

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We welcome this morning Rev. Peter Minson who will be preaching and offering Communion

We hope you find God's presence in the service today.

Orange Light! We are currently in Orange Light Covid19 regulations. Communion will include both elements, wine (or juice) and a wafer. The Peace will remain as a smile and wave, The offering bowls will now be passed around..

We recommend you continue to wear your face masks for everyone's safety.

Note: Vaccine Passports are no longer required.



Happy Mothers Day

To all our mothers, we wish you a blessed day today - thank you for all your love, caring, nursing, cooking, driving, encouragement, support and sacrifice over many years. Know that you are loved and remembered today.

Happy Birthday!

We extend our best birthday wishes to **David Hargreaves** celebrating on **Wednesday 11th of May.**



Rhythm 'n' Riggle: is back for the new term, **Tuesday 10 am at Christ the King Church.**



Good News!

We have received a \$1,500 grant from the Mangawhai Community Opportunity Shop Trust, to purchase a replacement laptop for Rhythm 'n' Riggle. Our grateful thanks go to John Sarah for organising the application form.

As war continues in Ukraine, several major charities continue their appeals for funds to help millions of displaced people. Please continue to pray for peace and donate as you are able to Christian World Service, World Vision and Save the Children New Zealand.



Church Library—new books

We have been gifted a number of books for the library so check them out. Book reviews welcome. In the meantime, if you like biographies, try 'John Wesley, A Revival Which Shaped History' and Susanna Wesley, 'Servant of God'.

Peter's Word

Every autumn we get thrust outside into the theological paddocks and hear Christ speaking of being the Good Shepherd. What's *not* heard is why Jesus focused on this 23rd Psalm.

It was his controversial healing of a rank outsider – a poor man whose blindness was blamed on him. The public always has to find somebody to blame. Look at the polls! Or the poor or unwell folk who beg outside my supermarket: "must be their own fault" goes the public script.

The successful copers in society are the modern gate-keepers. But Jesus declared gate-keepers irrelevant. He said that *he* is the gate, and the gate is open. That goes for church, too.

The lockdowns underline this. In 200 years, there had never been a way for any lost sheep with a mobile phone to peek into church without having to get through the front door. But on-line church at times drew three or four times the public that my previous parish sees in person. Viewers didn't have to be there when we clergy said so. Or sit when we sat or sing when we sang. Or agree with *my* bleating on!

It's not surprising that the anxious lambs began testing the waters of on-line church. This is still a time of high anxiety. People are looking for something to hold on to as the trusted foundations are shaken. And even if the gated island nation of Aotearoa New Zealand is no longer so afraid of Covid19, people still are afraid - scared about housing, the cost of living, climate change, the flu ... so it's no surprise that many are still tuning in to the open electronic gate to God. Now's not the time for churches to stop live-streaming.

The challenge is how we package our on-line worship, and then how we welcome any searching sheep - now or in that mythical time when we imagine *things might get back to normal*. When and if they tiptoe through the gates.

Can we find a way to show different sheep from other folds in the door? Are we ready to sit alongside people who're long-term unemployed because their jobs have vanished in the Covid smoke?

Or will we default to the people we've always sat by, talked with, included, and befriended? Especially if newcomers' pastoral theology doesn't fit ours?

Peter



For the month of April 2022: General Account
Income: \$7,454 Outgoings: \$1,848



Please keep in your prayers:

Eileen Turner, Helga & Terry, Trewby & Rosie, Anne Connolly-Munt, Isa and Derek, Pam Murphy, Gus Holgate-Simpson, Lynne & Eddie, Jocelyn, Amanda, Brendon Kidd, Paul Brom, Jan W., Carol, Judith and Jonathan.

If you would like to add people or situations, and having made sure the people would like to be on our list, please phone 431 4122, or email mangawhaichristking@xtra.co.nz

What's on: 09 - 15 May

Tues. 10 May	Rhythm 'n' Riggle Governing Body	Christ the King Christ the King	10.00 am 1.00 pm
Thurs. 12 May	Kaiwaka-Mangawhai Garden Club	Christ the King	1.00 pm
Sun. 15 May	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Christ the King St Paul's, Kaiwaka	9.00 am 9.00 am

Next week

**Readings
Next Week 15 May 2022**

NT Reading: Acts 11: 1-18
Gospel Reading: John 13: 31-35

MISSION DISTRICT CONTACTS

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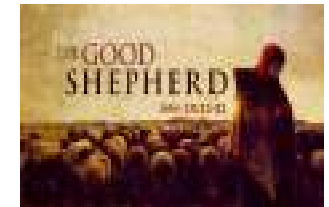
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Pew News

**Christ the King, Mangawhai
08 May 2022**

THEME & READINGS: 4th Sunday of Easter

NT: Acts 9: 36-43
Gospel: John 10: 22-30



SCRIPTURE SENTENCE:

Hear what the Good Shepherd says to us as we gather for this celebration: "A new commandment I give you: that you love one another, even as I have loved you." *John 13: 34*

COLLECT :

**O God, your Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people:
Grant that when we hear his voice,
we may know him who calls us each by name,
and follow where he leads; Amen.**

PRAYER CYCLE:

In our Diocese, we pray for the Local Shared Ministry Unit of Titirangi; the South Kaipara Anglican/Methodist Church—Local Shared Ministry Unit; St Chad Anglican/Methodist Church—Local Shared Ministry Unit. In our Mission District we pray for our Clergy team; 'Social Gatherings', Pastoral care, Wardens and Governing Body. In our community we pray for Renewal and Revival, that God's Spirit would move to heal and transform.

**Office Hours: Friday 8am-12 noon
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Christ the King Mangawhai, St Michael & All Angels Hakaru, St Paul's Kaiwaka