

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 Youth Group: Fortnightly on Friday's at 6:30pm. Contact Ella Kaihau 0277 111 038

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 Sarah 021 116 7379

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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SUNDAY 20 APRIL 2025



CELEBRATING 60 YEARS IN FEBRUARY 2026



BIBLE CLASS 1982

Pam Hopkins, Stephen Sharman, Susan Jensen, Gilbert Parker, Patrice Tidman
Michael Bavastro, Noreen Moore, Rob Kidd, Deborah Kidd, Paul Wallace
Janet Parker, Jozsef Fityus, David & Christine Bartle, David Ball, Marilyn Blight
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We have been in a series that I have called the passion, which is another word for his suffering, specifically the horrors surrounding his last week on earth which culminated in his death by crucifixion. We take up this story with Mark's gospel, when the women saw that Jesus was not in his burial tomb. These women were left trembling and bewildered. They were completely disorientated, totally confused, scared to death. **Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.**

Mark 16: 8.

So, the resurrection story begins with confusion. Those who went to find the tomb empty were totally perplexed, muddled and completely puzzled. Christ has risen! Some people had heard the rumour, others suspected foul play. The religious leaders were so worried that they took action to contain this story as it would ruin their plans and threaten their status. So, they fabricated a false story to convince everyone that the resurrection was simply not true.

The resurrection is witnessed by many different believers. First Corinthians gives us a short list of Jesus' appearances. **After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.** **1 Corinthians 15: 6-8.** The multiple reports in this passage indicate how widespread the testimony had become.

Now, Jesus sits at the right hand of God. This is not some kind of abstract idea but a central reality of the Christian faith. He now possesses authority over all those forces that stand opposed to us and our faith. Such authority stands behind his ability to give us new birth. The early Christians would greet each other like this. "He has risen", "He has risen indeed". *Grahame Walker*

You can collect a copy of the sermon notes from the foyer on Sunday mornings or visit our website

School Holidays Updates:

- **The Op Shop & Op Shop Cafe** are closed next week. Back serving the community on Tuesday the 29th of April
- **The Foodbank** will be closed on the 25th of April, reopening on the 2nd of May.
- The Church office will be closed on Easter Monday & Anzac day.
- **Sherilyn is on leave** next week 24th & 28th of April - back on the 29th of April.
- **Robert is on leave** 22nd-24th of April - back on the 28th of April



Hamish & Nicola Alexander
have been visited for membership
- Second Notice

Easter

COMMUNITY DINNER

YOU'RE INVITED

You are warmly invited to join us in the celebration of Easter for our Community Dinner. Come along and meet your neighbours, make some new friends and enjoy great food!

WHEN
Tuesday 22nd April - 6 pm

WHERE
Ranui Baptist Church
464 Swanson Road

Weekly Prayer Focus:

Please pray during the prayer time and the week for the following people & ministries.

- Pray for healing and deliverance, for people to be saved here at RBC, all over NZ and in the Mustard Seed churches in Japan.
- Pray for the youth at Easter camps. Pray for the Holy Spirit to move powerfully amongst the youth and the youth leaders.
- Pray for revival and a hunger for God especially for our high school and university students

Donations Tax Receipts:

The donations tax receipts have been completed. We have emailed copies to those who have email addresses listed. If you have not received your donations tax receipt, please get in touch with the office as we are missing your contact details! admin@ranuibaptist.org.nz

NEXT WEEK: 10am - Grahame Walker

Life of Samson

(No Children's Church - School Holidays!)



Door Greeters:
Barbara & Jess

Notices:
Rob Kidd



Door Greeters:
TBC

Notices:
John Blight