



**St John's**  
Being the Gospel to all People

**Sunday  
8 May 2022**

A very warm welcome is extended to all visitors to St Johns. Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy.

**The Festival of Dedication:  
Festival of Lights  
(Hanukkah)**

**Scripture readings:** John 10:22-30 The Voice



<sup>22-23</sup> It was winter and time for the Festival of Dedication. While in Jerusalem, Jesus was walking through the temple in an area known as Solomon's porch, <sup>24</sup> and Jews gathered around Him.

Jews: How long are You going to keep us guessing? If You are God's Anointed, the Liberating King, announce it clearly.

Jesus: <sup>25</sup>I have told you, and you do not believe. The works I am doing in My Father's name tell the truth about Me. You do not listen; <sup>26</sup>you lack faith because you are not My sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep respond as they hear My voice; I know them intimately, and they follow Me. <sup>28</sup>I give them a life that is unceasing, and death will not have the last word. Nothing or no one can steal them from My hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father has given the flock to Me, and He is superior to all beings and things. No one is powerful enough to snatch the flock from My Father's Hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one.

**Next Sunday: 15 May 2022**

**Theme: Boundary Breaking**

**Scripture readings:** Acts 11: 1-18; Psalm 148;  
Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

**Prayer points for:** good health for Brenda; for a full recovery for all in our community testing positive for Covid; peace in Ukraine; for David Hall, Steph Brook, Sami Smart and families on the loss of their wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother Mary Hall; and for the safety of all frontline workers in health, emergency and essential services during this global pandemic.

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### **Connecting with life**

Oscar Romero famously said, “When I feed the poor, they call me a saint. When I ask why the poor are poor, they call me a communist.” Killed for his passion for justice and care of the needy, Romero still rises before us as an example of living faith.

**Q Who is a role model of living faith for you?**

**Q In what ways have they inspired or challenged your living?**

### **Scripture**

**John 10:22–30** reminds us that what Jesus does and says provides insight into the life of God. The works Jesus performs show that he is from God, but they also offer us the best picture we can hope for of what God is like. It is also a story of shepherding sheep. Jesus is a particular type of leader that challenges models of leadership with which we are familiar.

**Q In what ways do the words and deeds of Tabitha and Peter emulate the work of the Good Shepherd?**

**Q What does this say about living faith or life-giving acts?**

### **Connecting scripture and life**

Some traditions observe this day as Good Shepherd Sunday.

**Q How does your church serve as a shepherd?**

**THIS WEEK 8 May – 15 May**

#### **Sunday 8 May**

9.30 am Service in English and Mandarin

#### **Monday 9 May**

10 am Space programme (Worship Room)

#### **Tuesday 10 May**

7.30 pm Parish Council meeting

#### **Thursday 12 May**

7 – 9 pm East & Central Northern Presbytery meeting (upstairs hall)

#### **Friday 13 May**

9.15 am – noon Knitting Group (gallery)

#### **7 pm Youth Group**

recommences (upstairs community hall)

#### **Sunday 15 May**

9.30 am Communion Service in English and Mandarin

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## REMINDER

Covid is still present in the community. Please remain vigilant for symptoms.

Wear masks when attending church.

Stay at home if you are unwell. If you should test positive for Covid and have to self-isolate, let Alison at the Parish Office know if you need assistance.

## YOUTH GROUP

Recommences in person on Friday 13 May at 7 pm



### “Someone Called My Name”

#### **Grahame Drummond**

Foundation Minister at Bucklands Beach Cooperating Parish  
Early 1976 to December 1981

Graham has felt called to tell the story of his life in faith, life stories that show God’s presence.

Graham sent me this message:

*Greetings Trevor*

*This is the link to a series of stories (7 recorded) that witness to the power and presence of God. I trust they may catch the interest of people who we don’t catch up with at church and be some encouragement to the rest of us.*

<https://grahamedrummond.substack.com/p/someone-called-my-name-grahame-can?s=r>

or, in a shorter version:

<https://tinyurl.com/sz23hxbz>

*The accompanying script hasn’t got tacked on yet, but I trust it will be soon.*

*All the best,*

*Grahame*

Three podcasts are so far available – “Grahame can you take Maureen home”, Parts 1, 2 and 3, I thoroughly recommend them.

*Trevor Haigh*

You could also search Google //substack//sign in //Search for “Grahame Drummond”//life stories.

## CALLING ALL UPCYCLERS

If you have creative upcycling talents, you now have the chance to show your support for the **Auckland City Mission** in a different way! To take part in their ReMake challenge, purchase an item from an Auckland City Mission Op Shop, upcycle it and share your masterpiece on [Instagram](#), or their [website](#). There are great prizes to be won, donated by some generous businesses. The challenge runs until 22 May.

Sunday Services: English / Mandarin 9:30a.m. Office Hours: Tues & Thurs 9:00am – 2:00pm, Fri 9am-11am Phone: 534 2305 Email: <a href="mailto:office@stjohnsbb.org.nz">office@stjohnsbb.org.nz</a> Website: <a href="https://stjohnsbb.org.nz">https://stjohnsbb.org.nz</a>		
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	<b>This Week's Helpers (8 May)</b>	<b>Next Week's Helpers (15 May)</b>
Preacher	Rev Jeff Odhiambo	Pastor Wayne Huang
Musician	Winnie Wong	Rahil John
Projector	Jed Stanton	Daniel Smart
Sound Desk	TBA	Collin Francke
Reader	Michelle Cao	Trevor Haigh
Intercessor	Joan Rutherford	Mavis Haigh
HC set up	N/A	Rev Jeff Odhiambo
HC Serving team	N/A	Rev Jeff Odhiambo Joan Rutherford
Prayer ministry	Could this be you?	Could this be you?
Welcome Desk	An opportunity to serve here	An opportunity to serve here
Ushers	Jed Stanton	Trevor and Mavis Haigh
Counters	Derek Speer and Jeanette Li	Trevor Haigh, Christo John
Morning Tea	Betty Curd, Alicia Odhiambo	Uraiwan Jolly, Nessie Crawford