

Some thoughts:-

Don't think about what can happen in a month
Don't think about what can happen in a year.
Just focus on the 24 hours in front of you
And do what you can to get closer to where you want to be

Strength

We gain strength in the most ironic way
We find it when we are weakest,
When we think we are breaking into a shattered chaos
We learn to have the strength
To let go of what doesn't make us strong.
Chrissie Pinney.

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Weekly Newsletter –28 February 2021

METHODIST PARISH OF TE AWAMUTU, PIRONGIA, OTOROHANGA

Church address: 261 Bank Street, Te Awamutu



World Day of Prayer Service Friday 5 March 2021

**10.30 for morning tea, Service begins at 11 a.m.
Venue: St John's Anglican Church**

The service this year has been prepared by the people of Vanuatu. It is entitled "Build on a Strong Foundation"

One of the members of the Anglican Church spent 3 years in Vanuatu and has a large collection of items of authentic clothing, women's weaving work, and examples of the men's carving. Many of these things will be on display as well as a large prayer mat which will cover the altar table.

This is a lovely opportunity to join with people world-wide all using the same service and prayers.

Lectionary Readings for this Sunday:

Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

Psalm 22: 23-31

Romans 4: 13-25

Mark 8: 31-38

Services coming up:

26 February (Friday) 10:45am: Beattie Home, Otorohanga

28 February 10am: Rev Shelley

5 March 11am: World Day of Prayer – at Saint John’s Anglican

7 March 10am: Rev Shelley – Communion

7 March 7pm: Reflective service - Rev Shelley

14 March 10am: Rev Shelley - Harvest Service

21 March 10 a.m. Robin, Peter and Choir
(Service from last year’s postponement)

Harvest Festival – 14 March

Please keep this service in mind. Could you begin gathering items to display and for donation to the Foodbank

Our **wwwexplore** services will resume Friday **March 26**

Please pray for –

People who are finding daily life difficult

Horticultural businesses that are trying to harvest their crops with few workers

Folk struggling with fragile mental health



Lenten Studies: A series of studies will be held for four weeks during March, beginning on March 3 at 2.30pm in the Church Lounge. These are based on 'A Methodist way of life', and will explore the ways we try to live our lives in response to God’s love made known to us in Jesus.

Foodbank:

More delivery people are needed to help get food parcels to those who need them. If you would be able to help on a regular or an occasional basis, please see Shelley, or phone Ian McLauchlan on 027 3895470.

Te Awamutu Day of Blessing:

The annual town blessing will be held this year on Wednesday 3 March at the Te Awamutu Rugby Sports and Recreation Club at 12 noon. The guest speaker this year is NZ boxer and motivational speaker Billy Graham. In 2011, he was named Local Community Hero of the Year at the New Zealander of the Year awards, and in the 2020 Queen's Birthday Honours, was appointed a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, for services to youth and the community.

Combined Churches Prayer Gathering: The combined churches worship and prayer time before the Day of Blessing is at 4pm on Sunday 28 February at REACH Church.

Road Trip

At a meeting last Sunday of those interested in going on a Road Trip, it was decided to postpone it till another date when more people are able to go. It is hoped to reschedule it for late March. Watch this space.