

Alpine Presbytery

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Newsletter 28th July 2022

Cut off for items for inclusion in next Newsletter is **Thursday 4th August**

Advance Notice:

Hope Women Conference 2022

"The darkness does not win - God does!"

Friday 9th September, 7pm, and Saturday 10th September, 9am-4.30pm, at Hope Presbyterian Church, Hornby

Cost: Friday Only \$10
Saturday Only \$30
Full Weekend \$40

Friday evening dessert and Saturday morning and afternoon tea provided. BYO lunch.

10% discount if registering 2 or more.

There will be a mixture of input in terms of world class speakers via video for main sessions and then local people sharing in the workshops. Workshops will include some topics of mental health and wellbeing.

For more information contact esther.sabey@hopechurch.net.nz

Registrations will open early August on our website : hopechurch.net.nz

Coming Up

Cashmere Conference:
Friday 29 July

**St Andrew's, Blenheim,
Garden Tour:**
15 & 16 October

Hope Women's Conference:
9th & 10th September

From the last Newsletter

- **Recycle/Upcycle day at Timaru**
- **Dedication of St Ninian's**
- **Cashmere Conference**
- **Job Vacancies:**
**Executive Pastor, Hope
Office Administrator at
The Village Bryndwr**
- **The latest Youth Ministry Buzz**

Notes from Presbytery Council meeting held 28 July, on Zoom

Present at the meeting were: Rev Phyllis Harris (Moderator), Christine Arnold, Maureen Bishop, Rev Rory Grant, Lyn Heine, Jason King, Ann McMillan, Rev Jon Parkes, Brent Richardson, and Rev Martin Stewart (Executive Officer).

The Moderator, Rev Phyll Harris, opened the meeting with devotions and prayer.

Devotions: Phyll reflected on authenticity and how it is more than simply being our true selves, in that our authenticity is to flow from who we are in Christ.

Conflicts of Interest: Martin identified a conflict in relation to the Call to Rev Anne Stewart. Christine, as part of The Village Church, stood apart from the voting.

The **Minutes** of the Presbytery Council meeting held on 23rd June 2022 were ratified as was an email resolution establishing a Commission.

The Moderator's Report: Phyll Harris mentioned attending the induction of Rev Eric Mattock at St Andrew's, Ashburton on Sunday 3 of July. With Martin she attended a conversation with the elders of one of our smaller churches as they work through some challenges. She was unable to attend the opening of St. Ninian's strengthened building but sent a letter of encouragement and congratulations from Presbytery which the Interim Moderator, Hugh Perry, read on the day.

The Executive Officer Report: Martin reported on

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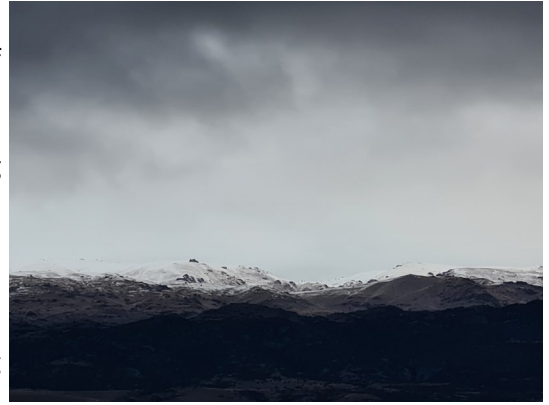
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a variety of aspects of his work including EO Zooms, New Brighton Union interviews and appointment of a Pastoral Worker, Induction of Rev Eric Mattock, supervision, catching up with various colleagues one on one, staff planning, recording an interview with Malcolm Gordon on change and strategy, attending the Minister's lunch, attending Resourcing & HR, participating in the Pathways review, establishing a Presbytery Commission, convening the Insurance work group (Wellington), dodging Covid, and having a week of leave in Central Otago ahead of the Presbytery Retreat!



Cloudy July sky near Bendigo

- Martin signalled that some work is beginning on the ongoing development of Presbytery strategic directions building on the existing Cultural & Strategic Framework
- Council acknowledged the exemplary work of Ann McMillan around the closure of St Georges-Iona and the handing over to the St Andrew's NMS project
- Council agreed to Ann McMillan being an associate member of Presbytery and the convenorship of Property & Finance being a full voting member of Presbytery Council (Ann had been the Presbytery elder from the now-closed St Georges-Iona Church)

Human Resources: Lyn Heine reported and Council approved

- Wairau Parish wanting to explore a Local Ministry Team model. A process will get underway with a Zoom conference and a request for an MSB. Rev Jon Parkes has agreed to be convenor for this
- St Martins have requested an MSB to be established
- The positive one-year review of the new ministry established with Rev Dr Mary Caygill at Kaiapoi Union
- The appointment of Ian Davidson as Interim Moderator at St Luke's, Nelson
- Endorsing the Communion training at the Waimate Parish for four of its members
- The study leave applications for Revs Jon Parkes, Brent Richardson, and Darryl Tempero April – June 2023
- Recognizing Rev Sheena Dickson as a minister in good standing following the closure of St Georges Iona

Property & Finance: Ann McMillan reported and Council approved

- the Alpine Financial Statements for the period ended 30th June 2022
- the revised capital ratio for Crossway Community Church as submitted in July 2022 following the removal of EQ monies by the Presbyterian partner; being 66.9% Methodist and 33.1% Presbyterian

Resourcing: Rory reported and Council approved

- an application to apply to the Alpine Mission Fund for funds to cover 20% of funding for the Pathways Programme in 2023
- supporting Cashmere Church to apply to PressGo for funds to cover 80% of the Pathways Programme

Correspondence

- The report of the PSUSI East Christchurch Kaumatua Services was received and the invoice for the next tranche of funding was approved
- The appointment of Mr Don McFarlane as a Presbytery representative to the Board of Presbyterian Support South Canterbury was approved

Other business

- Council welcomed Rev Kathryn Walters and Margaret Johnson to receive the call of Rev Anne Stewart from The Village Church to a part-time ministry at St David's Union Church in Timaru. This was approved. The induction service is likely to be on 2 October
- Council agreed to establish a governance council for the St Andrew's Eastside New Mission Seedling that includes three Presbytery representatives
- As Council looks to prepare possible names for the Alpine representative to the Council of Assembly, it is intended that whoever is appointed will become as associate member of Presbytery Council

The next monthly Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday 25th August 2022 via Zoom

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.

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Culture & Strategic Framework
[Click here](#) to download this document, updated September 2020

Job Vacancies

Parish Enabler Opportunity

The Co-operating Parish of Pukaki is centered in the rural town of Twizel and seeks a Parish Enabler (0.1FTE).

Pukaki's Mission Statement is: "Called to be Christ in our Community." The Parish embraces Every-Member Ministry. There is an opportunity for an experienced minister to give oversight & guidance to this vibrant ecumenical ministry.

Are you a dedicated biblical teacher, a person who will help lead and work with the existing team, a good communicator, and a person able to get on with a variety of others who will help our church continue to serve our community? Do you share a similar passion for Jesus, a heart for people and a desire to preach the Word? We invite you to consider contacting us and expressing your interest.

We are serious about being an ecumenical church family, wanting to reach families and individuals in our community and to minister effectively to those families already part of the church. We need leadership and encouragement to fulfil our potential in this area.

For enquiries or a Parish Profile, contact Grant Thompson grant.thompson.twizel@gmail.com or the Bishops Executive Assistant, Veronica Cross on bishopsea@anglicanlife.org.nz or 03-348-6701

Principal: Knox Centre for Ministry & Leadership

Applications are invited for the position of principal at the Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership in Dunedin, New Zealand.

A brief overview of the work of the Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership and a copy of the job description can be found at: www.presbyterian.org.nz/seeking-new-principal-for-knox-centre-of-ministry-leadership

The closing date for applications is **19 August 2022**.

Johnsonville Uniting Church: Full-Time Minister

Are you looking for a change or a new calling? We have a fantastic opportunity for an ordained minister in the beautiful suburb of Johnsonville in Wellington.

JUC is a congregation with a vibrant mixture of theological and spiritual viewpoints, backgrounds, cultures and ages.

Are you energetic? Are you able to work with us as we connect with the people of the JUC, our community and surrounding parishes? Could you walk with us as we explore our use of Te Reo Māori? Then let's talk.

Contact the MSB Convenor at MSB@JUC.org.nz before or on the closing date of **10 August 2022**

News from Partner & Other Organisations

Alpha Coaches

Alpha are wanting to hire Regional Coaches in Otago & Southland, Canterbury, Wellington, and Auckland.

Each role is 30 hours a week. Regional coaches outside of Auckland work remotely, but there are opportunities to train with and work alongside other members of Alpha's fabulous staff team.

To find out more, go to www.alpha.org.nz/vacancies/

FILM FESTIVALLETTE



MISSION FILM & FOOD NIGHT

Thursday 29 September, 6—8.30pm

Laidlaw College, 70 Condell Ave, Papanui

The question of how do we live as Christians in multi-religious contexts is of growing importance in Aotearoa NZ. Gather to watch a documentary from Nigeria about an Iman and priest who, through their friendship, grow peace in their communities. With help from people engaged in this area, we'll wrestle together with the questions brought up by the film.

Suggested koha of \$5 student/unwaged, \$10 waged (payable on the night by cash/efpos).

RSVP at: www.laidlaw.ac.nz/events/redeeming-the-screen-chch/

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

Presbytery Directory

All Parish Offices have been given a log-on to Infoodle, so please contact them initially if you need any contact details.

Due to our obligations under the Privacy Act, logon access is not openly available; anyone wanting this should send a request to Gail at gail@alpinepresbytery.org, advising of their position in their Parish or the Presbytery.