



Alpine Presbytery

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Hope West Melton

Saturday 21st May was the official opening of Hope West Melton's new building, with PCANZ Moderator, Rt Rev Hamish Galloway cutting the ribbon! Here are a few photos of the day.



Coming Up

Pathways Programme: Blenheim, 9th June

Recycle/Upcycle Market Day: Timaru, 18th June

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/

Online Worship Options

Visit the "Resources" page of our website to view the links from those of our churches offering this.

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

Items for inclusion in next week's Newsletter should be sent in by **Thursday 2nd June.**



Easter Sunday Sunrise Service on the Beach

Timaru Presbyterian Parish have a tradition on Easter Sunday Sunrise Service on the Beach.

The original service on the beach at Caroline Bay was not at Easter but one led by The Rev Glenn Barclay, then minister at Chalmers Church, and was the concluding session of a Spiritual Growth Group which she led. A brief service with reading, song and prayer concluded with the sharing of BBQ fish and bread.

On Easter Sunday for several years Chalmers parishioners joined with the congregation of St. David's Union Parish for their Sunrise Service and shared breakfast. When St. David's parish situation changed, the Chalmers Session made the decision to continue with a dawn service on Easter Sunday. Taking inspiration from Rev Glenn, the sunrise service and breakfast of fish and bread rolls on the beach began, led by the then minister of Chalmers, The Rev Peter Wishart.



The Easter Sunday Sunrise Service and breakfast on the beach at Caroline Bay continues to be well supported and a meaningful time and place to greet the day as we celebrate Christ's resurrection.

Pastoral Care role at New Brighton Union Parish

New Brighton Union Parish is seeking a lay or ordained person for 10 hours a week to offer pastoral care and spiritual leadership to its members and community group attendees, lead or coordinate a regular Bible Study, attend monthly management meetings, and assist in preparing a preaching plan.

The successful applicant will have a teachable spirit, excellent listening skills, be compassionate and spiritually mature. Experience in relating to older people is an advantage. Driver's license and vehicle is a must.

Office space, administrative support and phone is provided at the Parish complex in New Brighton.

The term is initially for 2 years. Remuneration will be by way of a minimum hourly rate of the living wage negotiated depending on experience and skill base.

Applications close on Wednesday 22nd June

Applicants need to email their CV and covering letter to the Parish Administrator at:
nbunionparish@methodist.org.nz

Lead Pastor Ministry Vacancy—Hope Presbyterian

Hope Presbyterian Church has a vacancy for a full-time Lead Pastor.

Hope Presbyterian is a multi-site church situated in and around the Southwest of Christchurch New Zealand. There are approximately 800 people in worship each week across its sites at Hornby, West Melton/Halkett and Rolleston.

We are looking for someone to provide the key leadership in our church's mission and vision. This role will have primary responsibility for:

- Pointing and encouraging Hope Church, and those in it, to Christlikeness, love of God and sacrificial service to our communities.
- Leading Hope's Core Leadership Team.
- Preaching and Teaching Development and Mentoring.
- Maintaining relationships with the wider Presbyterian Church.
- Personal spiritual growth and welfare.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has a vibrant, authentic Christian faith leaning on God's strength and understanding.
- Is an experienced ordained minister with an evangelical theological outlook, with openness to the charismatic expression.
- Has outstanding and engaging preaching and teaching skills that reaches across the generational divide.
- Possesses strong leadership and people management skills expressed in a servant leadership model, and can operate effectively in a team environment
- Thinks strategically and can cast a God-inspired vision that captures the imagination.
- Identifies with the values and ethos of Hope Presbyterian as outlined above and in the Hope Presbyterian Church Guiding Principles. (Available on request).
- Has led a growing church.
- Preferably has experience in a multi-site environment.

Standard PCANZ terms of call, are offered, including seniority allowance.

Expressions of interest are invited and can be made to the convenor of the Ministry Settlement Board, Rev Anne Stewart anne@villagechurch.nz, who will provide further details. Applications are then invited and these will close on **1 July 2022**.

News from Partner and Other Organisations

Sister Eveleen Retreat House

It's been great to welcome some humble Presbyterians to join others on retreat at the Sister Eveleen Retreat House on the hill above Sumner. The retreats we run are live-in opportunities with 5-6 others to take a break from 'normal', and spend time drawing closer to God and your 'true self'. Meals and accommodation are provided. Recent weekend retreats have been focused on Meister Eckhart, Julian of Norwich, and St Hildegard of Bingen.

We've got some great retreats coming up, with one planned on average every fortnight.

- **3 - 5 June:** Autumn Writing Retreat
- **17 - 19 June:** Mid-Winter Silent Retreat
- **1 - 3 July:** Creative Play to Nourish the Soul
- **15 - 17 July (TBC):** Centering Prayer Retreat
- **22 - 24 July:** Francis and Clare: Saints of Assisi
- **5 - 7 Aug:** Introduction to Christian Contemplation

If you'd like to come up to Sister Eveleen, either as a casual guest or on one of our retreats, get in touch or book in through the website. We're also interested to hear from any church groups who might like to host a retreat with us.

For more information and to register for a retreat, check out the website: <https://www.sistereretreat.com/events>

Hospital Chaplain General Health (Full Time)

Southern DHB, Dunedin Hospital

For more information, go to: <https://www.seek.co.nz/job/56781338>

To be considered, please submit a CV, Cover Letter, and Application form.

Applications close: 4pm, Friday 17th June 2022.

Situations Vacant - EfM Board Members

Passionate about Quality Christian Education?

The EfM (Education for Ministry) NZ Trust Board is seeking to broaden its membership.

Education for Ministry is an ecumenical adult learning programme designed to link Christian faith with daily life, and to deepen Christian discipleship. It combines scholarly and systematic Bible study and education in theology and church history, with small group worship, prayer and fellowship. An international programme, we have been active for 40+ years in Aotearoa New Zealand, with a major revision of material in 2014 including a local church history module.

EfM NZ is established as a Charitable Trust, and the board is seeking new members to provide governance and to support our Executive Officer and our network of trainers and mentors. The current board members are all

experienced clergy and we would love to be joined by volunteer ecumenical partners with skills in governance, HR, fundraising or marketing. We meet quarterly, mainly by Zoom.

More information about EfM can be found at <http://www.efm.org.nz/>, or to express interest in board membership, please contact our chair the Rev'd Leanne Munro at leannemunro55@gmail.com

Study Theology at the University of Otago

The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers many opportunities for the study of Theology, Biblical Studies, Church History, Ministry, and Pastoral Theology (including Chaplaincy). You can study either on-campus or across Aotearoa New Zealand through our distance study programme. We are committed to serving Christian communities throughout the country.

Semester 2 starts on July 11th and new enrolments are due by June 25th.

For details of papers go to: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/>

To enrol go to <https://www.otago.ac.nz/study/enrolment/>

To keep up to date, like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/theologyotago

From the last Newsletter

- Online Ethics Workshop—22nd June
- Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy (IHC)



RECYCLE OR MARKET DAY

Saturday 18 June! STARTING AT 9AM AT
Trinity Community Centre, 22 College Rd Timaru

Available: Stall for \$20 Car boot for \$10

Too Much stuff? each stall responsible for own table, stock, float and removal of leftovers.
ph Dawn 686 0595,
Bev 686 1207 or
Helen 684 6403 / 021 768 973

The poster features the word 'RECYCLE' in large, colorful, textured letters, with 'OR' in purple. Below it, 'MARKET DAY' is written in purple. The text provides details for a Saturday market on June 18th at the Trinity Community Centre. It lists stall and car boot fees, and includes a cartoon illustration of a woman with a shopping cart and the text 'Too Much stuff?'. Contact information for Dawn, Bev, and Helen is provided at the bottom.

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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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.

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

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Culture & Strategic Framework

[Click here](#) to download this document, updated September 2020