

Alpine Presbytery

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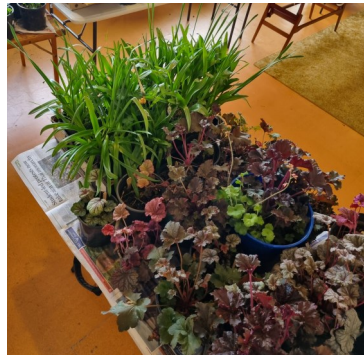
Newsletter 20th October 2022

Cut off for items for inclusion in next Newsletter is **Thursday 27th October**

Plants 4 U Rakaia

This annual fundraising sale was held on Saturday 1st October and, as in previous years, there was a great crowd of gardening enthusiasts waiting at the St Andrew's door at 9:00am ready to view and buy many buds and flowers. There are many loyal supporters who arrive every year and really make the plant fair worthwhile. Special thanks to Jan, Millwood Nursery Van Zanten Bulbs and to the Rakaia Community for the many interesting garden produce items which found their way into the hall. The money raised from this event will help to support ministry and pastoral care in the Rakaia community.

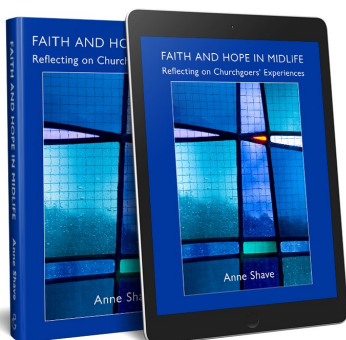
Here are some photos from the set-up of the sale.



Book Launch

Anne Shave has just published "*Faith and Hope in Midlife: Reflecting on Churchgoers' Experiences*". Based on interviews with churchgoers from Presbyterian, Anglican and Catholic congregations, and conversations with clergy and spiritual directors, this book explores the experiences of Christians in midlife and considers ways that churches can support people in this life stage. At the end of each chapter there are questions for personal reflection or group discussion, and recommendations of relevant resources.

The **book launch** will be held on **Thursday 3rd November at 7pm** at Cashmere Presbyterian Church (2 MacMillan Avenue, Christchurch). All are welcome. Books will be available to purchase (using Eftpos, internet banking or cash) for \$30. Please contact Anne Shave if you would like to attend, or would like a copy of the book: shavea6@gmail.com



You can download the flyer about the book here: www.dropbox.com/s/ayzblajlnrhi6j/Faith%20and%20Hope%20in%20Midlife%20flyer.pdf?dl=0

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The Village Presbyterian Church, Papanui invites you to an exhibition of art, craft, writing and movement therapy. November 5th and 6th, 10am to 3pm. A wonderful collaboration between three diverse groups of adults and children, celebrating their sense of belonging in our community centre space, and their creative expression! Come along and be wowed by the talent and while you're here we would love you to buy a raffle ticket or two. All proceeds from the weekend will go to support the work of the Champion Centre in Burwood.

TŌ MĀTOU WĀHI
OUR PLACE
ART EXHIBITION 2022

SAT 05 – SUN 06 NOV
10.00AM – 3.00PM

THE VILLAGE
460 PAPANUI RD (CNR FRANK ST)

painting, craft, writing, movements
 Free entry, Hoha appreciated
 by Creative Nest, Sharon's Art Studio, Dance & Arts Therapy NZ

Church Hymnary 4

Does anyone have a full music copy of this book that they no longer need and might be willing to pass it on to Cashmere Presbyterian Church?

If so, please contact Gail—phone 03 332 7129, email cashmere.church@xtra.co.nz

Resources

A selection of resources and links to resources to assist you with your work and outreach can be found on our website here:

Online Worship Options

Visit the “Resources” page of our website to view the links from those of our churches offering

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

**ST NINIAN’S CHURCH
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 * **It’s a celebration**  *
 * **With Flowers** *
 * **An expression of** *
 * **gratitude for the post earthquake** *
 * **restoration of** *
 * **Riccarton’s**  *
 * **historic stone** *
 * **church.** *
 * **A Plant stall on site** *

FREE ENTRY
Enjoy our church and floral displays
Friday 28th Oct 1pm—3.30pm
Saturday 29th Oct 11am—3pm
Sunday Worship 30th Oct 9.30 am

The Marse
OPENING

COME CELEBRATE THE JOURNEY
SATURDAY, NOV 26TH

3 JOLLIES PASS ROAD
 HANMER SPRINGS

11AM-2PM | BBQ & LIVE MUSIC

BRING A PLATE
 RSVP TO PIP 021 223 7886

News from Partner & Other Organisations

Te Raranga Leaders Lunch: Connecting Gospel and Creation

Thursday 10 November, 12-2pm
Linwood Union Church,
 378 Linwood Avenue, Christchurch
 (parking off Tilford St)
 Koha invited.

BYO lunch – drinks and snacks provided

Speaker: Rev. Silvia Purdie, with James Beck

Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/844181223679851>

What is God's heart for the created world? How might the Spirit be leading us in a changing climate?

A chance to relax and connect, and to engage with creation and climate as Christian leaders. Silvia Purdie will share her journey and prophetic challenge and there will be space for discussion.

For the past 5 years Silvia has led the Christchurch local group of A Rocha, a global Christian mission agency caring for creation. During this time the world has started to experience the effects of global warming, including massive mental health impacts on young people. Silvia has researched, initiated and invited the church to respond to God's call to incorporate creation care in our life and mission - including the launch of Eco Church NZ - and published *Awahi Mai Awahi Atu: Women in Creation Care*.

No need to register, just come along.

Coming Up

Floral Celebrations, St Ninian's, Christchurch:
 28-30 October

The One Conference
 17-19 November, in Wellington

The Manse Opening:
 26 November, Hanmer Springs

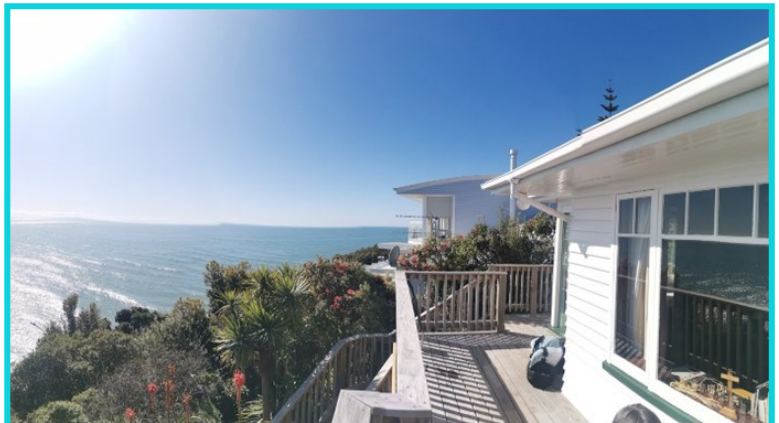
From the last Newsletter

- **Thinking about Co-Governance**
- **Just move, don't think about it!**
- **The One Conference—17-19 November, in Wellington.**

Request from Presbyterian Support

17-year-old Yasmine* (A Presbyterian Support client) is in desperate need of short-term housing in Christchurch. She is very academic and wants to do well in her final year at school so she can attend university next year. She must leave her current temporary accommodation at the start of November, so she needs alternative accommodation until university begins in February. She is unable to live at home and Youth Services emergency housing is unfortunately not a safe option for her.

If you or someone you know can help, please contact Kirsten Lloyd-Scott at Presbyterian Support on 0800 477 874, or kirstenl@psusi.org.nz



 **SISTER EVELEEN**
 RETREAT HOUSE

Sister Eveleen Retreat House is a Christian Retreat House with spectacular views of Pegasus Bay, Christchurch. We run regular guided retreats and are available for group bookings and casual retreat accommodation. The perfect place for a spiritual getaway this summer.

Rooms available from **\$60.50 per night**

To book or for more information
 check out our website:
www.sistereretreat.com



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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.