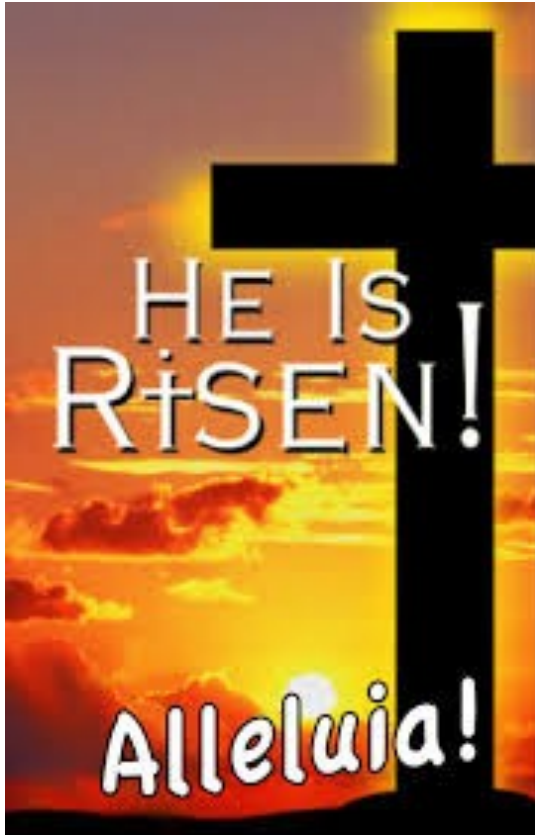


HALO



April 2017

**ST COLUMBA'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TARADALE**

From the Minister



What is a Church?

There are many organisations in the world and many of them do good work. Many speak for social justice, many relieve poverty, and many exist to create relationships and community among members. So what is unique about the church if we also do the same activities? I think a couple of things. First it is based on the belief that God has acted in Jesus Christ and through his death and Resurrection he has created a community that is built on grace and Love. At its core is the idea of sacrifice- putting the needs of others before your own. It is an embodiment of the teaching and example of Jesus. Paul called the Church the Body of Christ because we are to give embodiment to his teaching and example. But more than that – It is also a Spiritual body- God himself dwells within the church, animating it, empowering

it. Christ's Spirit permeates his body, bestowing gifts, leading and directing, energising and motivating. There is an element of transcendence about the Church, it is more than a human organisation. We are spiritual not just because we talk to God, or have beliefs about the origins of the universe, or the purpose of life. We are spiritual beings at our very core, we are connected to the Creator and Sustainer of life. Genesis says we are made in God's Image. Jesus called us Children of God and taught us to pray "Our Father in Heaven." We are filled with God's Spirit.

A few weeks ago I was invited to meet a lady who was dying of cancer, she was in her mid 50's. She had been deeply hurt by a church as an older teenager and had walked away from the church. Later she had wrestled with the temptations of drugs and alcohol and found her feet again through Alcoholics Anonymous, and became a leader in Narcotics Anonymous. When I first met her she wanted me to talk only of a higher power as described in AA. Yet she was a spiritual person who sensed in the Garden she loved a real presence, a real entity she acknowledged but didn't really

know. As we talked over a few months and as I lived out what it meant to be part of a community of Grace and Love she could see that the “unknown God” whom she was feeling for (see Acts 17:16-34) had made himself known in Jesus. She even came to church a couple of times and was delighted to see a group of people who sought to live by the ideals we espoused. Her Funeral was a celebration of Grace and hope. For the Church is not just for people who have perfect lives or pretend they do but is a place where the stranger is welcomed, when the fallen find grace and the hurting find peace. As a Spiritual people we have to learn not just how to serve others or forgive but also to learn how to connect with God and to pray. Worship is therefore not just a gathering of likeminded people but an acknowledgement of our Identity

as those who are forgiven and loved, as those who are Children of God. Corporate worship gives expression of our identity as interconnected people. It is part of our thanksgiving for the blessings of life we have received, and an opportunity for time with our God, bringing our Petitions as well as our thanksgiving. It is recognising that our Identity is corporate not just not individual. We are not just the Children of God, but brothers and sisters together (James 2:15), members of the Body (Romans 12), a kingdom of priests (1 Peter 2:9.) My Prayer for the Church is that we rediscover our true identity as a people of Grace but also as the people of God with all that that means.

May God Bless you all,

Brett



Welcome to the Easter edition of the Halo. Easter is when we celebrate resurrection and talk about new beginnings in our own lives.

Money Talk

What does it cost to run the Church, and where do we get the money? I like the following written by one church Treasurer:

"When I was young, I spent all my pocket money on records by pop stars of the time like Lonnie Donegan: he was the guy whose old man was a dustman and who left his chewing gum on the bedpost overnight. As a consequence, I never had any money and was always borrowing from mum. I don't recall ever paying it back.

Unlike me in my youth, we cannot borrow money, then "forget" to pay it back. We must produce a budget where income equals or exceeds costs."

So where does our money come from? Our main source of income is offerings and donations where we rely totally on the generosity of you, our parishioners. We also have the Op Shop, where we rely on the community's generosity in donating and buying used goods. The third main source of income is rent from the manse and hall hire to local groups. Although the manse rent covers Brett's housing allowance. Beyond that, we aim to raise money through fundraisers like the fair, or things like a Parish dinner.



One challenge we face is most of our funds are used to operate the church, which leaves little money to help those in the wider community when they come to us for help in an emergency; helping others is, after all, what we should be doing. What would it mean for the church to be an organisation that does just live for itself but for good of others?

With one week till Easter it means we are in the middle of Lent. In some traditions that means giving up something – such as Chocolate or Coffee or red meat. But maybe we should make it more about Giving – than giving up. – Maybe we should spend the next 2 weeks Giving- Giving smiles, giving letters, giving apologies, giving encouragement, giving gifts, giving help, giving time. So much giving! So much generosity.

if you're preparing for Easter by giving up chocolate it might do more for your figure you're your faith. Generosity might prove a bit more challenging than the usual Lenten discipline. But it's also a great deal more rewarding – there is an incredible sense of joy as we focus on others rather than ourselves.

It's a transition that starts with the mind: from having less to giving love, from asceticism to abundance, from being miserly to being missional. The words of St Francis' prayer are becoming all the more meaningful as I allow God's generosity to change me.

*O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

Your thought for today: Giving Time

Have you heard the story of the professor lecturing on time management?

Letting actions speak louder than words, he fills a large glass container with several fist-sized pebbles and asks the room if it is full. “Yes” comes the reply. So he takes handfuls of smaller pebbles and shakes them in to the container. Still not full. A bag of sand follows. Surely full now. Finally, a jar of water is poured in and nothing more can be added. Point made.

stressed out”. Modern life can often be hectic and our busyness can sideline relationships before they’ve had the chance to begin. Without time, acquaintances will never become friends and the big things are lost.

My parents were experts at making time to build new relationships. As I child I remember them inviting people back for lunch every Sunday after church. Anyone new would get an invite. Those on their own had a place at our table.

Building strong relationships needs thought too. It requires effort and energy to make space in our schedules and to be imaginatively creating places and doing things where they can flourish and grow.

Those Sunday lunches remain an abiding memory and have a huge impact on how Claire (my wife) and I view our home today. It isn’t a museum or playroom for our children but a resource God has loaned us for His purposes. Whether that’s hosting bonfire nights for our church family or inviting friends and their kids over to camp out for the night, we’ve discovered great joy in making what



The moral of the story? The big important things need to go into our life ahead of the small and trivial or it won’t all fit.

As Kevin De Young unpacks in his great little book ‘Crazy Busy’ many of us have “a pervasive sense of being unrelentingly filled up and

we have available to others in return for special memories that grow into lifelong friendships.

We haven't always got it right and sometimes get the mix of people wrong but, hey, God knows who's going to be there and why! What are the big stones you need to be giving attention to today?

From 40acts

A website that promotes
Generosity in Lent



St Columba's Family Picnic

Sunday, 9 April from 11.00am

At Tuki Tuki Camp, Moore Road (off Tuki Tuki Road)

EVERYONE is welcome—your children, their friends, cousins, neighbours etc.

Please bring your lunch, walking shoes (just in case), a smile and a sense of fun to enjoy the day.

We will have games and an Easter egg hunt for the kids (under 16)!

Milk, coffee and tea will be provided.

If the weather turns bad we will cancel.

Who has the Power?

Power **TENDS TO** corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely,” is what Lord Acton *actually* said

How do you feel about power? For many people, the word may conjure up images of a CEO giving instructions or the feeling you had when you stood up to the school bully. Your personal experience can lead you to believe that power is inherently good or bad. However, thinking of power as *neutral*, gives us scope to consider what kind of power might be good and how might we use power for good ends? If we think of power as simply ‘the ability to act’ the question then becomes, how much power do we have and how do we use it?

Relational power, is power *with* people and is based on listening to peoples stories, developing leaders and acting together to create change. Dominant power, on the other hand, is power *over* people, and depends on a few people making the major decisions and then using others to make them happen. In Luke 13:10-17 Jesus presents a model for those of us who desire to have the right kind of power and to use it for good ends. *On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in*

one of the synagogues, and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, “Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.” Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, “There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.” The Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Doesn’t each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?” When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.



The ‘crippled’ woman has very little power, as someone suffering from a physical disability with limited access to help or influence. She

uses the little ability she has to get to the synagogue, but being a woman and disabled she is without influence or power and dependent on those whose eyes are open to see her isolation and vulnerability.

The synagogue leader has significant power as he is responsible for making sure people are faithful to the Torah, hence his passionate defence of the sabbath. He influences the structure and practices of the Jewish community both inside the synagogue and in their wider lives. This leader uses his power to control people's behaviour and to ensure the religious law is obeyed.

Jesus stands in the synagogue, which is the religious, cultural and political centre for the Jews. As a Rabbi, he has a respected position and is recognised as someone who studies and understands the scriptures, and thus also has a level of spiritual influence. Jesus uses his power to stand on the side of the weak and vulnerable, in opposition to dominant and oppressive power structures, even when they are religious ones. Jesus demonstrates his genuine love and spiritual authority in healing this woman and defending her against accusation.

As a result, Jesus may not be invited

back to teach at that particular synagogue...but two major power shifts take place:

1. Jesus overcomes the power of Satan, freeing the woman after 18 years
2. Jesus replaces the power of law and oppression with love and liberation

So what does this mean for us?

Whether you lead through having relationships or position or both, you are a person who has power. The way you develop and use your power is one of the most important areas to reflect on. I would encourage you to read over this story again and reflect on your own context:

- ◆ Do you recognise the power you have?
- ◆ What kind of power are you developing? How relational or dominant are you?
- ◆ How are you using your power? Who are you standing with? What ends are you aiming for?
- ◆ Do power shifts or exchanges need to take place in order to help your leadership?

For further reflection read
Philippians 2:1-11.

By Selina Stone

From: <http://leadanyone.com/the-power-humility-balance/>

THE 1884 MODEL MINISTER

He must be young but mature; have all the flash of modern times but be prudent and calm.

He must have executive ability so he can arouse the enthusiasm of the congregation, but be willing to do all the work to ensure success.

He must be willing to bear all the mistakes made by the board of management.

He must be original in style and method, yet do everything in accord with the pre-conceived notions of the people.

He must be noted for depth of thought, but be able to engage in all the light conversation of the social circle and tea meetings.

He must be poor in order that he may be humble.

He must head the list in every charitable subscription and never be known to be in debt.

He must spend most of his time visiting, but always be at home to receive the calls of polite society.

He must be orthodox and preach *short* sermons, every one of which must include all the essential doctrines of the church.

His discourses must include modern controversy and research and should never conclude without calling attention to all the practical rules necessary for a religious life.

He should be a man of piety, but not make it offensive.

Choose prayerfully as well as carefully and the Lord will send a regenerated David, not an unregenerate Saul.

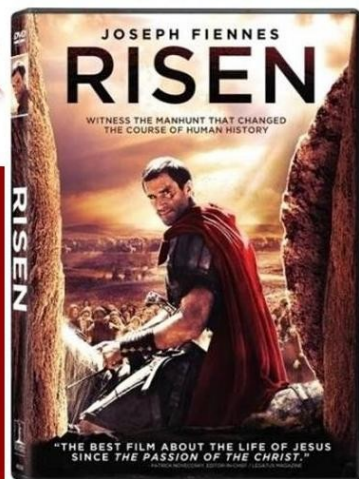


7.00pm for supper

7.30pm for movie

The movie **RISEN** will be shown in the Fish Hall at St Columba's Church, Taradale

Coffee and hot cross buns will be provided



My Spiritual Gifts

What is the difference between a natural talent and a Spiritual gift?

Definition: *A spiritual gift is a significant ability given to each believer by the Holy Spirit, who thus equips and moves members of the church to serve in special ways for Christ and his kingdom. Gifts are given to carry out the work of Jesus in the world, they can help us become clearer channels of God's love,*

Moses – what is that in your hand

How God used Moses multiplicity of life skills to lead the people of Israel.

When we think of Moses we often list his weakness – is inability to speak clearly (Exodus 3), his failed attempt to rescue an Israelite slave by Killing an Egyptian (Exodus 2), and his frustration with the People of Israel that lead him to not enter the Promised Land himself.

Yet Moses had a unique set of strengths and skills that God had ensured he learnt in order to be the great leader he was. During the years God was preparing him Moses probably had not idea that God had greater plans for him. He may have thought his life very mundane. As was said about Esther

later in the Bible “who knows if you weren’t made queen for such a time as this!” Esther 4:14. If God can use our life experiences and life situations for his own purpose as well as the Guidance and Gifts he gives then anything is possible for us.

For Moses being raised in the Royal household gave him familiarity with Egyptian language and Customs. As the adopted son of pharaoh's daughter, Moses would have had all the perks and privileges of a prince of Egypt. He was instructed “in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and he was mighty in his words and deeds” (Acts 7:22). He would have known the royal protocols and some of the people he dealt with. He would have learnt leadership skills as well as to read and write.

Being a shepherd in the hills of Midian for 40 years he would have understood where to find water and how to survive in harsh environments. He would have learnt about religious rituals from his father in Law. God took an impulsive and hot-tempered young man and began the process of moulding and shaping him into the perfect instrument for God to use. While we might long for the

“mountain top” experiences with God such as when Moses met God in the Burning bush, 99 percent of our lives are lived in the valley doing the mundane, day-to-day things that make up our life. Yet

even these are God’s training ground for greater things.

There is an old expression “Bloom where you are planted”

What do you think your gift mix is?
How did you decide this was your gift from God?

Bloom where
you are planted.



How using my spiritual gift assists my life and effectiveness...

How has it made a difference in the lives of others?

Pam Thrupp
Glen McLeod
Alan Cochran

Kids Friendly Care



We provide a FUN and safe enviroment for children aged 5-13 years old.

Before School: 7.30am - 8.30am

After School: 3pm - 5.30pm

Holiday Programme: 7.30am - 5.30pm

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Our doors are always open so feel free to come in and meet the team!

176 Gloucester Street, Taradale

Anna Neil: 022 643 1691

Five Surprising Insights about the Unchurched

They aren't antagonistic.

They welcome a conversation with believers.

They aren't staying out of church for the reasons you may think.

They are the unchurched. And because many church leaders and members have such misperceptions about them, churches often fail to reach them, or even attempt to reach them.

In one of the most comprehensive studies ever done on the unchurched, LifeWay Research, in partnership with the Billy Graham Center for Evangelism in Wheaton, surveyed 2,000 unchurched Americans. They defined "unchurched" as someone who has not attended a worship service in the last six months. One-third of the respondents were non-white. Genders were almost equally represented (53% male), and almost half have a high school diploma or less.

I want to unpack this massive research more in the future. For now, let's look at five surprising insights about the unchurched.

1. Most unchurched do indeed

have some church background.

Contrary to some perceptions, the great majority of unchurched have a church background. Almost two-thirds of them (62 percent) went to church regularly as a child.

2. Most unchurched quit church because they got out of the habit of churchgoing.

For certain, a number of them did leave churches for negative reasons, but that is not true of the majority.

3. One-third of the unchurched have plans to go to church in the future.

Please read that statement carefully. One of three unchurched Americans are actually planning to return to church. Is your church actively inviting them?

4. The unchurched are very open to a gospel conversation.

Nearly half (47%) would interact freely in such a conversation. Another third (31%) would listen actively without participating. Pause for a moment. Look at those numbers. Almost eight of ten unchurched Americans would welcome a gospel. Another 12% would discuss it with some discomfort, and only 11% would change the subject as soon as possible. We can't use the poor

excuse that the unchurched really aren't interested in gospel conversations. In reality, church members are more likely not to be interested in initiating gospel conversations.

5.If you invite them, they will come. About a year ago, I received requests to provide a framework for churches to invite people to church. We called it "**Invite Your One.**" We are now getting responses from churches that have initiated this ministry, and we are blown away at what God is doing. Among the unchurched, 55% said they would attend church if invited by a family member. And 51% said they would attend church if invited

by a friend or neighbor. These numbers are staggering. The opportunities are incredible.

I have been involved in church research and practice for four decades, a testament to both my passion and elderly status. These data confirm my anecdotal observations that there has never been a more opportune time to connect with the lost and unchurched.

It's truly an incredible opportunity.

But I wonder how many churches will seize this God-given moment.



St Columba's Church, Taradale

Brokenness to Beauty

The Story of Easter

Join us for our Easter Services

Palm Sunday

9 April, 9.30am

Featuring a children's play

Good Friday

14 April, 9.30am

Easter Sunday

16 April, 9.30am

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24 to Double

Over the past few months Brett has been talking about renewal of the church that focusses around a few key facets such as using our talents, being invitational, working in teams according to our Skills and gifts, creating worship that is inspirational, creating a great first impression with our welcome and more.

This is undergirded by some basic beliefs:

- ♦ God loves all people – including those who are not part of the church. He is the good shepherd who is seeking the lost sheep, the Father waiting for his prodigal son. This is the necessity of outreach, and care.
- ♦ God has given all in the church spiritual gifts and as we use them we can be effective in making a difference in the world and will build up the church (Eph 4:11, 1 Cor 12)
- ♦ The church is a body with different parts – but works together as a whole. Being a part of a team allows Christ's work to flourish.

The Parish review held in 2016 challenged us to look at our worship, our outreach and our leadership development.

“Parish Challenges and Obstacles: St Columba's aging congregation and attracting families and younger people were identified as very real challenges. Relating to these, the challenge of ministering effectively to both groups was also identified. The fact that the parish needs people to step up into leadership roles was seen as an important challenge....”

They also suggested “that Session researches new approaches to ministry and ways of doing church.” And one of their final recommendations was “Exploring opportunities for family-focused events is one example of how this could progress. **The need for a team ministry approach is vital here.**”

The program that is guiding us to implement these changes is called “24 to double.” It says with training and careful implementation you could see your church double its impact and double its attendance within 24

months. Brett has talked a little about a “Dream team” that refers to any and all who want to be a part of exploring these issues and seeking to implement them. The Dream team is meeting on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7pm.

It is being recommended that we develop several teams to cover each vital area of church life. Some of these teams may have sub-teams – e.g. there are different teams for Children and for youth, or the organisation of the mid week service is different from the regular Sunday service.

Team 1: Outreach

Team 2: First Impressions (Welcome)

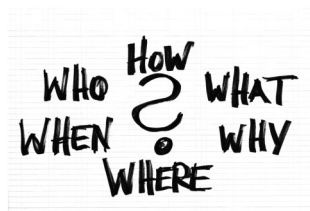
Team 3: Art and technology

Team 4: Worship

Team 5: Care and Follow Up

Team 6: Small groups

Team 7: Children and youth



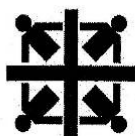
Above all is it about creating a process for us to think though all we do, and helping us do things better:

1. How do we get people to visit our services? We need to become more invitational. It is said “Of those who do not attend church, 82 percent say they would visit a church if personally invited.” The aim is to have 4 special services per year where we make a big effort to invite people. This includes our Christmas and Easter services. This is outreach.
2. How do we get people to come back a second time. First impressions says that a person has often decided whether they like something within the first 7 minutes. This means that small things really matter like “Can they find a car park, are the people welcoming, do the buildings show the people care, is it easy to find where their kids go to classes? (First impressions team.)
3. How do we get people to come back a second time also ties in with Care and follow up. What process do we use to get people’s names and contact details? I liked the analogy of dating I heard. “So the

first date goes well – what if no one ever phoned to book the second date.” This process suggests that we invite people to a meet the pastors breakfast or lunch and that we intentionally invite them to participate in what we are doing the following Sundays, and have a simple orientation process to the church, who we are and what we are about.

4. The areas of art and technology and worship and 2 crucial teams as well. Using all the senses and familiar media available to communicate the message is basic rather than simply relying on a preacher. Worship that is meaningful, relevant and uplifting is also key.

This may sound a little overwhelming but we are being challenged to treat the church like a cruise liner not a jet boat. A jet boat can dart all over the place, changing course in seconds, if a cruise liner tried that it would lurch over and all the people on board will feel sick. We are already doing many of the things we need to do and the aim is to do them better and more consistently. We hope you will continue on this journey with us as we seek to put in place the recommendations of the review committee.



CHRISTIAN LOVELINK

CHURCHES HELPING PEOPLE

We need **more workers** to enable us to help those less fortunate in our community.

We need several people to assist in our warehouse to sort goods and make up orders for the families we assist. This role is shared, so if you can do 2 mornings per week that would be great.

For more information – and to discuss how you might be able to help, please call :
Ian Jones
06 843 9803 (mornings)
027 445 8771

Presbytery Central Gathering Report, March 2017

Seven people from St Columba were among the 170 from 55 parishes who attended an interesting day at St Alban's Church, Palmerston North on 25 March.

Keynote speakers were Rev Stuart Lange from Laidlaw college, Auckland, and Dr Pauline Simonson, Palmerston North.

Rev Lange's entertaining talk was about Martin Luther and the Reformation, when he posted his thesis on the door of the church at Wittenburg, Germany, 500 years ago, this October. Much to the annoyance of the then Pope, who labeled him a heretic.

Martin questioned the authority of the church with its many "indulgences" requiring payment, as against the authority of scripture, showing the righteousness of God to whom we are received, by faith. Martin translated the scriptures from Latin into German. The birth of the Lutheran Church.

Dr Simonson expounded on the Lutheran philosophy saying that the Law demands, but the Gospel gives. Let the Gospel prevail.

After lunch, I attended Dr Kevin Tate's talk on climate change and how we need to reduce carbon emissions.

Later I sat in on "Called to Care" presented by Rev Paul Ranby, a very experienced visitor of sick people. He gave some good insights regarding the challenge of pastoral care. Some of the skills required are to be able to recognise a need, assess the situation, act appropriately and be a good listener.

About 90 of us stayed for the evening meal, put on for us at a local hotel. The after dinner speaker was Rev Peter MacKenzie who is the new Executive Secretary of Presbytery. Peter had spent a year in the district of Caithness in Scotland and gave an amusing insight into the local and sometimes quaint customs of the various churches in that area.

Just a few of my thoughts of the day.

Robin Arnold

What a friend we have in Jesus

This tremendous hymn tells us of Gods amazing grace . A true friend, all our needs and sorrows bear, bring it to the Lord in prayer, how often do we realise and turn to him in these circumstances.

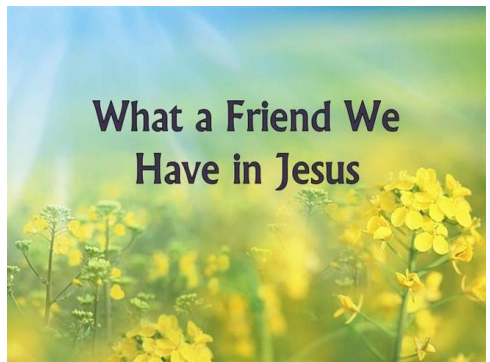
Joseph Scriven.

In 1844 Joseph , a young man from Dublin in Ireland ,had just graduated from University and became engaged to his childhood sweetheart. The day before they were to marry they were riding out to meet each other when his fiancée was thrown from her horse and landed in the river where she drowned. The bottom of his world dropped away.

Joseph was devastated but turned to God for consolation and guidance. He could no longer stay in Ireland where there was so much pain for him, so he left and went to Ontario Canada, and settled on the banks of Port Hope. He devoted his life to helping people in need. He could be seen walking the lanes with his saw looking for people who needed him to cut firewood or help in other ways. He would not work for money but would only to help widows, the sick or poor and people in need. He spent 40 years living in

the light of charity and faith and for his acts of kindness, he became Known as the Samaritan of Port Hope.

He spent many years tutoring the children of a retired sea captain. He met and fell in love with one of the Captain's nieces. They were to be married but tragedy hit him again when Elisa Rush developed pneumonia and died just weeks before their wedding.



Once again he found strength by turning to God who he looked upon as his closest friend. The following year he wrote a poem to his mother in Ireland. His words described this extraordinary friendship that had given him purpose and hope in the face of devastating pain.' What a friend we have in Jesus all our sins and grieves to bear, what a privilege to carry every thing to God

in prayer.. Oh what peace we often
forfeit oh what needless pain we
bear, all because we do not carry
every thing to God in prayer'. In
simple but eloquent language
Joseph Scriven, a man well
acquainted with pain, sorrow and
loneliness had defined to the world
the essence of a right relationship
with God. He saw his creator not as
an impersonal force to be heard but
as a loving Father and friend whose
greatest desire is to carry our
burdens and ease our pain.

His profound insight nearly a
century later still resounds to the
legacy of a timeless hymn.

He first published this poem
anonymously but revealed a
decade later that he and the Lord
had written this poem. This stands
as one of the most loved hymns of
all time.

Let us pray

*Loving God, who hears all our
prayers, knows all our pain and
sorrow, our joy, our laughter, our
tears and our deepest desires, grant
us peace and wisdom as we seek
you. As we gather all the needs of
your people in this Parish before
you, give us compassion and Grace.
In Your loving name we pray, Amen*

Pam Thrupp



Notices



Sermon Recording

Recent recordings of the sermon are available
on our Church website:

<http://www.stcolumba-taradale.org.nz/sermons/>

Kids Friendly Care Notices

Holiday Programme Baking

The April holiday programme starts after Easter.
If you are able to help with baking for the KFC kids
morning and afternoon teas, it would be greatly appreciated.

Volunteers needed

We need help with picking up children after school.
You would need a full licence. If we had at least three more
volunteers, you would be rostered on a minimum of one
day a week. Please contact Anna Neil (in
the Church office) if you can help.

St Columba's Kids Friendly Care

April Holiday Programme



18 April to 28 April

Trip Days for April

Tuesday 18 April



Thursday 20 April

Thursday 27 April



For more information contact Anna on 022 643 1691

What's On in April & May

Sunday	09	April	9.30am	Palm Sunday Service
			2.30pm	Patoka Service
Sunday	11	April	10.30am	Tuesday Church Service
Wednesday	12	April	7.00pm	Dream Team Meeting
Thursday	13	April	7.00pm	Movie Night—"Risen"
Friday	14	April	9.30am	Good Friday Service
Sunday	16	April	9.30am	Easter Sunday Service
Thursday	20	April	7.30pm	Board of Managers Meeting
Sunday	23	April	9.30am	Church Service
Tuesday	25	April	6.00pm	Women's Evening Fellowship
Thursday	27	April	7.30pm	Session Meeting
Sunday	30	April	9.30am	Church Service
Sunday	07	May	9.30am	Church Service
			1.30pm	Patoka Church Service
Tuesday	9	May	10.30am	Tuesday Church Service
Sunday	14	May	9.30am	Church Service
Thursday	18	May	7.30pm	Board of Managers Meeting
Sunday	21	May	9.30am	Church Service - Family Service
Tuesday	23	May	6.00pm	Women's Evening Fellowship
Thursday	25	May	7.30pm	Session Meeting
Sunday	28	May	9.30am	Church Service - Family Service

Regular events

Mondays	<i>House Group</i> Contact: Bob Wallis 844 5630	7.30pm - 9.00pm
Tuesdays	<i>Op Shop open</i> Contact: Cynthia Duncan 845 3539	10.00am - 4.00pm
	<i>Youth Group Massive Bible Study</i> Contact: Steve Demetrius 844 2734	6.00pm - 7.00pm
	<i>Tuesday Church Service</i> 2nd Tuesday of the month	10.30am - 11.30am
	<i>Women's Fellowship meeting</i> 4th Tuesday of the month	7.30pm
Wednesdays	<i>Mainly Music</i> Contact: Margaret 843 2272	9.30am - 10.30am
	<i>House Group @ Church</i> Contact: Brett Walker 844 2256	7.00pm - 8.30pm
	<i>Op Shop open</i> Contact: Cynthia Duncan 845 3539	10.00am - 4.00pm
	<i>Craft Group meet at the church</i> 1st Wednesday of the month Contact: Sue Walker 844 2256	7.00pm
Thursdays	<i>Mainly Music</i> Contact: Karen Jensen 843 9447	9.30am - 10.30am
	<i>Op Shop open</i> Contact: Cynthia Duncan 845 3539	10.00am - 4.00pm
	<i>Board of Managers meeting</i> 3rd Thursday of the month	7.30pm
	<i>Session meeting</i> 4th Thursday of the month	7.30pm
Fridays	<i>Massive Youth Group</i> Contact: Steve Demetrius 844 2734	7.00pm - 9.00pm
Sundays	<i>6789 Youth Group (fortnightly)</i> Contact: Steve Demetrius 844 2734	6.15pm - 7.30pm



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