

**Church donations:** Please consider making your regular donations via automatic payment from your bank account either online or ask your bank to set this up for you. As long as your name is put in the reference section, we can record the amount for your annual donations receipt. Our Parish bank Account at BNZ (Methodist Church of NZ, Te Awamutu) is 02-0800- 0005141- 000. If you have any queries or concerns, please call Peter Ph 021978343.

**Public Issues & Ecumenical Climate Justice writes to Prime Minister**  
Our [letter to the Prime Minister](#) are to support transformative recovery, not just 'back to normal'. We say that projects and investments need to support climate change goals and cutting back on carbon. We proposed 6 areas for the additional \$20b budget provisions for post COVID projects and investments. We even suggest a new Ministry of Work, Kindness and Climate Responsibility! We also submitted to the COVID Fast Track Consenting bill asking **that consulting with Pacific Peoples** be added.  
See [http://www.methodist.org.nz/public\\_questions\\_network/index3](http://www.methodist.org.nz/public_questions_network/index3)

**PRESBYTER:** Rev Shelley Walker Ph. 07 8714453

Cell 0276948779 Email revshelleynz@gmail.com

**PARISH STEWARDS**

Nynke Piebenga 07 871 9595

Colin Pinkerton 07 8713554

**CHURCH OFFICE** 07 871 5376

**Te Awamutu Methodist Church Website**

[http://www.methodist.org.nz/find\\_us/waikato\\_waiariki/te\\_awamutu](http://www.methodist.org.nz/find_us/waikato_waiariki/te_awamutu)

or just search 'Te Awamutu Methodist Church'

**Notices for next Sunday's bulletin to Judith please  
Phone 07 870 5512 or email [briceandjudith@hotmail.com](mailto:briceandjudith@hotmail.com)**

**Weekly Newsletter – 28 June 2020**

**METHODIST PARISH OF  
TE AWAMUTU, PIRONGIA, OTOROHANGA**

**Church address: 261 Bank Street, Te Awamutu**



**A letter of thanks**

Hello, to all you lovely people at the Methodist Church, Te Awamutu.

Just a quick thankyou once again for your generous ongoing donation of the \$50 per month you have been supporting the Te Awamutu Schools Attendance Service with.

As always this goes towards lunches for kids in need, a coffee for a caregiver who needs a treat and a talking to, and other bits and pieces along the way.

We are finding more families are struggling and mental health is a big problem. Taking a struggling student out for a hot chocolate or lunch can mean so much and your ongoing support makes this do-able.

Many thanks and love to you all.

Helen Bright

Te Awamutu District Schools' Attendance Officer



## Lectionary Readings for this Sunday:

[Genesis 22.1-14](#) The Lord tells Abraham to go to Moriah where he is to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice. Abraham acts in obedience but, just as he is about to slaughter his son, he is stopped by the Lord's angel and a ram is offered instead.

[Psalm 13](#) David prays for the Lord's help. "How much longer, Lord, will you forget about me?"

[Romans 6.12-23](#) Paul outlines our choice. We can be slaves to sin or slaves who do what pleases God. "Sin pays off with death. But God's gift is eternal life."

[Matthew 10.40-42](#) Jesus speaks of the rewards for those who are welcoming of others. This is rather a striking [reading in \*The Message translation\*](#).

## Services coming up

**June 28** Rev Shelley  
**July 5** Rev Shelley – Communion  
**12** Nan Russell  
**19** Rev Shelley  
**26** Lynn Pinkerton

## Rest Home Services

**June 30** Highfield CHT at 2.30 pm. Singers welcome

**Reflective Services** on hiatus over winter, resuming in September.



## Pray for others:-

- For the frail and elderly and their carers
- for the world with all its problems
- for those who have been made unemployed and the agencies who are providing food and shelter for them.

## Coming Events

**3 July** Friday at 1.30 pm

**Memorial Service** for Coliin Hall

**5 July** Sunday after church

**Bread and Spread Lunch**

This is our favourite way of fundraising – bread is provided, we all bring toppings to go on the bread. A fundraiser for parish funds.



**6 July** – Closing date for applications for **Hospital Chaplaincy**

Each year Waikato Hospital Volunteer Chaplaincy Team offer a training programme. Applications are now invited for the 2020 intake and will close on 6 July. Training will commence on 19 August - 20 hours instruction over 10 weeks. See poster on Notice Board and talk to Lynne.

**10 July** Friday at 1.30 pm

A **Memorial Service** will be held in our church for Robin Holdaway. You are invited to wear bright colours and bring along a garden flower or two in memory of Robin.

**12 July** Sunday at 2.30 pm

Te Awamutu Music Federation is back in action again and has a wonderful concert at **St John's Anglican Church**. You might remember the movie at the Regent called 'Crossing Rachmaninov' which followed the preparation by Flavio Villani of a piano concerto to be performed with an orchestra in Italy. Well that same Flavio Villani is going to play Chopin Ballads and Nocturnes at this concert, as well as some improvisation, together with well-known Jonathan Dunlop (who often performs at our Competitions) playing music recently performed for his Doctoral examinations. \$20 at the door.