



# Alpine Presbytery

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## Newsletter 17th March 2022

### Autumn Gathering

Given the changing situation with Covid, we have decided to shift our first Gathering for this year online. It will be held on Zoom on Saturday 26th March from 9.30am—12noon. Documents regarding any items for vote will be circulated before hand, and voting will be conducted via email.

Anyone is welcome to attend, however we do ask that you register in order to access the Zoom link. We appreciate that the Zoom format is difficult for some people and will do our best to make sure provide for breaks and opportunities to connect in smaller breakout rooms.

A timetable for the morning will be made available closer to the time.

Register here: [alpine.infoodle.com/f/AutumnGathering2022](https://alpine.infoodle.com/f/AutumnGathering2022)

### A Medal for the Padre

Last week, Rev Chris Purdie received the New Zealand Armed Forces Award which was first instituted 1985. It is presented to Officers who have completed 14 years full-time service in any of the forces in the NZDF.



Chris joined the NZ Army as a Chaplain in 2007 and served 9 years in the Manawatu and now into his 7th year in Burnham. He has been deployed on Operations twice—Afghanistan 2007/8 and East Timor 2011/12—and one HADAR mission to Vanuatu in 2014 after the Cyclone Pam.



Due to COVID, the Parade was quite small, but Chris' wife, Rev Silvia Purdie, was able to be there.

### World Day of Prayer

Timaru Presbyterian Parish's World Day of Prayer service was held on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March at St Stephens Worship Centre at 2pm.

Seven Timaru Parishes were represented and participated in the Service entitled "I know the Plans I have for you". Women from England, Wales and Northern Ireland prepared the Service. Overheads of the respective Countries landmarks were brilliant for their colour.



### COMING UP

**Zoom WOF training:** starts 24th March for 3 Thursdays

**Presbytery Gathering:** 26 March (online)

**Pathways Taster Day, Nelson/Marlborough:** 19th May

### Newsletter Items

Please share this Newsletter around your Parish, especially with members of Session/Parish Council and all office bearers.

Details of events, or requests to be added to the distribution list, should be emailed to [gail@alpinepresbytery.org](mailto:gail@alpinepresbytery.org)

Items for inclusion in next week's Newsletter should be sent in by **Thursday 24th March.**



The Lords Prayer was sung by a Welsh Male Choir \*(via Overhead) - spectacular. After the Service, afternoon tea was served and it was noticeable the genuine friendship amongst the Parishes.



## News from Partner and Other Organisations

### Coaching Course for Christian Leaders

**21st- 23rd July 2022 from 9:30am—5:00pm, at St Albans Baptist Church, 64 McFaddens Rd, Christchurch, led by Rev Christine Harding. Cost \$210pp**

*A course for those interested in ministry and wanting to multiply their impact.*

This 3 day course uses the COACH Model and incorporates a faith-based perspective to serve Christian leaders. It incorporates the best of adult learning practices — with self-directed, communal, experiential learning where discussion, practice and application are maximised.

Find out more on by downloading the flyer here: [Coaching for Christian Leaders](#)

For more information regarding the background of this course go to [www.creativeresultsmanagement.com](http://www.creativeresultsmanagement.com)

### From the last Newsletter

- Hanmer Working Bee
- Whānau Friendly Process— introductory video
- Zoom WOF Training

### Online Worship Options

Listed below are various remote worship options from parishes within our Presbytery.

If your church's offering is not listed below and you would like it included, please email details to [gail@alpinepresbytery.org](mailto:gail@alpinepresbytery.org)

Parish	Link to online worship
Christchurch - Bishopdale	<a href="http://www.stmargaretschurch.org.nz/a/">http://www.stmargaretschurch.org.nz/a/</a>
Christchurch - Cashmere (goes	<a href="http://www.cashmerechurch.org.nz/online-worship">http://www.cashmerechurch.org.nz/online-worship</a>
Christchurch— Hope Presbyterian	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/HopePresbyterianChurch/featured">https://www.youtube.com/c/HopePresbyterianChurch/featured</a>
Christchurch - Knox (goes live at 10am on Sundays)	<a href="http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/news.html">http://www.knoxchurch.co.nz/news.html</a>
Christchurch —Linwood Ave Union Church	<a href="http://www.lauc.org.nz">www.lauc.org.nz</a>
Christchurch - St Martins: Meeting ID: 815 0869 6154; Passcode: 712158	<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81508696154?pwd=cnErZFM5VG50QVhsZkxYc0dxOHdvUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81508696154?pwd=cnErZFM5VG50QVhsZkxYc0dxOHdvUT09</a>
Christchurch—St Paul's Trinity Pacific (live at 11am Sundays)	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsTrinityPacific">https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsTrinityPacific</a>
Christchurch - The Village	contact <a href="mailto:tracey@villagechurch.nz">tracey@villagechurch.nz</a> to be put on the list that gets sent the service link
Nelson - Whakatū Presbyterian-	<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3188173979?">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3188173979?</a>
Timaru Presbyterian Parish—	<a href="https://youtu.be/kWPhefcX7_Y?">https://youtu.be/kWPhefcX7_Y?</a>
Waimate - Knox	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/Knox.Waimate">https://www.facebook.com/Knox.Waimate</a>

Dropbox link for documents mentioned in this newsletter can be accessed via this link (control & click, or copy & paste the link to your browser):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5k528skz4niqhg/AABDjLatKUt2-C2reVHA6hVza?dl=0>

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### Resources

A selection of resources and links to resources to assist you with your work and outreach can be found on our website here: [alpinepresbytery.org/resources/](http://alpinepresbytery.org/resources/)

### Alpine Presbytery Culture & Strategic Framework

[Click here](#) to download this document, updated September

### Presbytery Directory

If you need to obtain information from the Presbytery Directory, please initially ask your Parish Office as they have been given a log-on to Infoodle.

If you do have a need for your own logon access, send your request to Gail at [gail@alpinepresbytery.org](mailto:gail@alpinepresbytery.org).

Please do bear in mind, though, that we need to be aware of our obligations under the Privacy Act.