

Alpine Presbytery

resourcing the braided river

Newsletter 20th July 2023

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

Coracle: An Invitation to Wander and Wonder

10-12 August,

Hanmer Springs Memorial Hall, 1 Jollies Pass Rd

Are you seeking answers to questions about the Church, its mission, and the future? Do you find yourself wondering about what lies ahead and where we currently stand? Do you find yourself wondering about what could be and where we are now? Alpine Presbytery, the Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership (KCML) and PressGo invite you to join us on a collective journey of exploration and contemplation.

Cost: \$95 per person.

More details at alpinepresbytery.org/coracle/

GARDENERS – 11 lovely gardens to enjoy...

St Andrew's Garden Tour – Blenheim

14 & 15th October from 10am – 4pm

Cream teas, filled rolls and cream cakes available
plus pickles and jam stall, plant and Christmas & craft stall.

Tickets on sale at various garden centres in Blenheim and St Andrew's Church Office (open 9am – 12 noon, ph 03-578 7119) – cash sales only.

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An Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality

Saturday 26th August, 9am–12:30pm.

Facilitator: Dr Anne Shave.

Venue: Te Manawa Atawhai – Catherine McAuley Centre – at Villa Maria College, Upper Riccarton.

Register: Rosary House roho@xtra.co.nz or ph: 03 379 1298

If you have heard about Ignatian spirituality and would like to know more about it, you may find this introduction to Ignatius and his wisdom helpful and encouraging. If you are already familiar with Ignatian spirituality and would like to spend a morning with others as a 'refresher,' or simply to spend some time in prayer, you would also be very welcome.

Suggested koha \$20, but do not let cost be a barrier to attending.

If you can, please read this article from the Jesuit Institute before attending. This will form the basis for our first discussion. "St Ignatius of Loyola: The Man and his Spirit." <https://jesuitinstitute.org/Resources/Ignatius%20of%20Loyola.pdf>

Investing for Mission Impact

Conference on Social Enterprise and the PCANZ, held during the day preceding the evening opening of GA23, Wednesday 27 September, 9.30am – 4.30pm, St Columba Presbyterian Church Botany Auckland

Despite talk of financial struggle and decline in the church, most religious institutions have more resources than they know. This conference is an invitation to explore innovation, possibility and hope in utilising those hidden resources – property, investments, people and passion – that is available right now to revitalise churches as well as their surrounding communities. Hosted by the Moderator of the PCANZ, Hamish Galloway, Convenor of Resource Sub Committee PCANZ, Craig Donaldson, and the Executive Officer of the Presbyterian Church Property Trustees, Russell Garrett

Come to listen, learn and be inspired to action around ...

- Biblical principles underpinning social enterprise
- Compelling examples social enterprise action and opportunities
- Practical ingredients that make social enterprises work
- Interactive panel discussion
- Workshopping ideas for your context

The cost of the day is \$25.

You can register at: forms.gle/S9637XZdTJgPq168

Download the flyer at <https://tinyurl.com/547xw5a7>

PWANZ Bush Fire July 23

You can read the July Bush Fire at:

www.presbyterian.org.nz/sites/default/files/apw/bushfire/BushFire%20July%202023-1.pdf

Items of interest inside July's Bush Fire

- PWANZ update
- Lost but now Found
- Finances
- PWANZ at GA 23
- Milestone occasion for fireside group
- Faaolataga Leasi
- Rae Simpson
- Who are your Working Group

Rev Rose Luxford has written a closure devotion for all PWANZ gatherings to use and adapt as best meets the differing choices of each group, and this can be downloaded at: www.presbyterian.org.nz/sites/default/files/apw/bushfire/PWANZ%20Devotion%20-%20Rev%20Rose%20Luxford-1.pdf

From Last Week's Newsletter

- St Andrews, Blenheim, Garden Tour
- Asteroid 32150
- St Andrew's, Ashburton reopening
- Minister: Motueka Uniting Parish
- Current vacancies at ICHC
- "Bridging the Gap" Seminar

Coming Up

Presbytery Retreat:
20th - 22nd July in Hanmer Springs

Coracle:
10th - 11th August in Hanmer Spring
Reopening of St Andrew's, Ashburton:
20th August

Plant Sale, St Stephen's Timaru:
16th September

St Andrew's, Blenheim, Garden Tour:
14th & 15th October

Halkett Presbyterian Church
150th Celebration: 15th October

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 Infodile, 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.

VACANCIES

Youth Enabler Vacancy

Alpine Presbytery are seeking to employ a Christchurch based Youth Enabler. We are seeking a motivated individual to foster and cultivate a nurturing environment for aspiring and current youth workers. The primary focus of this role is to provide guidance, support, and assistance to help these leaders establish thriving youth ministries. Through these ministries, young individuals will have the chance to strengthen their spiritual connection and deepen their faith in God.

The Associate Youth Enabler will work in collaboration with the Youth Enabler and Resource Team Leader. They will be under the oversight of the Alpine Presbytery Resourcing Committee.

This role is initially for 10 hours per week, with a review of hours to happen after 6 months. The successful candidate will be able to set their own hours of work and will be based in Ōtautahi (Christchurch). This role will be paid a living wage.

A full job description can be found here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zja599yCcUuaW0vI87Qzidgn5WVm80HXw0H1OxS0yxAJ/edit?usp=sharing>

To apply email resourcing@alpinepresbytery.org

Minister Full-time

Albany Presbyterian Church, in Auckland's North Shore, has a growing, grace-centred congregation, a sanctuary of peace and love. We have good church facilities.

With many in the congregation active in the life of the church, we have been led in thoughtful, contemplative worship and now wish to appoint a Minister who will encourage contemplative practices and support the gifts our congregation of different ages, backgrounds and ethnicities.

We are seeking to call someone who values a warm, family-friendly and inclusive faith-based fellowship. Albany is a popular area in Auckland that is close to shops and many attractive beaches. It offers a range of academically strong primary, intermediate and secondary schools, also a university campus.

If you would like further information on this opportunity to lead us into the next phase of our shared journey of faith, please contact our Convener of the MSB, Rev Werner Schroeder, minister@hbcpc.org.nz, 021956581

Bridging Hawkes Bay: Community Ministry Leader

To help in the healing of the people of Hawkes Bay, St Andrews Church, Hastings, have partnered with others to create a new community ministry: Bridging Hawkes Bay.

We are conscious that many of our flood affected neighbours are hurting, broken and lost and for some this will take many years to overcome.

As well as offering a ministry of presence and pastoral care to cyclone affected people, you will be recruiting, equipping and supporting a team of volunteers to go out into the community to connect, listen and support people who are struggling.

If you are:

- Passionate about embracing and sharing God's radical mission of love
- Excited about the mission and purpose of Bridging Hawkes Bay
- Energized by building relationships with people from all walks of life who are endeavouring to make sense of what has happened to them
- Keen to establish, equip and support a team of volunteers to offer Christ's love to cyclone affected communities
- Eager to pioneer a new community ministry that may well evolve as the needs of the cyclone affected community change

...then maybe the Wairua Tapu is calling you to this role!

To find out more about this fulltime role please contact Rev Jill McDonald, jill@standrewshastings.org.nz, 0274070489

Applications close July 31st

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