

Alpine Presbytery

resourcing the braided river

Newsletter 26th January 2023

Cut off for items for inclusion in next Newsletter is **Thursday 2nd February**

LINWOOD AVENUE UNION CHURCH

1972 - 2022

JUBILEE MARKET

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

SATURDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2023
1:30pm - 4:00pm

Treasure Table Jewellery

Cakes & Sweets

Pot plants Fresh flowers

Devonshire tea

Craft

Fruit & Vegetable packs

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

378 Linwood Ave
Corner of Linwood Ave & Tilford Street
Both Cash & Eftpos are available

Original paintings and High Quality prints by local artist Lorraine Jacobs

Devonshire Tea

Moderator: Rev Phyll Harris
moderator@alpinepresbytery.org
Phone 027 352 7886

Executive Officer: Rev Martin Stewart:
executiveofficer@alpinepresbytery.org
Phone: 021 308 519

Resource Team Leader
Abi Trevathan: abi@alpinepresbytery.org
Phone: 027 339 6006

Youth & Young Adults Enabler
Rev Sage Harris: youth@alpinepresbytery.org
Phone: 027 356 0740

Treasurer: Christine Arnold
treasurer@alpinepresbytery.org

Office Support: Gail Weaver
gail@alpinepresbytery.org

VACANCIES

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton

Full-time minister

We are looking for a minister to lead and inspire the congregation of St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton. St Andrew's is a central city church, situated across the river from Hamilton's CBD. It has a significant history of multicultural ministry, which is continuing to develop. The minister will be working in a team ministry alongside the full-time minister of the Korean congregation of St Andrew's and will primarily be responsible for the Kiwi congregation of St Andrew's.

We need a minister who will lead the congregation as we participate in God's mission, encourage the active leadership in the congregation, resource people in deepening their faith journey and support pastoral care.

For a parish profile and other related information please contact the Convenor of the Ministry Settlement Board, Rev. Sharon Ross Ensor, sharon.rossensor@gmail.com.

You can find out more about St Andrew's at: www.standrewshamilton.org.nz

Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand Special General Meeting

Following declining membership of PWANZ in recent years a motion was put at the 2021 AGM that a Futures Review group be formed to consider ways forward for PWANZ as a group. From that group a recommendation was put at the PWANZ AGM on 24 September 2022 that PWANZ be closed down. The following recommendation was moved and accepted by those present at the AGM

Recommendation: *That Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand (PWANZ) be closed down. In liaison with the National Executive all Parishes to be notified that their support for our continuing mission in Aotearoa are welcome but the current model of the organisation is unsustainable. The Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council will lapse.*

To progress this recommendation, which has brought up a significant number of issues (outlined below), a **Special General Meeting** is required, and this will be held **on 25 February 2023 at St John's in the City, Wellington.**

Issues include:

- Ageing membership & declining finances (currently only 111 financial members)
- Vacancies on Executive (including President)
- How to maintain a woman's voice with the Presbyterian Church, especially at a local level
- Lapsing of Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council
- Loss of a dedicated missional outlook

For further information, please contact Ruth Steven (pwanz2016@gmail.com, phone 022 09628811) or Mary Gibbs (mary@mrgibbs.co.nz, phone 04 383 8446/027 3143188)

Download the Registration form for the meeting here: [PWANZ SGM Registration](#)

"Becoming Pākehā"

an evening with John Bluck

Transitional Cathedral, Thursday 2nd February, 7.30pm

You are invited to come and hear John Bluck, retired Anglican Bishop, speak about growing up and living in this land, and about looking forward to the future we can all help create. He recently released a book called "Becoming Pākehā, A journey between two cultures" that many have found very helpful in shaping this ongoing bi-cultural/multicultural conversation. A koha will be taken on the night.

John's story has its share of pain, and at the same time, it is full of good humor and hope.

This is a Te Raranga presentation. Te Raranga is an Interchurch Network, supported by almost all churches in Christchurch.

Brother Peter Bray FSC in Christchurch

Brother Peter is the Kiwi Vice-Chancellor of Bethlehem University and will speak on **Thursday 2 February, 7.30pm** at the **Villa Maria College Auditorium**. Br Peter will

provide a brief historical perspective and the impact the situation is having on Israelis and Palestinians and particularly the students at Bethlehem University. He will consider what justice issues are involved and what needs to happen for peace to come. All are welcome.

In preparation for the tour, he is making three videos; the second has just been issued. It is very powerful: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R17kia53-GY>

Download the poster here: [Br Peter Bray](#)

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.

Alpine Presbytery

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



Office space available

Office space available for 2023 for like-minded people/organisations/business, 75 Hansons Lane Upper Riccarton.

- Hot desk or dedicated room (space for 4-5 people).
- Meeting room also available for booking
- Wifi, power and desk included
- Plenty of off street parking
- Lovely garden to take a break in
- Stairs only access (room available is top right in the photo).



Email Darryl, d.tempero@xtra.co.nz
or call 027 5560055 if interested



Coming Up

Shirley Murray Seminar: 29 January, Christchurch

Linwood Avenue Union Church Jubilee Market:
11 February

Child Protection WOF Training: 18 February, Christchurch

Presbytery Gathering: 3—4 March, Kaikoura

From the last Newsletter

- **Mary Stanton**
- **Home Share hosts needed—PSUSI**
- **Vacancies:**
 - * **Eastern Bay of Plenty Presbyterian Parish: Part Time Ministry Position**
 - * **St James New Plymouth: Ministry Leader**

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.