



Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 01 June 2014

“Being the Gospel to all People”

A very warm welcome is extended
to all visitors to St Johns.

Morning tea and is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy some time with us

Today's theme: “Continuing in Christ's Life”

Focus Scripture John 17:1-11

Other Readings: Acts 1: 6-14, Psalm 68: 1-10, 1Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11



As this season draws to a close we see the early church slowly transforming, taking the experience of encountering the risen Christ and trying to find ways to make it real in their world. To continue the Christ life is to glorify God – not only with arms reaching up in praise, but with hands stretched out in service. It is as if the strangers in Acts 1 were challenging the disciples: “Looking up at the sky isn't going to bring Jesus back, but reaching out in acts of love and justice will keep Christ alive.”

John 17:1-11 (NIV) Jesus Prays to Be Glorified

17 After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ² For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³ Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

Jesus Prays for His Disciples ⁶ “I have revealed you ^[a] to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸ For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of ^[b] your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday Worship: 08 June 2014

Theme: "Pentecost Sunday"

Focus Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

Other Readings: Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b, 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13, John 20:19-23

Prayer points: Please pray for: Ray Chisholm with his illness; Jeannine's uncle with cancer treatment now finished and waiting on the next 3 weeks for the final results.

CHURCH NOTICES AND EVENTS:

ROSTERS:- We have a large number of congregation members away in June July and August and I am calling on anyone who would be able to help during these months with Ushering, Reading, Intercessors and Welcome Desk. If you would also like to help in any area permanently please contact me as soon as possible. Thank you Jeannine

Entertainment Books:- Hi everyone the entertainment books are here in the office again for \$65 if anyone would like to purchase one please contact me or leave a note on my desk on Sunday. For each book sold we raise \$13 to help towards our budget shortfalls so your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you Jeannine

School Holiday Programme 7-11 July 14 For the next holiday programme we will be needing plastic milk bottles, newspapers and cardboard boxes, so please can you start collecting and if you can put them in the main office for Jeannine. Thank you very much.

June Fellowship Meeting Be sure to keep Tues. 24 June free at 10.00a.m. to attend our Fundraiser movie BELLE at the Monterey Cinema in Howick. The price of \$15 includes coffee and a scone before the movie. \$3 goes to St Johns. The movie will begin at 10.30. Do invite your friends. We have a 40 seat cinema booked. This is a very good movie about the Abolition of Slavery and a charming love story. I loved it. Sign up on the clip board in the foyer and please pay Loas before 15 June when the deposit is due.

Homestay needed: A friend of the Korean Pastor, Joseph Lee, is looking for a Kiwi Homestay near the Maclean's zone. Please contact Lorraine if you may be able to assist.

Our House: This Monday 2 June from 9.30am for approximately 1 hour, followed by morning tea. Let's work on keeping our house clean together.

Trade Aid Stall: After church today, there will be a stall selling a range of Trade Aid's products including coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, dried fruits and greeting cards.

Real Life with John Cowan: This Sunday night (1st June) John Cowan's guest will be Netball New Zealand CEO, **Hilary Poole**.

On Behalf of the Property Team: Thank you for your contribution to the Thanksgiving Offering this year. We have continued our stewardship tradition and used it to replace the heating needs of the building. We have completed the installation of the heat pumps (did you notice😊) in the Worship Room. The remaining 40 year old heaters in the building will be replaced in coming weeks.

CHURCH PHONE BOOK The church phone book is due to be re printed. Please double check your entries in the phone book and please add or remove any information that is no longer relevant. Once this process is complete I will reprint the new book. If you are new to the church and wish for your details to be added please write your details on the blank pages added at the back. Please initial next to your name that you are happy for the details to still remain in the phone book and that they are correct. Thank you Jeannine

Anglican Bishops letters – A message from the Bishops of Aotearoa, The senior Bishop of the New Zealand Dioceses and the Bishop of Polynesia on same sex marriage is on the column in the foyer.

Bible in Schools:- They are in need of teachers for this year. If you are interested there is a print out of the details on the column in the foyer.

Service of Induction for The Revd Andrew Coyle as Vicar On Wednesday 4th June 2014 at 7:30pm 17 Selwyn Road Howick Refreshments to follow RSVP Joanne Rutherford allsaints@xtra.co.nz (09) 534 6864. The flyer is on the column in the foyer.

Children @ Risk Prayer Week 22-29 June. There are little brochures in the foyer on the small table to help you with the messages of prayer for children over this week please take one if you would like to help.

Caring for our World PresCare Art and Writing Competition. Further details are on the column in the foyer with entry forms if your children would be interested.

1 day ago — When reading Jesus' prayers, it's always advised to attend to the fine print. —

