

Regular Groups:

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



Second Chance Op Shop: Tuesdays 10am–2pm in the Café. Quality clothing & household items for sale. Contact Jill or the Church office



The Op Shop Café: Tuesdays 10am - 12pm in the Café. Friendship & morning tea. Contact Elizabeth 832 2259 or Myra 021 172 0546



Ranui Toy Lending Library: Tuesdays 11am-1pm (fortnightly). Hire toys - School term only. Contact Janet Kidd or the Church office.



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



Mainly Music: Thursdays 10am in the Hall. Music, dance & fun for under 5's & their parents. Contact Sherilyn 021 298 2762



Men's Home Group: Thursdays 7-9pm in the Café. Fellowship, bible Studies & prayer. Contact Tai Taua or John Blight 022 655 8400



The Thursday Nighters: 7-9pm in the prayer room. Women's prayer, Fellowship, Worship & Bible Study. Contact Ronnie 021 027 07540



Friendship Group: Fridays 10am-12pm in the cafe. Play games & have fun, morning tea provided. Contact Myra Dormer 021 172 0546



Foodbank: Open on Fridays 9:30-11:30am to locally living residents. Donate items to the trolley. To volunteer contact Elesha



The Prayer Chain: A chain of faithful prayers in our church. For prayer requests contact Marlene 027 848 6948 or Grahame Walker.



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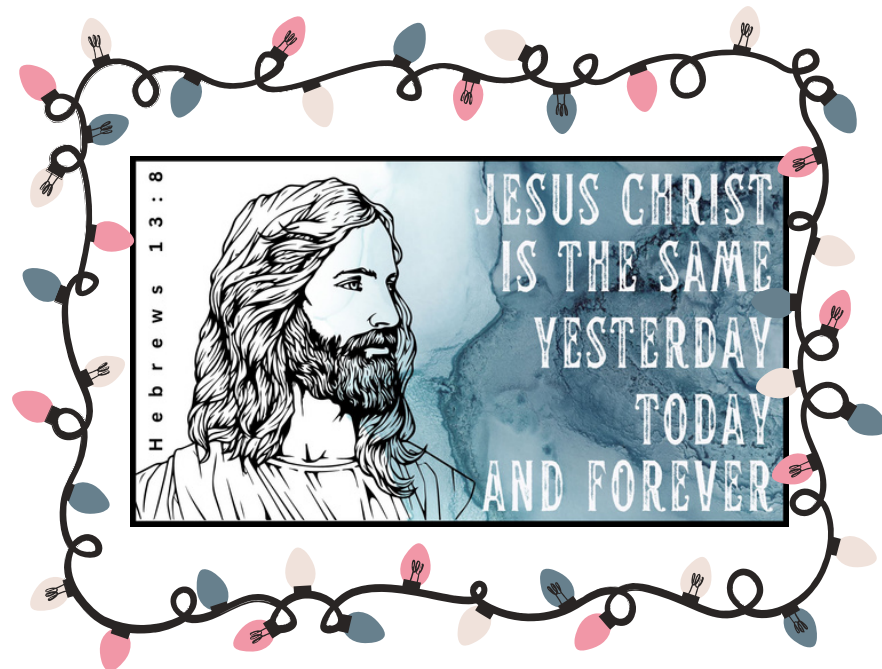
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This Week's Sermon: **Learning from the Shepherds**

In Luke 2:1-20, we read that the angels appeared to the shepherds about the birth of Christ. They were told about the birth of Jesus before anyone else. When the Angels told of the birth, this message did not come first to Kings, presidents or priests but to a group of shepherds. This is such a familiar part of the story that we quickly move past this. I want to encourage you this morning to stay with this part of the Christmas story. That is the angelic announcement to the shepherds.

The people who worked as shepherds were looked down on. They were both spiritual and social outcasts. I want to talk to you about your spiritual self-esteem this morning. This isn't talked about very much and I wish it was discussed more often. Now, we all know about self-esteem, but we don't often talk about this in terms of our spiritual lives and how low this can get. So, let me ask you this question and please don't cruise past this, how do you think God feels about you this morning?

God is saying, I am the final word in your life and that word is Love. Gods' love. Given by a God who is so full of love and tenderness toward us that he sent his son so that we may have a way back to him. A new relationship with him. Don't let those tapes play in your head over and over that create this terrible low spiritual self-esteem. Maybe this Christmas is the one to get more serious about God in your life. Whatever your Christmas looks like God wants to be right in the middle of it. Whether it's fun and joy spent with family and loved ones, or you find yourself feeling more like the shepherds. Looked down on and rejected. God's grace exists for all of us. Right now, and for all time.

Grahame Walker

NEXT WEEK: 10am - Grahame Walker

(Children in the Service)



Door Greeters:
Henry & Marlene

Notices:
Rob Kidd



Door Greeters:
Jill & Pat

Notices:
John Blight



CHRISTMAS CAROL FAMILY SERVICE

24 December 2024 - 7pm

Followed by Supper



464 SWANSON ROAD



Supporting M.W.B. in Ukraine
Yellow Dot Day!

Today from Derek's Kitchen...

- Limealade
- G.L.A.M. Citrus Splash
- Guava Jelly
- Feijoa Chutney (Mild)
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- Tomato & Yellow Chilli Chutney (Mild)
- Tomapeño (Medium)

