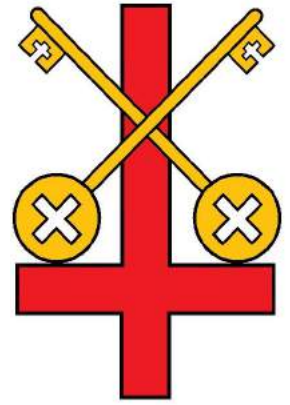


Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

**St Peter's
&
St Luke's**



**18th September 2022
Ordinary Sunday 25**

Faithful about the Little things

Looking after the little things shows we can be trusted to look after the greater things: the spiritual riches God has entrusted to us.

What are the little things? Here's one: showing our love by encouraging someone today. It might be as little as smiling as you walk past a stranger.

Let's make this a daily discipline – try to encourage at least one person every day. Your words have the power to lift someone when they are down. They also have the power to motivate someone who might be struggling or encourage someone to pick themselves back up after a setback.

A small act of encouragement could be the spark that changes a loved one's perspective. To praise and encourage someone's efforts is a practice worth having.

Her Majesty, the late Queen Elizabeth, knew the importance of this. She knew God has entrusted us with talents for the task He has set us. If we are faithful in our tasks, as she was, making the most of opportunities (which is being faithful with what he gives you) He will welcome you into the true riches of eternal life.

~ Margaret



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaV6CL18TXIVfhsobuKDFRw>

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News in the Parish

To Honour Our Queen

On Sunday 18th September, at 4pm, in St Peter's Church, there will be a Thanksgiving Evensong for the life and dedicated service of Elizabeth II, our Queen.

And on September 26th - Public Holiday for the Queen's Memorial Service - the Church will be open for all who wish to gather together and watch the National Service from Wellington Cathedral. ~ Nick

Parish Demographics Survey

The Diocesan Ministry Action Plan asks for a survey to be conducted to gather demographics of those who attend church on a Sunday and during the week. In the pew you will find the survey sheet. It asks two questions; what is your gender, and what age bracket do you belong to. All you have to do is to tick two boxes and hand in the sheet before leaving church. The survey will take place over a four week period but you only have to fill out the form once either on a Sunday or at a midweek service. **Please do not complete it more than once.** Thank you for your participation in this important survey. ~ Edwin

Quiz Night - Friday 23 Sep

It's drawing closer - our next QUIZ NIGHT on Friday 23rd of this month. 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. A number of you have registered a team either on the list at the back of church or by emailing davenjo@xtra.co.nz but there is certainly room for more. Teams of up to six and \$10 a member (\$5 school students) payable on the night. Bring your own refreshments and some extra cash for raffle tickets - we would really appreciate donations of prizes too. So plan to join us for a fun evening with a bit of a mental challenge and spread the invitation to family and friends. Any queries speak to David or Jo Winfield. ~ David

Covid

This week the Government relaxed the covid protocols and subsequently the diocese has also. If you have a cold or flu, or you feel more comfortable wearing a mask you may, but mask wearing is no longer recommended. We can, if both involved feel comfortable, share the peace with a hand shake.

If you get Covid please stay home for 7 days and let us know if you need food or medicine. ~ Nick

Defibrillator

There has been a misunderstanding, it has come to light that we are still needing \$1380.00.

Thankyou gift for Margaret

We are very thankful to have Rev Margaret among us, sadly she is moving on to her new faith journey at the end of October. We are organizing a Thankyou gift for her, you are welcome to make a contribution towards her gift if you wish.

Social Justice & the Environment

Our church is starting a zero waste journey, with the help of A Rocha, as part of Eco Church. We will be working with a Māori zero waste service called *Para Kore*. They train and inspire people around the country to care for our natural world, with fun and story, insights and interaction. **You are invited** to a 2-hour practical workshop on Friday 14 October, 9-11am, at St Peter's.

~Peg

Thanks for prayers

Sheldine has let us know she has received healing for her foot and thanks us for our prayers. ~ Nick





My heart was full of joy last Sunday as we celebrated Preschool's 3rd birthday and Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival, for 2 reasons:

1: To be able to celebrate together after missing out last year because of COVID19 restrictions.

2: To acknowledge, honour and celebrate the wonderful partnership between Parish and Preschool.

It was wonderful to have some parishioners and Iman Gamal Fouda join us for morning tea. Several families came to church and the children's performances were delightful. Quite a few parishioners came back to Preschool to join us for a celebratory lunch after watching the children's performance in Mandarin.

After lunch we started the games afternoon but were rained out quite early. It was such a fabulous celebration.

~ Liz Orr

stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz

Sunday 18 Sep -

Thanksgiving Evensong — 4:00pm,
Church

Growing Faith — cancelled this week

Monday 19 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Tuesday 20 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium

Exercise Class — 9:30am, Parish Hall

Elms Court Village Service — 11:00am

Wednesday 21 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Wed Service — 10am, Church

Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Thursday 22 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Coffee & Chat — 10am, Atrium

Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 23 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel

Garage Sale Team — 9am, by the hall

A-Team — 9am, by the hall

Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Mission Table

We had a very successful Mission Table last Sunday for the CWS Pakistan Flood Appeal, raising \$467-90 (including Exercise Class money) A number of people also gave generous donations.

Many thanks to all the helpers on the Table, and also to everyone who donated items to sell.

For the next Mission Table in October we would be very grateful to have some pots of jams and/or marmalade. Also needed are small jars with lids for the Lemon Honey.

~ Jill and Noeline



ONLINE GIVING

Bank: **Bank of New Zealand**

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Account Details: **02-0874-0021566-00**

Worship Details

St Peter's Church

8am—Holy Communion

9:30am—Holy Communion

St Luke's Church

9:30am—Holy Communion

Readings: Amos 8.4-7
Psalm 113
1 Timothy 2.1-7
Luke 16.1-13

Sentence

Jesus said, 'Whoever is faithful in small matters will be faithful in large ones.' (cf Luke 16.10a)

Collect

Let us pray to manage well all God has given us

Talent-giving God,
yours are the gifts that enrich a life-time:

help us to manage wisely
all that you have given us,
that, in small matters as with large,
we might be found faithful;
now and for ever. **Amen**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

Caring God,
help us follow your example.

Next week's readings:

Amos 6.1a, 4-77
Psalm 146
1 Timothy 6.6-19
Luke 16.19-31



Upcoming Special Service dates

Family Church - 25th Sep

Open Church for

National Memorial Service - 26th Sep

Petersgate Sunday - 2nd Oct

St Luke's Patronal Festival - 16th Oct

Prayer Focus

• For our mission partners...

⇒ Petersgate:

♥ Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the ten students on placement at Petersgate this year. Help them develop professionally as counsellors, and to complete the assignments they need to do during this semester of the year.

⇒ Preschool:

♥ Thankfulness for our 3rd birthday and Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival celebrations

♥ Wisdom for staff as we honour the queen's memory at Preschool this coming week

♥ 2 new child enrolments each week (in agreement with MCC Trust Management and staff)

Youth in our Parish:

♥ *Sunday School:* Pray they come to know Christ and grow in their faith and they would boldly share Jesus with friends.

♥ *Intermediate:* Pray that teenagers will learn to love God's word and be saved.

• **For those in need of prayer,** especially Bobbity, Jim C, Audrey P, Maureen D, Anne J, Ethan, Elizabeth C, Alison R, Ken B, Neville, Irene Ch, Helen E, Anne & John S, Ian & Carole B, Marlene, Helen, Daniel, Winifred, Fiona G, Marie T, Irvine K, Nesta B, and any others on our hearts and minds.

• LINWOOD-ARANUI

Vicar: The Rev'd Brenda Bonnett (Marty)

The Rev'd Felicity O'Brien (Kevin)

The Rev'd Anne Russell-Brighty (Adrian)

LYTTELTON

Vicar: The Rev'd John McLister (Yaeko Bando)

Mission to Seafarers:

Chaplain: The Rev'd John McLister (Yaeko)

Board Chair: The Rev'd Rob Thomson

PLANT & GARDEN SALE

Saturday 15th October
9am-12 noon

Large range of plants, tools, garden accessories

Cash and Eftpos
 Proceeds to St Peter's Church

ST PETER'S CHURCH HALL
 CHURCH CORNER, UPPER RIGGARTON
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St Peter's

GARAGE SALE

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 Church Corner, Christchurch
 St Peter's Anglican Church