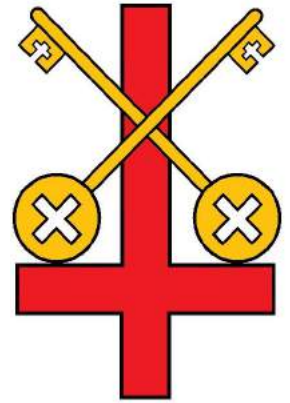


Welcome



to the Anglican Parish of
Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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



**10th Sep 2023
Ordinary Sunday 23**

The Grace to Reconcile

In our Gospel for Sunday, Matthew 18:15-20, we find a profound message of reconciliation (which means to restore relationships which are broken or stressed) and being community within our Christian faith. This passage emphasises the importance of facing conflicts and seeking resolution within the community of believers. Jesus encourages his followers to approach one another with love and humility, making every effort to restore relationships that may have been strained. The image of being the **Family of God** is powerful given.



The passage also reminds us that when two or more gather in God's name, God's presence is felt, underlining the significance of community and unity in the pursuit of God's love and guidance. It's a beautiful reminder of the inclusivity and love that God calls us to embrace in our journey of faith.

Prayer for this Sunday's theme: God of peace and light. May our churches be places where quarrels can be settled, where prayer draws us together and where love can grow. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

~ Peg



Join us on Live Stream for our Sunday Service

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

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News in the Parish

Growing in Faith

In September, we have several other events at this time so we will begin again on October 8. Look to the Bulletins for upcoming news. ~Peg

Happy Birthday - Preschool

Our preschool is celebrating its 4th birthday today (10th Sep). Preschool families and staff will join Family Church at 11:15am and move over to the Preschool for a Pot-luck lunch, which will then be followed by carnival games, including a bouncy castle. All welcome.

Leaf mould compost available

\$40.00 per trailer load delivered within Christchurch City.

\$30.00 per trailer load if you collect it yourself.

Proceeds to the restoration fund.

Contact Dennys on 357 4204.

~ Dennys Guild

God's Creation

Save the dates: September 17th and October 1st, at 11.15am in the atrium. As part of our rejoicing for the renewal of Spring and the Season of Creation, we are offering two videos on the theme: 'A climate of hope.' The first features anthropologist Dr. Jane Goodall (famous for her studies of chimpanzees) and the second the Rt Hon Helen Clark. Each of these is followed by recorded discussion with local experts, moderated by Rod Oram. There will be time for discussion among ourselves.

~Richard Milne



Mission Impact Review

There is a team with us from the wider Diocese undertaking a review of the Parish. Please prayerfully fill out the survey from the link below before the 17th of September. There are paper copies if you don't have the internet. Please have these back to church on Sunday the 17th.

The review team are reporting back at morning tea on the 24th.

Thanks for your help with this.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JWBBKWN>

~Nick

Plant Sale

Thank you...what a fabulous response we had to the vegetable seeds. You can still grow vegetables and last year fruit plants were very popular including black currants, rhubarb, raspberries, as well as herbs. We are in for some early Spring weather so have a look in the garden and see what you can pot up! There is still some potting soil available.

~Fiona Gilmore & Ann

Garage Sale - 14/10/2023

Furniture and Kitchenware Most used furniture accepted in reasonable condition - some exceptions such as baby mattresses, car seats etc. Likewise we will accept kitchen and household goods in usable condition.

Last day for drop off for anything is Friday 6th October.

~Jo Winfield

Invitation to Explore

Have you ever wondered what Baptism is all about? Have you been baptised and want to take your God commitment further? Perhaps you want to know more about Confirmation. Please email, or talk to Peg and we can meet and explore what might be in store!

~Peg



It's an exciting time at the preschool as we prepare for our 4th birthday celebration on Sunday.

On Tuesday Tony Bracefield the trust manager was down from Auckland and we celebrated communion together as a staff team. Having Communion together with St Peter's folk is special as it builds the team and refocuses us on Christ.



~ Nick on behalf of Liz
stpeterspreschool@mcctrust.nz



This Week's Diary

Sunday 10 Sep

Family Church + Preschool birthday —
11:15am,
Pot-luck lunch - 12pm

Tuesday 12 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel
Staff Meeting — 9:15am, Atrium
Exercise Class — 9:30am, Parish Hall
Homestead Ilam Service - 11:00am
Mayfair Life Care Service — 3:00pm
Care bears — 4pm, Atrium
Victory Youth — 5pm, Upper Room

Wednesday — 13 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel
Wednesday Eucharist — 10am, Church
Mahjong Club — 1:30pm, York Room

Thursday 14 Sep

Morning Prayer — 9am, Chapel
Choir — 7:30pm, Church

Friday 15 Sep

Meditation — 9:00am, Chapel
A-Team — 9am, by the hall
9-11am, Garage Sale Shed
St Allisa's Life Care Service — 10:30am
Conversation English Class — 4pm,
Bowden Hall
Family Orchestra — 6pm, Bowden Hall

Saturday 16 Sep

Card Making Club — 10am, Bowden Hall

Mission Table

Mission Table on Sunday 10th Sep - held in the Atrium at both the 0800 and 0930 Services.

There will be the usual lovely selection of jams, pickles, preserves etc, and cakes and biscuits, sweets, craft items, knitted teddies, and fresh fruit and veges will be available. Cash or EFTPOS available.

The funds from this week's Mission Table will go to the University Chaplain fund.

The money will support the Chaplain to help students who face the challenges of leaving home and studying in a new environment.

~ Jill & Noeline



If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over.

Matthew 18:15

Worship Details

St Peter's Church
8:00am—Eucharist
10:00am—Eucharist
Victory Church
2:00pm
Family Church
11:15am—Eucharist

Readings: Ezekiel 33.7-11
Psalm 119.33-40
Romans 13.8-14
Matthew 18.15-20
Matthew 19.13-15 (at 11.15)

Sentence

'Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.' (*Romans 13.8*)

Collect

Reconciling God:

when the time comes to confront
grant us the courage to speak,
and the love to listen;
for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

Versicle and Response for Intercessions

In you God,
all things are possible.

Next Sunday's Readings:

Genesis 50.15-21
Psalm 103.(1-7), 8-13
Romans 14.1-12
Matthew 18.21-35



Prayer Focus

⇒ Petersgate:

◇ Thanking God for our counsellors, praying that they look after themselves and keep their lives in balance.

⇒ Preschool:

◇ A fine day for our birthday celebrations.

◇ An experienced Christian Early Childhood teacher for our vacant Team Leader position.

• Mission Action Plan

- To grow our congregation
- Grow our Care of Creation
- Grow Family Church
- Deeper connection with Victory congregation
- Grow Digital Ministry
- For the Mission impact review team and those interviewed and all of us as we fill out the questionnaire

• Other Prayers

We pray for those in need of prayer, especially: Sheldine, Doug and Betty, Liz I, Carol B, Bill G, Derek R, Max, Margaret W & Neville B, George K, Maureen and Martin, Irvine K, Sheila F, Helen E, Alison R, Anne and John S, Sue C, Marlene C, Irene Ch, Lesley J, Bev H, Christine C and others in our hearts and minds.

• Diocesan Prayers

LINCOLN

Vicar: The Rev'd Mark Barlow

Assistant Priest: The Rev'd Christine Allport (Barry)

The Rev'd Chrissy Smith (Kim)

The Rev'd Lester Fletcher (Carol)

The Rev'd David Farmer (Susan)

The Rev'd Ken Light (Lynnette)

The Rev'd Pam Tizzard

The Rev'd Lynne Horwood (John)

Rolleston: The Rev'd Gabriele Anderson

Bi-cultural Education Committee

Tools to help you grow...

TUIA

<https://tuia.app/>



Tuia gathers people in prayer.

Though we may be distant physically, we are one in prayer.

Tui, tui, tuituia mātou.

Lectio 365

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-365/>

[Google apps](#)

[Apple app store](#)

Lectio 365



The new daily devotional app from 24-7 Prayer and CWR

There are sites to help you understand the Bible - Try **Bible Project** on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/@bibleproject/about> (or the free app: Bible Project on Google Play or App Store)

There is an amazing series, still in the making called The Chosen. It is on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@TheChosenSeries/videos> It also has an app for both Apple and Android devices, even computers!



The Chosen

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Parish Event Calendar 2023

DATE (& Day)	Event	Notes
7, 8, 9 September	Synod	
10 September (Sun)	Preschool Service (11:15)	4 th Birthday celebration
23-24 September	Mission Impact Review	
7 October (Sat)	Plant Sale	
14 October (Sat)	Garage Sale	
12-14 October	LYCIG	Leading Your Church Into Growth
15 October	St Luke's Patronal Service	
19 October (Thu)	Cemetery + Church Tour	
27-30 October	Parish Retreat	Friday-Sunday
5 November	All Saints Sunday	
3 December	Advent Sunday	
10 December	Remembering the Departed Preschool Service (11:15)	Advent
17 December	Carol Services	St Luke's & St Peter's
24 December (Sun)	Children's Nativity 5pm Midnight Service	
25 December (Mon)	Christmas Day	

Note: This is a living document, will be updated as required.