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ROSTERS

DATE	TEA/COFFEE	FLOWERS	DOOR/COLLECTION
10Dec	Starke	Carolyn	Ros/David
17Dec	Dixon	Anne G	Ros/David
24Dec	Bailey	Heather	Dave/Al
31Dec	Swan	Carolyn	Dave/Al
07Jan	Hughes/Lauchlan	Anne G	Jean/Esme
14Jan	Starke	Heather	Jean/Esme
21Jan	Catchpole	Carolyn	Barbara/Norman

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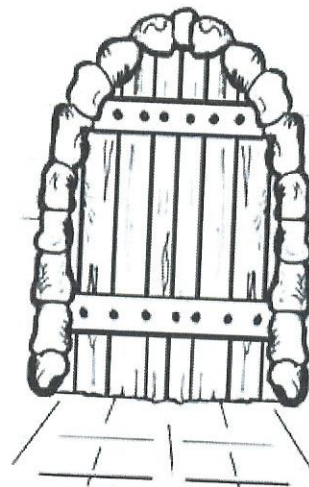


**Bethlehem
Community
Church**

Presbyterian Church of
Aotearoa New Zealand

10th December 2017

Knock! Knock!



'I stand at the door!'

*Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the
door, I will come in and eat with that person,
and they with me.*

Revelation 3v20

'Ask, seek, knock'

*'Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the
door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one
who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be
opened.'*

Matthew 7v7&8

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"To Know Jesus And To Make Him Known"

EVENTS & NOTICES

Today we have our Christmas Family Service. Sit back and enjoy some traditional carols with our amazing choir and band and also some fabulous acting segments. All the children will stay in the service today.

Christmas Services @ BCC

Sunday 24th Dec - normal Sunday morning service @ 9.30am.
There will be no Christmas Eve service. Please feel free to join St Peters in the City @ 7pm or St Enoch's @ 11.30pm.

Monday 25th Dec - No service. Please feel free to join with St Peters in the City @ 9am or St Enoch's @ 9.30am.

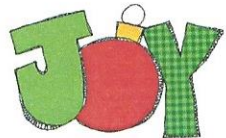
FRIDAY NIGHT HUB - 15th December - What's on?

6.15 pm End of Term: Pot luck / Bring and share tea
Please **RSVP** for an idea of numbers
jacquipittendreigh@gmail.com 021 1163 012

7.00 pm Christmas Festivities

- * Carols round the piano
- * Pass the parcel
- * Christmas Quiz

8.15 pm Ice-cream!



The last newsletter for 2017 will be Sunday 24th Dec. The first newsletter for 2018 will be Sunday 4th Feb.

The Op Shop will close on Thurs 21st Dec and re open on Mon 22nd Jan 2018.

Music Roster - The latest roster for Dec/Jan is out. Please see Heather if you have not received one or there is one on the wall in Jill's office.

Defibrillator - It is with very grateful thanks that a grant application to the Sir John Logan Campbell Residuary Estate has been successful and we have been granted the full amount of \$3500 to purchase a defibrillator. This will benefit all who use our expanding facilities.

One Voice - City Wide Gathering - Sun 10th Dec, 6.30-8.30pm
@ Bethlehem College Events Centre, 24 Elder Lane.

Come and join us, invite your friends and let us gather together in His name and worship and pray until we see what God has declared concerning our city fulfilled.

Homes of Hope Charitable Trust - House parents needed to join our passionate and dynamic team in providing foster care in one of our family homes in Tauranga. Please see the notice board for more details.

Coming Up:

A Night Before Christmas - Sat 16th Dec, 5-10pm @ Bethlehem College, 24 Elder Lane. Christmas carols sung by Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Road to Bethlehem - Sun 17th- Wed 20th Dec @ Tauranga Adventist School, 19 Moffat Road. You will need to book a ticket (for time and day).

REGULAR SERVICES and EVENTS

First Sunday of the month // 9.30am Communion followed by coffee & tea.
Then prayer 11.45am-1pm.

All other Sundays // 9.30am followed by coffee & tea.

Second or Third Thursday of the month // 10.45am Enliven Service in BCC Lounge. Traditional hymns. All welcome.

Prayer Meetings // Sunday 9am (Small Meeting Room) & 1st Sunday of the month 11.30am-1pm (Church), Wednesday 8.45am - before Mainly Music (Small Meeting Room) & Thursday 7pm (Kids Alive Room). All welcome.

BCC MEETINGS

Property & Finance Team // Wed 13th Dec 2017, 5.15pm
Leadership Team // Wed 13th Dec 2017, 5.15pm

HOME GROUPS

Otumoetai - Tues - 7pm weekly - contact Trev & Cathy Kent 576 3007
Otumoetai - Wed - 1.30pm fortnightly - contact Ross Carter 576 5188
Bethlehem - Wed - 7pm weekly Joshua/Caleb Group - contact Norman 027 533 4127
Home Group Co-ordinators - Trev and Cathy Kent - 576 3007

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please pray for our Building Consents that are before the council now.
- Pray for **Norman Sutton** as he recovers physically, and emotionally from his accident, that he'll be patient, and get back to 100%. Pray for Barbara as she cares for him.
- Continue to uplift and pray for all those in our church family that you know are unwell or recovering. Remember the Prayer Chain/Meetings if you need prayer.
- Continue to uplift and pray for the Leadership/Ministry/Vision & Outlook at BCC.

MISSION FOCUS

Kevin & Jillian Connoles - Tanzania

Kevin and Jillian will be based in Musoma in NW Tanzania. Jillian will be involved in the vital task of Bible Translation and Kevin will contribute with the many practical skills he has. They leave NZ on Christmas Eve after a family celebration with their children and grandchildren.

Some prayer points:

- ⇒ Thanks for them being granted resident and work permits.
- ⇒ Praise God for the blessing of sufficient money to cover set up costs.
- ⇒ Our pledged regular support is around 70%. Pray for all our needs to be met.
- ⇒ Pray we do not overlook any essential details as we prepare to leave.
- ⇒ Pray for opportunities and quality family time over the coming weeks, filling our emotional tanks for the time ahead...

If you want to support Kevin & Jillian financially it must be done through Wycliffe Bible Translators NZ. Phone: 0508 992 543 (toll free) or admin@wycliffenz.org