

Morning Service

Welcome
Call to worship: **Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19** **Page 574**
Worship
Children's talk
Worship (Offering Collected/Dedicated)
Prayers (Confession & Intercession)
Communion
Readings **Isaiah 11:1-10, 18-19** **Page 686**
Romans 15:4-13 **Page 1125**
Matthew 3:1-12 **Page 957**
Sermon **Advent 2 – A Call to Repentance**
Closing Worship
Benediction, Blessing & Grace

No Bible Study this evening

Birthdays !!

Nathan Leung(14th), Ben Wiki(16th)

Anniversaries !!

Jyoti Gupta & Nav Singh(10th),
Ya(Alice) & Norman Hopkins(16th)

PRAYERS

Please keep the following in prayer

- Our missionary Melanie Bell in Tanzania
- John Buchan, Janet Buchanan - recovering
- Liz Rennie – recovering from leg injury
- Dorothy Buchanan's family on her passing
- Our team working on developing our missional vision and building plan for St. John's.
- For the growth and development of our children's and youth ministry.
- The people attending our Wednesday Community Meal in the hall.
- Additional Health: Norman, Colin B, Evelyn, Ina, Mama Anna Asfio (Tanzania)
- For families under pressure at Christmas.

For prayer requests, please email Kate Small, ksmall0819@gmail.com. For more detail, please see website (Look for prayers/prayers for others).

NOTICES

Christmas Market & Garage Sale: A huge thank you to all those for helping with the setup, clean up and the sale.

Christmas Appeal "Giving Love". This year our loving Christmas support in be in 4 areas: (1) **Missionary Mel** working at New Life in Tanzania, (2) Children and staff at the **New Life Foundation Tanzania**, (3) **ADHB Chaplaincy Service** and (4) to **families in need in our community**. Donations received **by today** will be allocated and we'll let you know the result. Please give generously so we can bless others! **Special Envelopes** for this are available from today. Alternatively, you can do a **direct credit** to (ASB) **12-3033-0617107-00**. Please put LOVE-MEL/LOVE-NLF/LOVE-ADHB/LOVE-FAM in Reference.

Café Service: 10:00 am Next Sunday, 17th Dec.

Christmas Services:

24th Dec - Christmas Eve Service @11.30 pm

25th Dec - Christmas Day Service @ 9.00 am

Tuesday Bible Study: 10 am in the Church lounge. Join us for a cuppa, fellowship & learning. Last study for the year, 19th Dec.

Sunday Evening Bible Study: No Study tonight. Last study for the year 17th Dec.

Alpha for Busy People: in recess until Feb 2018

Op Shop: Open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Sat & Wed mornings. Contact Jo Mack / Office.

Mainly Music: This Friday will be the last session for the year. Will resume 10am Friday, 9th Feb 2018.

Volunteers: Able to provide practical help around the church – gardening etc? See Lydia / Colin.

Weekly Bulletin: Check it online at:
<http://www.stjohns.org.nz/ChurchLife/Bulletin.pdf>

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- **Food Parcels:** Thank you for contributing. Keep up the good work as need is growing!
- **Community Meal:** Wednesdays 5:30-7:30pm. If you want to serve, or contribute food, to this mission see John. This is an important form of hands-on practical ministry in our community.

When We Are Poor and Afflicted, There Is Hope

Isaiah 11:1 – 5

We can be afflicted in many ways: hurts we experience in relationships, emotional struggles such as depression and addictions, health issues and financial losses.

One of God's central messages to us is that he has good news for us that will help us in our afflictions. In fact this Good News is alluded to here in Isaiah, who describes a "shoot" from the dynasty of King David — Jesus, who will be the true King of Israel, the Messiah (Isaiah 11:1).

Through Jesus we will find healing for our problems and issues. God is drawn to help us. He has compassion for us (see Psalm 116:5) and the power to heal us and lead us into new paths that are healthy and good for us (see Psalm 23:3). He sent his Son for us. That compassion and power reflect his nature as a God who is full of grace and truth (see John 1:14). Our poverty and afflictions are not obstacles to a relationship with God. Instead, they are avenues to him. Whatever they may be, we can bring our afflictions to him.

**For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.
Isaiah 9:6**

PRIVILEGES...

Preaching Rev. Dr. Colin Marshall
Next Week Rev. Dr. Colin Marshall

Duty Elders:
Today Reuel Baptista
Next Week Viv Riddell

Worship Leader:
Today Richard Small
Next Week Teuila Buchan

Meet and Greet:
Today Sam Matoe
Next Week Belinda Williams

Morning Tea:
Today: Torea Mauinatu / Belinda Williams
Next Week Janet & Frances Buchanan

Readers:
Today Frances B / Eddie T / Desiree B
Next Sunday Liz Rennie / Eva Yuliana

Power Point:
Today Sofia / Steven Goodwin
Next Sunday Viv Riddell

Flowers: Team
Grounds: Team

Mainly Music Morning Tea (Friday): Team

Home / Cell Groups

Mon.	7pm	Senior Youth	620-6609
Tues.	10am	Bible Study (Church - Colin)	620-6609
	7:30pm	Worship Team	620-6609
Fri.	6am	Men's 4x4 Breakfast	620-6609
Sun	6pm	Bible Study	620-6609

Monthly Activities

1 st Thursday	7:30pm	Session meeting
1 st Sunday	10 am	Hospital Chapel Service
2 nd Sunday	10 am	Communion Services
3 rd Thursday	7:30pm	Board of Managers meeting
3 rd Tuesday	12pm-4pm	Presbytery Ministry Committee

Weekly Activities

Monday	7:00pm	Alpha
Wednesday	10:00am	Drop in Centre
	6:00 to 8:00pm	Free Community meal for the needy
Friday	10:00am	Mainly Music

Social Events

1st & 3rd Saturday 7:00pm Youth Event

Church Elders Rev. Dr. Colin Marshall (Minister), John Buchan (Session Clerk), Kate & Richard (BOM Chairman) Small, Steven Bridges (Treasurer), Reuel Baptista, Nooroa Blenkarn, Teuila Buchan, Lydia Gottipalli, David Gujjari, Stephanie Hansen, Jennifer & Rev Kyoung Han, Rebecca Leung, Lisa & Marty Lone, Jo Mack, Viv Riddell.

Elders Emeritus: Liz Rennie, Len Scanlen

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Session Clerk Mr John Buchan 021-0292-5572

Board of Managers

Chairman	Richard Small	636-4115
Treasurer	Steven Bridges	636-8088
Minutes	Lydia Gottipalli	620-6609

Groups / Contacts

Drop in Centre	Office	620-6609
Pastoral Care	John Buchan	846-5181

	Stephanie Hansen	620-5266
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Worship Team	Teuila Buchan	846-5181
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Alpha	Office	620-6609
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Flowers	Office	620-6609
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Kids Church	Angela Goodwin	021-681-556
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Library	Jo Mack	625-8130
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ADHB Chapel	Jo Mack	625-8130
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Op Shop	Jo Mack	625-8130
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Mainly Music	Lydia Gottipalli	620-6609
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Men's Ministry	John Buchan	846-5181
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Prayer Ministry	Kate Small	636-4115
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Offering &	Steven Bridges	636-8088
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Envelopes

Asian Ministries Advisor	Rev Kyoung Han
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Community Meal	John Buchan	846-5181
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Weekly Newsletter Deadline - 10 AM Thursday Items for the newsletter must be in writing. Please state what week(s) the notice is to be included in the newsletter.

OFFERINGS -These can be made by cash, cheque, automatic payment or direct credit **ASB 12-3033-0617107-00**. People using the envelope, automatic payment or direct credit systems can receive annual tax receipts. Please see Steven Bridges for details.

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10am Service:

Advent 2:

"A Call to Repentance"



10th December 2017

Our vision is to be a united, Christ-centred church, sharing faith, hope and love in our community

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