



**The Te Aroha  
Co-operating  
Parish  
welcomes you  
to worship  
Sunday 20  
December 2020**

***A service of  
Readings and  
Carols.***

This week as we remember the work of Christian World Service (CWS), we light the candles for peace, hope, joy and the new one for LOVE.

Your contribution for the CWS Appeal can be placed in the regular offering using the special envelop that was included in *The Vine* OR mailed directly to CWS.

This service of Christmas Readings and Carols is led by Diane Bellamy and involves many members of our congregation. A big thank you to Diane and all involved in making this service possible. May we all be blessed as we listen to the Christmas message of the love of God.

#### **We have much to be grateful for ...**

We may not be large in numbers but we are very well served by the gifts and energy that so many contribute in different ways throughout the year – dusting, cleaning, attending to the gardens and taking out the rubbish, fixing fuses, making music and ensuring we can see and hear well during worship. Greeting us as we come to worship, leading worship, making our morning tea, reading the scriptures and leading us in prayer. Keeping our Fellowship Groups happy and interesting and ensuring all those Wednesday activities run smoothly. Too many to thank individually here, however, each contribution is important and valued.

Special thanks at this time to:

- Marjorie and Raewyn (with Tom on the ladder!) who have once again 'dressed' our worship center so beautifully for this Advent season.
- Corolyn who worked hard to ensure the smooth running of the Craft and Market day which raised around \$750 for our Parish.

And now, as the end of the year approaches, may it be a time to slow down a little and reflect on work well done in what has been a difficult year. Thank you to our Minister Rev Mary Petersen for leading us thoughtfully and ably during this time.

#### **Not everything stops now!**

Here is the worship schedule for the remainder of December and January.

#### **December 25 – 9.30 am** Christmas Day Service

Worship Leader	Rev Mary Petersen
Minister's Assistant	Charlie Mace
Musician	Diane Bellamy
Readers	Charlie and Flo Mace
Prayers for others	Flo Mace
Welcomers	Joy Pikethley and Marjorie Stewart
Sound System	Tom Luxton
Data Projector	<i>Not required</i>
<i>No morning tea.</i>	

#### **December 27 – 10.00 am**

Worship Leader	Raewyn Luxton
Minister's Assistant	Peter Kampenhout
Musician	Diane Bellamy
Readers	Corolyn Stephenson and Heather Hayden
Prayers for others	Maurice Hight
Welcomers	John Hayden and Heather Hayden
Sound System	Mel Woodley
Data Projector	<i>Not required</i>
<i>No morning tea.</i>	

**January 3 – 10.00am** Communion Service at St Mark's Anglican Church

**January 10 – 10.00am** Communion Service here at St David's Church

**January 17 – 10.00am** Communion Service at St Mark's Anglican Church

**January 24 – 10.00am** Communion Service here at St David's Church

**January 31 – 10.00am** Our regular pattern of worship resumes with a Communion Service here at St David's Church led by Rev Mary Petersen.

Remember that the lunchtime BBQ's will be held on each of the Sundays beginning on January 3 at robyn and David Brown's home, 70 Ritchie Street.

*The new Preaching Plan/Roster is available in the foyer today. Please take your copy and check that you are available on the dates assigned to you.*

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