed the process and donations can now be placed in the Missions contributions tube in the front entrance. We welcome anybody at any time to make a donation on their birthday. For more info, contact Sandra Gubbins: 3479170 [learninglinks36@gmail.com](mailto:learninglinks36@gmail.com)

## St James Kids & Youth

### St James Kids!

This term we are going to think about how we can care for creation. God has made such a beautiful world and He has asked us to look after it. We are part of God's creation so that means taking care of each other too!



Our local community is good place to start. We'll be going on few 'wobble walks' around area on Sunday mornings.

Last term it was so awesome to see you all participating in our Kids led service. You all impressed us with your energy and willingness to take part. This term there will be more opportunities to develop your leadership skills with chances to lead prayers, songs and different parts of the service.

We ask that parents remember to collect their children from Little Lights before they have their morning tea. Also, we want to gently remind parents that children need to be supervised by their parents at morning tea time, especially with children playing football out the front of the church with the dangers of the road.

#### Things coming up...

Little Lights morning tea - Who would like to host? (See Kath)  
Spring-Fest! - Sat 29th September  
Ceilidh - Fri 12th Oct

### Ablaze Youth

Ablaze Youth meets every Sunday morning and every second Friday at 7pm during the school term. More info contact Ben 0279393774

This term the focus for Ablaze is Discipleship and creating opportunities to develop the leadership skills of our youth. We are taking up to four young leaders to the Transformers Plus Camp in Taranaki at the end of August. We will soon be asking the kids to share with us why they would like this opportunity and what they would like to do as future leaders in Ablaze.

We will also be discussing looking after the environment, linking in with Caring for Creation. We are also hoping to move forward with redecorating the back room to make it a place for Ablaze to call their own. The kids are going to be very involved in this, but we are also looking for help with this from anyone with art talents to assist.

#### Friday Night Youth Dates for Term 3:

Friday 10th August @ 7pm      Friday 24th August @ 7pm  
Friday 7th September @ 7pm      Friday 21st September @ 7pm



## News

### Parish Council Update

The St James Parish Council has identified the following key focuses for 2018 at St James: Growing our capacity for hospitality, keeping our intentional focus on ministry to children & youth, providing for the pastoral needs for all ages - being intergenerational, Being Community Facing, growing our Prayer life as a church and improving our finances.

At the last parish council meeting we looked at the need to update our outdoor signage to ensure it is relevant and conveys the key messages we want to project. The key elements we agreed on are that any sign must be; welcoming, clearly show our name, service times and contact details but most of all it must point to Jesus. We plan to ask some of our artistic members to come up with some ideas for consideration.

As part of our commitment to caring for creation we are looking to see if we are using the most eco-friendly products i.e. for cleaning. It would also be nice if our consumable like tea and coffee were sourced from a 'Fair Trade' supplier. As a result, we plan to do some work around alternative products and doing a comparison (including cost) with what we currently use.

With the date for the AGM having been set for Sunday 23 September work will commence on developing a budget for your consideration. It is important that we agree on the coming years expenditure so that we will all have ownership over where we spend our money and agree on the things that are important to us and the life of the church.

Neil Hooker - Parish Clerk

#### How can I give?

By cash: on Sundays during the offering

By envelope: contact Sue Hodson: [sue.kacson@gmail.com](mailto:sue.kacson@gmail.com)

By automatic payment: Set up with your online banking, then email [sue.kacson@gmail.com](mailto:sue.kacson@gmail.com) to get an ID number to receive your rebate

Our church bank account number is: ANZ 06 0793 0004094 02  
NB: If you give by AP or envelope, you can claim a rebate of 33% of your charitable donation.



### Friday Sep 14th @ 6pm

To go with our focus on caring for creation, we'll be watching 'The Lorax'. Bring a pillow, wear your pjs, popcorn provided, see you there!

