

Worship Services May 2017

- May 7 11am St James Rev Coutts
9.30am St Paul's Rev Coutts Monthly Communion
- May 14 11am St James Rev Coutts Mothers' Day
9.30am St Paul's Rev Coutts
- May 21 11am Combined worship at St James'
- May 28 11am St James Rev Coutts
9.30am St Paul's Rev Coutts
- June 4 11am St James Communion Service
9.30am St Paul's Rev Coutts

Mid-Week Communion. Worship committee will be arranging mid-week communion services during May and June for persons who are unable to attend

Sunday morning communion.

Dates: Wednesday 17th May and Wednesday 21st at 2.30 pm. in the church lounge.

Communion Service followed by a cuppa and a chat. Transport available if required -

phone Jenny Marks on 308-9796

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COMBINED NEWSLETTER

May 2017



St Paul's Presbyterian Church
65 Oxford Street, Ashburton

St James Presbyterian Church
127 Thomson Street, Tinwald

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING'S

SUNDAY 21st MAY

2017

To be held immediately after combined service at St James. One group will meet in St James hall the other in there Lounge

As you look forward, are you viewing the future with fear -- or faith? As believers, we should move forward with confidence, based on the eternal truth of God's Word. Take your cue from Joshua. After 40 years in the wilderness, the Israelites are finally poised to enter the Promised Land when Moses dies! God tells Joshua, "You must lead My people across the Jordan River into the land I am giving them. Everywhere you go, you will be on land I have given you. For I will be with you ... I will not fail you or abandon you." (Joshua 1:2,3,5 excerpts). God had promised His people a land flowing with milk and honey, filled with vineyards they didn't plant and cities they didn't build. It was theirs for the taking. But first they would have to fight! So God fortifies Joshua for battle by exhorting him three times, "Be strong and courageous" (Joshua 1:6,7,9). In faith, Joshua leads the Israelites across the Jordan to a miraculous triumph over Jericho ... then to victory after victory throughout the land! But this was only possible because Joshua and his warriors took God at His word. And -- knowing the Lord was with them -- they could not fail! Today, God continues telling His people, "I will be with you! Be strong and courageous!"

[Forgiveness is the Key to Unlocking God's Miracle Power](#)

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Rosters for March 2017 St Paul's

Welcome:

April 30/May 7 J & J Crouchley

May 14/21 I Officer-Holmes 7
T Hurley

May 28/June 4 J & K Dowdle

Elder:

April 30/May 7 J Scott

May 14/21 J Marks

May 28/ June 4 I Page

Flowers:

April 30/May 7 B Arnst/I Porter

May 14—Sept B Arnst

Morning Tea:

May 7 T & a Gamblin

May 14 H & F Committee

May 28 H & F committee

Cleaning:

Till May 7 J Butterick/R Wylie

May 8-21 J Dowdle/P Cannen

May 22-June 4 M & G Hortin

Rosters for March 2017 St James

Welcome:

7 & 14 C Fleming

21 & 28 M Bishop

June 4 J Reeves

Elder:

7 & 14 E Armstrong

21 & 28 A Royds

June 4 M Bishop

Door:

7 & 14 J Reeves

21 & 28 E Jones

June 4 D McFarlane

Communion Elders:

M Reeves & R Scammell

Morning Tea/ Supper:

May 7 M McLeod & E Jones

May 14 L & D Burrige

May 21 A & R Scammell

May 28 D McFarland & M Twamley

June 4 A Royds, E&I Armstrong

Meetings and dates to remember

May 3 St James' Worship Committee meets 1.30pm

May 16 Parish councils' combined meeting @ St Paul's 7pm

May 17 St James' Women's Fellowship 1.30pm

May 18 Information due for newsletter

May 21 Tuarangi Home Service 2pm

May 21 Separate congregational meeting to follow worship

May 24 Terrace View service 11am

May 26 RSVP for Men's Tea due

May 30 Men's Tea at St James' 6pm

Dear members of St James' Parish

Thank you so much for thinking of us and our clients when you donated groceries, fruit and vegetables from your Harvest Thanksgiving service. We really appreciate this.

Truly it is better to give than to receive.

Blessings to you all

Regards

Jackie Girvan

Presbyterian Support

St James' Women's Fellowship

Wednesday, May 17

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17 at 1.30pm in the church lounge.

Speaker: Sharon Wilson from the China Sop

Devotions: Shirley Maw

Visiting and hostesses: Shona Thomas, Gay Lee, Suzanne Watson

Pool cars, leaving the church at 11.45am

Sales table.

Visitors welcome to join us.

Thank you

To the women of St James' Women's Fellowship

Thank you very much for the gift of \$350 for our ministry in Malawi.

We have had a restful home assignment and are now preparing to return to Malawi next week.

We appreciate your prayers and support.

God Bless

Diane and Jim Young

March 15, 2017

Rev John Coutts will conduct the following services at rest homes on behalf of St James' and St Paul's.

Sunday, May 21 at Tuarangi Home at 2pm

Wednesday May 24 at Terrace View at 11am

Your support is welcome.

A handy hint

The following spray can be used against rust, black spot, mildew and aphids. It can be sprayed all over leaves on dahlias, beans, tomatoes, courgettes, roses, etc. Make it up to five litres.

20mls cooking oil 2 tspn baking soda

20mls cider vinegar 20mls liquid potash

Dash of dish washing liquid.

Men's Tea

The first men's tea for 2017 will be held at St James' Church on Tuesday, May 30 beginning at 6pm.

The speaker is Don Geddes, who will speak on conservation work.

All men are welcome to attend.

Please let Dennis Burrridge, phone 308 5512, know if you wish to attend by Friday, May 26