

**PLANTS 4 U AT RAKAIA** on 30<sup>th</sup> September was a great day! Folks travelled from near and far to support the Plains Presbyterian Parish's annual plant sale at Rakaia. When the doors opened at 9am there was a rush of eager buyers. Popular items like strawberries, lily bulbs, native plants and hostas soon disappeared, but overall all plants sold well. All helpers are greatly appreciated, but special thanks go to Dorothy and her helpers. So many lovely plants and happy gardeners!



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#### This Weekend!

## GARDENERS – 11 lovely gardens to enjoy... St Andrew's Garden Tour – Planheim

St Andrew's Garden Tour – Blenheim
14 & 15<sup>th</sup> 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.





Eftpos available on site

## Another scam making the rounds

This time it is a text (which comes from an overseas number) purporting to be from Rev Phyll Harris asking for your "crucial and highly appreciated assistance"!

Please be alert to these scams, whoever it appears to come from, and do not engage. If in any doubt, contact the person on a known number or email.

## **PCANZ Ethics Workshop**

The next online Ethics and Risk Management Workshop is on Tuesday 14 November, 9am-12.30pm, and there are places available.

This may be the last one before February, so if you wish to register please contact Kate Wilson at kate@presbyterian.org.nz

# Invitation to Open Day at Sister Eveleen Retreat House

Come to Sister Eveleen Retreat House, enjoy the beautiful view and atmosphere. Meet our people, check out our programme and see what we can offer for you, your parish or your ministry team/group. And have a look at the retreat house, especially if you haven't been at Sister Eveleen for a while—our Annex has just been renovated recently

Open Days: Saturday 28th October and Sunday 29th October, 2-4pm. Refreshments and hot drinks are provided.

No RSVP is needed - just come. For map and location, go to <a href="https://www.sistereretreat.com">www.sistereretreat.com</a>

## Resources for planning a funeral after death by suicide

The Mental Health Foundation, in collaboration with a range of experienced Christian ministry leaders, including from our Presbyterian network, have developed some resources for those who may be leading or helping to plan a funeral/farewell after a death by suicide, or supporting a family/whānau bereaved by suicide to do this.

These booklets might be a helpful tool for you to know about—hopefully you'll never need to use them, but it might be good to know they're there. Suicide bereavement can be especially challenging for those grieving, and for those supporting them.

They are free to have delivered as hard copies or downloads.

Download the flyer with details about the resources here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/2p82v4c7">https://tinyurl.com/2p82v4c7</a>

**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 <a href="mail@alpinepresbytery.org">gail@alpinepresbytery.org</a>, advising of their position in their Parish or the Presbytery.

## **Current vacancies at ICHC**

All applications need to be submitted via the seek website.

Māori Chaplain (Part Time 0.6FTE),

Dunedin Hospital and Wakari Hospital,

Te Whatu Ora Southern.

www.seek.co.nz/job/70169155. Closes 4pm, Monday 16 October.

Hospital Chaplain (Part Time 0.5FTE),

Dunedin Hospital,

Te Whatu Ora Southern.

www.seek.co.nz/job/70169819. Closes 4pm, Monday 16 October.

Māori Chaplain (Part Time 0.8FTE), Christchurch, Christchurch Women's, Burwood, Hillmorton Hospitals, Te Whatu Ora Waitaha Canterbury.

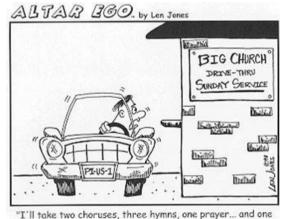
www.seek.co.nz/job/70695446. Closes 4pm, Friday 10 November.

Hospital Chaplain (Part Time 0.8FTE), Christchurch Hospital, Te Whatu Ora Waitaha Canterbury.

www.seek.co.nz/job/70695583. Closes 4pm, Friday 10 November.

### From the last Newsletter

- The Little Book of Advent
- Office Administrator: The Village Church and Community Centre
- Part time Community Role: Whareora House of Life
- Chaplain: Maclaurin Chapel within The University of Auckland
- Notes from Presbytery Council meeting



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## Is there Good News for People with Trauma?

A Headspace evening, with presenters Dr Jeremy Baker, Dr Gina Colvin-Rushiu, Lisia Ratima-Livesley

Speakers will look at trauma through various lenses: modern day interpretations of trauma; colonial history and the effects on Māori; the impact of Christianity and the Gospel; and our response to current events.

Venue: Laidlaw College, Christchurch; Date: Monday 30 October, 7pm

Cost: \$5.00 (supper provided)

RSVP: admin@heartspace.org.nz (for catering)



## You are invited to

PRESBYTERIAN SUPPORT
UPPER SOUTH ISLAND'S

# Annual General Meeting

Thursday 26 October, 5.00 pm start

Kanuka Room, Te Korowai, 44 Bealey Avenue, Christchurch

### Speakers

Andrew Johnston, Board Chair - Tangata Tiriti Rev. Dr Matthew Jack Knox Presbyterian Church Nadia Dick, Āwhina Mai Wellbeing Services - Team Leader

## Agenda

5.00pm Drinks and canapés 5.30pm Meeting commences 7.00pm Vote of thanks/closing

#### RSVP

Please RSVP by Friday 20 October to Pip Riley by telephone on 03 363 8201, or email pipr@psusi.org.nz





Download the Annual Report from psuppersouth.org.nz/assets/Publications/Annual-Report/Annual-Report-2022-23-Web-version.pdf

#### 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