

Monday 1 July *Marge & Robin's day off*

5.30pm Shared Meal and Know Your Bible study in Parish Centre

Tuesday 2 July

Wednesday 3 July 8am **Half hour prayer meeting in Parish Centre**
10am Dixon House devotions (Emily)

Thursday 4 July 5.15pm **Men's prayer gathering meet at Elim to go to Westport.**

Friday 5 July *Emily's Half Day off from 12 Noon*
10am Kids 'n Coffee
7pm Youth Shed

Saturday 6 July *Emily's day off*

Services Next Sunday 7 July 2024 (1st week of school holidays)

GREYMOUTH:

8am Traditional Holy Communion
10am Family service with Communion & Music
After Morning Tea—Prayer Meeting in Chapel
2pm Holy Communion
4.30pm Youth Service at The Shed, 186 Main South Rd.

KUMARA: 10am Morning Worship


Prayer Requests to: Joanna Lorimer - 027 380 2989

FLOWERS

Bronwyn W
Jeanette

CHURCH CLEANING


Tony & Margaret
Woollett

CHURCH MOWING

Doug Bray

Last Weekend Attendance: 73 Offertory: \$3,803 (Total needed: \$3,700 **)

**** This figure (set by AGM) is the weekly budget for all our expenses except for the costs of our curate and roof repairs for which the AGM agreed to use savings. Any weekly giving above the budgeted amount helps reduce the drain on savings.**

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**Anglican Parish
of Greymouth & Kumara**

30 June 2024

***Growing Disciples of Jesus
Blessed to be a Blessing***

Theme: The Journey of Faith
Sentence: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Readings: Romans 10:9-13 (p 1466); Mark 5:21-43 (p 1281)

Prayer for the Day:

**God our Father, you alone are holy.
You are above every name and power,
and you have stooped down in your Son Jesus
to meet us in our hearts and lives.
By your Spirit, you minister wholeness to us in our journeys with you.
You make us able to worship and love you,
to become like you in our thinking and feeling,
and to act as your children in everyday life. Amen.**

Preacher: Emily Holmes

Theme for next weekend: School of Grace
Readings next weekend: Mark 6:1-13; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Preacher next weekend: Marge Tefft

SYNOD BILLETING

Our parish is hosting Synod this year on 12-14th September. The diocese is looking for people who could offer a billet and breakfast for two nights/mornings. If you would like to help, please contact Renata at — renata@nelsonanglican.nz

Greymouth men meet at Greymouth Elim Church on Guinness Street at 5.15pm to ride share.

CORNER DESKS AVAILABLE

WSP is undertaking an office refit. As such, we have 6 large grey corner desks (2m x2m) and 2 slightly smaller ones (1.7 x1.7m) which need new homes. They are in perfect condition. If anyone in your community would like one, please contact me as below. They are dismantled for ease of pick up and are very easy to put together. Phone 03 373 2039 or cellphone 021 0867 7464 or Sarah.Evans@wsp.com

MEN'S PRAYER GATHERING THIS THURSDAY

This Thursday 4th July, we will be going up to pray with guys from across the churches in Westport, and hopefully the wider Buller District. The venue is the Union Church (Elim Church) at 54 Palmerston Street, Westport.



*Marge
Writes*

I had never been on a silent retreat before and wasn't sure what to expect. 48 hours of lesser and greater silence was a whole new experience.

Watiri Maina skillfully conducted the retreat at a bach up at beautiful Lake Rotoiti. The theme was — *Dwelling in God's Presence: A Journey of Renewal and Peace.*

We were constrained to silence except during our sessions with Watiri, but then conversation was limited to the spiritual exercise we were engaging. Even at meal times, silence was kept (though we could ask for salt!).

Over the 48 hours we encountered God's presence in Scripture, creation, poetry, art, and the prayer of examen.

On the drive home Thursday and again on Friday, Matariki, Robin and I reflected on what we had gained. We also had some good insights regarding some things for the parish and I wonder if those ideas came because we pulled ourselves away for a short time to concentrate on being in God's presence.

I don't think it is for nought that the common name for personal devotions is "Quiet Time". There is real benefit to being silent before the Lord and letting Him communicate to us his love, correction, forgiveness, direction, and the knowledge of His presence ever with us.

With love and blessing,
Marge

HOW'S IT GOING?

Stuck in a Rut preached by Pete White. When an opportunity arises, do I grasp it, or do I play it safe? Do I want to keep doing that which is familiar to me? Am I stuck in a rut?

Ruth and Orpah were widows. When their mother-in-law, Naomi decided to go back to her homeland of Bethlehem. Ruth was willing to risk going to a foreign country with her, Orpah said no. Ruth had amazing things happen for her as a result of the risk. She found a rich husband, had a child, and one of their descendants was Jesus.

Jesus said that we are to follow Him, whatever the cost. Be prepared to risk hardship. Be willing to change.

Revitalisation is the catch cry in our diocese. That immediately suggests change. Are we willing to take a risk, adapt to whatever is called of us? We need to be willing accept change, welcome it and let Jesus lead us.

Pray for God to intervene and challenge us about reaching out, how we spend our time, our money and become more relevant to our community.

If we are embarrassed about being a follower of Jesus and don't want people to know we are genuine believers, Jesus will be ashamed of us.

Are you stuck in a rut, or willing to change in order to see a growing church?

VESTRY SNIPPETS

Blinds for north sanctuary windows

When we livestream for funerals, the lectern is moved near to the piano so that the family of the deceased have a good view of the altar as well as the casket.

The sun shining on the front wall of the church causes the video camera to adjust the exposure so that the faces of those speaking are very dark. The blinds would cut out the glare and solve the problem.

Marge will get advice from a colour and décor consultant to determine whether roller or vertical blinds would be best and best colour.

Roof repairs to avoid leaks

We thanked Pete White for his major efforts in stopping the leaks from the internal guttering at the back of the hall. However, we acknowledged this is a temporary fix. Major reconstruction of the lounge and kitchen roof will be needed in order to provide a permanent fix by replacing the external gutter along side the hall and the three deteriorating copper droppers from that gutter. We agreed this needed doing, but first we would need to find extra funds.

Hall roof needs new screws.

We have been advised that the long term solution for fixing the few roof leaks in the hall and avoiding others in the future is to replace all the nails and shorter screws with extra long roofing screws. Once we get an estimate of the cost of this work, we will decide when we can engage the Caldana team .

Privacy issues with parish directory

We have been alerted to potential privacy issues with the publishing of the parish directory and prayer calendar. Your consent will be sought before the next issues are published.

Property Team Leader

Ian Hawes was appointed the chair of the property committee. The other members are Pete White, Tony Woollett and Robin Kingston.

Fundraising idea from Emily & Greg

Emily presented the concept of she and Greg doing an ultra marathon and seeking sponsorship to help with the repairs and maintenance of the hall, lounge and kitchen. These areas of our church plant are greatly used by the wider community and so may attract outside sponsorship.

Emily has a wide range of contacts via social media and she is hoping that many people not connected to the parish will be encouraged to contribute. Of course parishioners will also be able to choose to support them in their ambitious run.

Emily will give us more details of what is involved. The event itself would be sometime next year, possibly before Easter. Vestry were thrilled with the concept and most grateful for their offer which was warmly accepted!

Revisioning day for the parish

We are aiming to have some of the Bishop's Ministry team to facilitate this over Nov 1-2 (Fri evening and all day Sat). It is expected that those interested in the future ministry of the parish will be able to participate and seek the will of God in the future direction of the parish.

Finances

We are encouraged by the increased giving over the last few months. You may have noticed that we are receiving more than the budget (\$3,700/week). The budget was set at the AGM in April to cover all costs EXCEPT the cost of our curate and the church roof repairs. The AGM agreed to cover the costs of our curate and roof repairs by draining our reserves saved up over the last 16 years. Any weekly giving that is above the budget will help us not to have to use so much of the reserves and we are very grateful. Currently we are expecting to use about \$100,000 of reserves to cover all the commitments.

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