



# REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BUCKLANDS BEACH

15 July 2018

*We are a multicultural church committed to proclaiming the gospel of grace in East Auckland.*

## WELCOME TO VISITORS

We are so glad to have you with us! If you are visiting, we hope you will consider coming back to worship with us again. May God bless you today with his grace and peace.

### TODAY'S SERMONS

#### MORNING WORSHIP (10:30)

Jim van Rensburg

#### **"Good Works \_ We Were Made for It"**

Ephesians 2:1-10 (Isaiah 43:1-13)

#### EVENING WORSHIP (6:00)

George Fietje

#### **"Enoch Walked with God"**

*Written by Rev. Bill Oppelaar*

Genesis 5:18-24

(Hebrews 11:1-7, Jude vs. 14 & 15)

## PRAYER & CARE

Dear brothers and sisters.

Thank you for your prayers, visits, cards, phone calls, gifts, help and flowers, during the time I was not well. It was so good to know that you were thinking of me, what a blessing it is to have a church family. God is good! - Joyce Kraak

Warwick Worth will lead a boys camp at CYC Waihola (Dunedin) from 16 to 20 July with a number of volunteers from our church helping out. Please pray that God would work powerfully in the hearts and lives of all who attend.

Pastor Ryan will be on holiday from 9-22 July. If an urgent matter should arise while he is away, please contact the session clerk, Jim van Rensburg.

## BIRTHDAYS

Bernie Kant 15 July

Bruno Fedrizzi 18 July

Ben Cho 20 July

## LET'S GET TOGETHER!

Mark your calendar, for THIS Saturday (21st July) 7.00- 9.00pm for Dessert and Dress-up evening. Come dressed in a costume starting with the letter 'P' (optional) and show off your cooking skills with Winter warming desserts. More details to follow.

## SHORT REPORT FROM THE SESSION

Session met on 28 June. We reviewed a number of discussion points and outcomes from the AGM. (One of which was to resume placing written reports in the newsletter.) The trial run for elders to fill the role of "service leader" was reviewed. The review will carry over to the next meeting. In the interim we return to standard practice. Plans are now underway to offer the first Tuesday night Training Course which will begin on 14 August. A number of other items were also discussed and Censura Morum was also observed. The next meeting is set for 26 July.

## CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY

We are exploring a new ministry partnership that will build up the financial strength of church members and community members alike. A few of our number have already attended training events and are ready to help us launch our first Money Course. CAP is sending a speaker, Ben Mai, to visit us this Sunday morning and tell us more. In the meantime, please go to [capnz.org](http://capnz.org) to learn more.

## YOUTH

Youth group meetings are on hold for the school holidays. Our next event will be a mid-winter favourite, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August. Save the date and tell your friends. More details will follow closer to the time.

## AGM 2018: SHORT REPORT

Our annual AGM was held on 13 June with 55 in attendance. A 30 page unified ministry report, prepared by the Session, was received and discussed. Requests were made for more frequent communication from the Session and for greater availability of sermons both in print and audio. The financial status of the church was presented with an emphasis on anticipated expenses for the coming year. A budget was passed with the understanding that the congregation will need to significantly increase its giving. This increase amounts to \$12 per week per giving unit. The Session also presented a number of initiatives that are in the works. Including: Tuesday evening training events, a new outreach ministry with Christians Against Poverty, and the return of church-wide social events.

*Minutes from the meeting are available upon request.*

## BIBLE IN SCHOOLS TEACHER NEEDED

A teacher is needed at Sunnyhills Primary School, Pakuranga, for Vanessa Cammell's Year 3 class of 7-year-olds, on Tuesdays from 12-12:30 p.m., from next Term. Could you use this opportunity to reach children in the community with the message of the Bible, or know someone who might take up this challenge? If so, please contact Joyce Larsen, phone 534 1665.

### ELECTRONIC GIVING

Christ calls upon his people to give generously to the work of his church. If you would like to make an electronic bank payment, please use the following account information. Be sure to include your name or number in the reference, and if the donation is for a special purpose: **REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BUCKLANDS BEACH 38-9007-0636045-00**

### THIS WEEK...

15 July	Sunday	NO Sunday School and Catechism ( <i>resumes 29 July</i> ) 10.30am Morning Worship 6.00pm Evening Worship
16 July	Monday	NO Cadets & GEMS ( <i>resumes 30 July</i> )
18 July	Wednesday	NO Ladies Coffee & Craft ( <i>resumes 25 July</i> ) NO LABS Class ( <i>resumes 25 July</i> )
19 July	Thursday	NO LABS Class ( <i>resumes 26 July</i> )
21 July	Saturday	7.00pm Dessert and Dress-up Evening

ROSTER	CLEANING	CRECHE	TEA	GREETING	HYMNALS
15 July	F & J Marais P & K Strayton	Shalome Sarah	Tineke Nicola	Bas & Tineke	Caleb J.
22 July	J Mei & S Feng Jenny Kim	Jeanette B Alexander	Jeanette B. Carol	Jim & Adri	Sheunesu
29 July	R & S Vandenberg* S & Y Sui	Melissa Emily	Susan J Rosemary	Sophie F, Rosemary W Joyce Larsen, Jenny Kim	Austen
5 August	K & S Madaravirashe L & D Snyders	Nicola Kezialine	Gerda Yvonne	Frans & Cindy	Caleb S.

Please remember to **email in your submissions** by 9.00pm Wednesday evening to bucklands.news@gmail.com.