

A Prayer for Disability Sunday (by Rosalie Sugrue)

God of pain and God of peace, Mother and Father of us all,
Created in your image we inherited what makes us human,
The ability to think, communicate, reflect, record and create.
These gifts are precious and we give you thanks.

Though we have gifts in common, we are not all alike,
Each of us is a different individual, unique and special,
We come before you rejoicing in difference.
We come before you knowing each child is given a different blend
of gifts and experiences, that shape, and keep shaping the adult.

Every person in your world is differently abled,
Every person in your world is differently disabled.
Help each of us use what we can,
to enhance our lives and your world.
Amen

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**This poem was nominated for United Nations Best Poem of
2006. It was written by an African child**

When I born, I Black
When I grow up, I Black
When I go in sun, I Black
When I sick, I Black, and
When I die, I still Black
And U White fella,
When u born, u pink
When u grow up, u white
When u go in sun, u red
When u cold, u blue
when u Scared, u yellow
When u sick, u green, and
When u die, u gray
And.....
You calling me coloured??

Lectionary Readings for this Sunday:

1 Samuel 17: 1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49 The Israelites and Philistines are at war. The encounter of David with Goliath represents a crucial victory.

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 6: 1-13 Paul's credentials as an apostle have been questioned by the Corinthians. He tells of the sacrifices he has endured to bring them the good news.

Mark 4: 35-41 Jesus stills a storm while sailing with the disciples across the Sea of Galilee.

Focus readings for Disability Awareness Sunday:

1 Corinthians 12:12-27 and Mark 2: 1-4

Services coming up:

June 20	Rev Shelley – Disability Sunday
June 27	Rev Shelley – World Refugee Sunday
July 4	Rev Shelley Communion, Matariki
7pm 4	Reflective Service
11	Peter Robertson and Choir
18	Rev Shelley
25	Rev Shelley

Rest Home Services coming up:

22 June	(Tuesday): 2pm Highfield CHT
25 June	(Friday): Beattie Home, Otorohanga

There will be no wwwexplore service and meal this month – there are too many other things happening that weekend, including the Mid-Winter Thanksgiving Evening on 26 June.



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We pray for others:

For people with disabilities of any kind that make it difficult for them to participate in activities that many of us take for granted.

For the families and carers of people with life-changing disabilities.

For those involved with providing the Covid vaccine roll out.

Pastoral Care Committee: All those who are on the pastoral team, or are interested in being a member, are invited to attend a meeting in the Church Lounge at 2pm on Thursday 1 July. If you would like to be involved, but can't make it on that date, please let Shelley know.

Methodist Women's Fellowship



Our next meeting is on Thursday 24 June at 2 pm in the Church Lounge. The speaker will be Margot Pinar from Perpetual Guardian Trust. (She was recommended to us by Age Concern). Remember to bring all the peggy squares you have been knitting.

Midwinter Thanksgiving Meal - Saturday 26 June

Have you put your name on the list in the lounge to make sure you get some dinner? There is also a place there to write whether you would like to bring a salad or a dessert.

The cost will be \$10 and any excess funds will go towards the windows in the hall. Our many talented members will be bringing entertainment. So it looks like a great night of fun and fellowship. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

P.S. Don't forget to bring a small stone!

