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. Prayfollowed 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 Nighter's: 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.



Our Staff:



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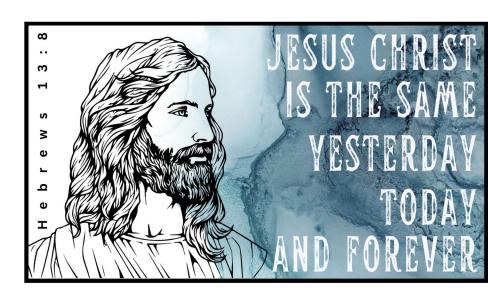


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Jude was written for a general audience. Meaning, it was an open letter that was meant to be circulated among, and read by, multiple churches. So, it wasn't addressing a particular church or a particular situation. It was written for wide consumption. We don't know a lot about Jude except that he was a respected leader in the early church, and, like the apostle James, he was also the brother of Jesus.

There were some people, scattered throughout the various churches, who were teaching that being saved by grace gave them license to sin since their sins would no longer be held against them. Here's the thinking they were trying to spread. If my sin means that I need forgiveness, and I find that forgiveness through the grace of God that flows from Jesus, then isn't my relationship with sin now changed? Meaning that it's no big deal? Doesn't my sin just keep getting met with God's grace and forgiveness, so it's not a big deal whether I sin or not? I mean, if I ask for forgiveness, I'm forgiven, right? So why not just sin away!

The grace of God is not a game and God's not an idiot. God's grace is not to be mocked. It's not to be cheapened. For those of us have come to God through Jesus and prayed for and received grace, we've entered into a new life. It's a life purchased at great cost. To refuse to honour that cost and follow the one who gave everything for us would be to dishonour our Lord and saviour and everything that new life stands for.

The best, simplest definition of grace is that which is freely given, and totally undeserved. It is what we have in the love and forgiveness offered to us by God through what Jesus did on the cross. As the Bible says in the book of Ephesians. 8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from

yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Grahame Walker Thursday Nighters:



Ella Kaihau will be welcomed into membership today!

New Church Reception Office Hours:

Sherilyn's Church office hours have changed. She will now be working in the office on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday's between 10am - 2pm. You can get in touch with her during her work hours on the office phone on 833-7815 or her personal mobile 021 298 2762. Send through any newsletter content or any general requests out of office hours via email; admin@ranuibaptist.org.nz. Contact her via her mobile outside of office hours in an emergency only. Thanks!

Baptism Service 16th February 2025

We will be holding a baptism service here at RBC on Sunday the 16th of February. If you have been thinking about baptism or would like to know more about it, please get in touch with Pastor Grahame or Pastor Tai.

Weekly Prayer Focus:

Praying for wisdom, health, protection, revelations of God's word, and the love of Jesus are some of the things you can pray for if you don't know what to pray for. Otherwise, pray as the Spirit leads you.

Please pray during the prayer time & during the week for the following people

- and ministries: The RBCC Trust workers (Elesha) and the work of the RBCC Trust.
 - Pray for the budgeting service, the food bank, the transitional housing team, the op shop and op shop café, Mainly Music, the Friendship Club and the Toy Library.
 - Pray for the trust board to make wise decisions in unity and led by the Holy Spirit

The women's small group the "Thursday Nighters" Will recommence this Thursday (13th of February).

NEXT WEEK: 10am - Grahame Walker **Baptism Message & Service** (Children's Church On!)

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Door Greeters:

Jill & Pat

Notices: Rob Kidd



Door Greeters:

Maurice & Myra

Notices:

John Blight