Happening

Toy Lending Library: fortnightly in School term. Tues 11-1pm. Contact Janet Kidd.

Second Chance Op Shop: NOTE: They are unable to accept donations of clothing at this time. Open Tuesday's 10am—2pm. Contact Elesha Thomas for more information.

The Op Shop Cafe: Tuesday's 10am - 12pm. Contact Elizabeth Holman 832 2259 or Myra Dormer 021 172 0546

Children's Ministry: Sunday mornings during the service. See Rachel McMahon. **Mainly Music:** Thursday 10am. Contact Sherilyn 021 298 2762.

Friendship Group @ Ranui: Friday from 10am till 12pm. Morning Tea provided. Contact Myra Dormer or Ph. Church office 833 7815.

Women's Bible Study Group: Mondays 10 am - 12 pm at Glenda's home in Massey. Contact Glenda Winn 022 647 0021

Intercessors: Wednesday 9:30-10.45am in the Prayer Room, followed by tea & cake. Contact Rosanne Martin 022 128 4890.

Men's Home group: Thurs 7.00-9.00pm in the Café. John Blight or Tai Taua. **Women's Fellowship, Worship, Prayer, and Bible Study:** "The Thursday Nighters" on Thursday evenings 7 pm - 9 pm in Ranui.

There's a Facebook Messenger group associated with the Thursday Nighters that helps us keep in touch. This group warmly welcomes all women in our church and their friends.Contact Ronnie Nicolson 021 027 07540.

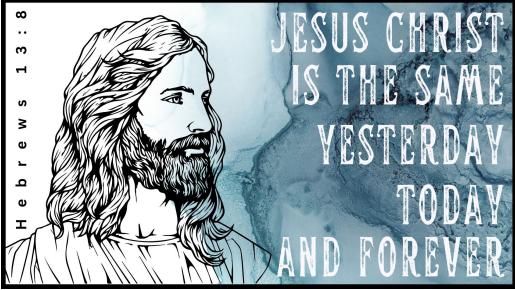
Moneymates: Wednesday 10am—12pm. Contact Glenn Harris on 021 0902 7110 or gharris@careranui.org.nz

Duty Roster	21st April	28th April
Door Greeters	Barbara & Jessica Kidd	Jill Bice & Pat Sharman
Notices	John Blight	Kristen Bettany

Ranui Baptist Contact Information

Senior Pastor: Grahame Walker grahame@ranuibaptist.org.nz Associate Pastor: Tai Taua pastortai@ranuibaptist.org.nz Elders: John Blight, Kristen Bettany, Rob Kidd, Peter Soole, Cherith Telford Office Manager: Robert Murray Office Hours: 8.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Friday Office Phone: 833-7815 Email: ranuibaptist@xtra.co.nz Website: www.ranuibaptist.org.nz Postal Address: P.O. Box 70040, Ranui, Auckland 0655

RANUI BAPTIST CHURCH



Sunday 14th April 2024

This Week's Service: Sunday 14th April

10 am - Grahame Walker - The Gospel of John -Women caught in adultery

Children in Service (School Holidays)

Next Week's Service:

Sunday 21st April 10 am - Grahame Walker - The Raising of Lazarus

Children in Service (School Holidays)

Grahame Walker

WOMAN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY:

This story recalls a carefully planned and laid trap for Jesus. If Jesus said, "Yes, stone her," then he would have gotten in trouble with the Romans because only they had the authority to exercise capital punishment. Also, he would have lost his reputation as being a friend of sinners. If Jesus said, "Don't stone her," then he would have been accused of being light on sin, a liberal, someone who didn't really embrace God's law and holiness. So, in hopes he'd fall into one of those traps – they used this woman shamefully.

So, what happened? Jesus gave this woman her life back. He wouldn't let anyone judge her. He pointed out that all her accusers were sinners. That's why they left. That was the grace. Next came the truth. Don't sin and live like this anymore. The encounter with Jesus set her free from the judgment of others and free from the clutches of sin itself. She was expecting to be killed, not set free. That's what an encounter with Jesus does. That's what Jesus offers us every day.

> If you'd like a copy of the sermon notes you can collect them from the foyer. Or visit our website www.ranuibaptist.org.nz/sermons/

The market place was silent As she tried to make for home She had sold her body with remorse and shame,

> Suddenly there came a noisy crowd, Ready to condemn her sin,

And hoped she walked alone.

They would stone her, cause her death Her dread was deep within.

There came a stranger called Jesus, He saw the angry crowd, Kindly he spoke, but His words were clear and loud.

Those without sin can cast the first stone" Silence as men saw their wanton shame One by one they walked away, Leaving her to wonder on his name.

Jesus said, "see who condemns you, No one, neither do I" Go and sin no more, Your life I shall restore.

Written by Christine Bradley

STAFF ANNUAL LEAVE:

Sherilyn will be on leave next week from 15-18 April. Please send through any newsletter content as per usual. Robert will be on leave from 22 to 26 April, please contact Sherilyn during this time if you have any office related enquiries.

DONATIONS TAX RECEIPTS:

These have been completed. If you have any questions regarding your tax receipt or have not yet received yours please get in touch with Sherilyn in the Office; admin@ranuibaptist.org.nz

<u>THE OP SHOP CAFÉ:</u>

Happening every Tuesday from 10 am—12pm in the café running alongside the op shop. Free coffee & Morning tea provided. Come along, chat, make friends & meet the community! For more information contact

For more information contact Elizabeth Holman 832 2259 or Myra Dormer 021 172 0546

Coming Up



Feijoas Wanted!

Family,...let your generosity in supporting the Ukraine go deeper into the roots of the effort by bringing in sound, healthy, ground-fallen feijoas for me to make chutney.

Just bring in a bag or two on Sunday, or drop them off at my place, or I can even come pick them up from you if necessary. Call Derek on 0211178834 or touch base with him in the Café on Sunday.

FUNDRAISING FOR UKRAINE WITH DEREK'S KITCHEN:

Come and see Derek in the cafe following the service to purchase some delicious preserves and support his efforts to fundraise for the ongoing aid work in Ukraine through Mission without Borders. Please remember to bring back your clean jars 250-300ml only.



THE SEND EXPERIENCE TOUR:

A generation is searching for identity and meaning. Imagine if every believer played their God-given part in the Great Commission. What would our nation and our world look like? Tickets for this event at LIFE Central are selling quickly. Tickets are available for \$2+ koha each and can be bought in groups of up to 50, scan the QR code for more information.