

Otaki-Waikanae Presbyterian Parish



Parish News
21 September 2025

Christ Centred  **Community Serving**
Welcome to our church

This Week's Service

Sunday 21 September

9.15 am Waikanae Morning Worship

Duty Elder: Pat Smyth

Readings: Luke 8:22-25, Psalm 79

Hymns: TIS454, O Word Of God Incarnate,
TIS621, TIS447, FFS29

10.50 am Otaki Morning Worship

Next Week's Service

Service Rosters 28 September 2025

9.15 am Waikanae Morning Worship

Duty Elder: Pat Smyth

Door Steward: Dot Le Prou

Reader: Tralee Sugrue

Mission TBA

10.50 am Otaki Morning Worship

Door Steward: Quentin Christie
Heather Watson

Worship Coordinator Margie Upson

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Join us for our service this Sunday
via Live Stream

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85681409020?
pwd=4SkTe6ldEz2b4Llx0Djlafldl91pr.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85681409020?pwd=4SkTe6ldEz2b4Llx0Djlafldl91pr.1)

Meeting ID: 856 8140 9020

Passcode: 616680

PLEASE MUTE YOUR COMPUTER DURING THE SERVICE

Access the same way as Monday Bible Study.



We are updating the
Parish Telephone Directory

If you would like to be added, removed
or have any changes please contact the
office on 04 293 6987 or
email office@owpresb.nz

Jacqui will be on annual leave from Monday
6 October, returning on Monday 13 October.

If you have any items for the newsletter for the week
ending 12 October please forward to the office by
Tuesday 30 September or it will **not** be included.

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WAIKANAE BISCUIT BLESSING

As you know the focus of our Biscuit Blessing has changed slightly.

The people this month are
Heather, Amira & Sumar
and

Rose, Ian and their daughter

The message with the biscuits reads:

This baking comes with the thoughts and prayers of the people of the Presbyterian Church, Waikanae. Please enjoy them yourself, or share them, hence passing on the blessing to others.



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GARAGE SALE and CAFÉ KITCHEN AT OTAKI CHURCH 249 MILL ROAD, OTAKI 20 September 2025— 8am start



Lots of bargains at
the garage sale

Tea, Coffee and yummy treats at
the cafe kitchen



We would love to see you there!

**Also any donations for the sale are always
gratefully received.**

Saturday Morning Fellowship

Saturday, September 27, 10.30-12 midday.

For the next 3 months, this will take the form of a
Wisdom cafe, where we can share lived wisdom on a
common question.

The question for this time is around one's *childhood home*.

Please bring a small plate to share.

Any questions, phone Margie 0220878986

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UPCOMING EVENT

Rev. Peter Jackson's 70th Birthday

Otaki Presbyterian Church Hall

Date - November - day to be confirmed

2.00 to 4.00 pm

Ladies please wear either a dress or skirt,
with a hat and grandma's fur stole
(if you have one)

Gents please wear a bow tie, hat and
tiepin

Cheese, crackers, cake, etc.

Tea & coffee will be available, bring your own
wine or soft drinks.

Big Band Music
(any suggestions much appreciated)

Games will be played and please bring
something to do - a poem or song,
a dance or magic trick.

You will be asked to do something so please
be prepared.

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BUILDING BRIDGES

Timing is everything—so they say. While travelling to Gisborne recently I thought that my timing was okay to get me over the bridge before it closed at 10am—but the road cones came out early and meant I had to go the long way around. The temporary Bailey Bridge at Waikare was being removed and a new bridge installed. The only detour was via Taupo and Opotiki. It was a long day.

None of our journeys are without incident—road trips or life. There are times when our familiar routes are cut off and we have to find a new way to move forward. Life's journey is sometimes disrupted by an unexpected landslide or brought about by regular wear and tear. As a church we are on a faith journey and the road is not clearly marked. Stuff happens on the way—a key leader leaves or dies, a building or equipment stops working, new regulations force changes, or we simply run out of energy.

On my trip to Gisborne I had hoped to pass by Chimney Creek, just north of Putorino where my grandparents cooked for the Ministry of Works Camp (for railway workers). Instead I passed by Awakeri (outside of Whakatane) where the family had been before moving south. The detour became the journey and provided space for something new to be discovered.

Pray this week for “road works” across our churches—for calm when the journey is disrupted, for courage to take a different path, for patience while waiting, for peace on the trip and for love to be ever present.

Pray that we might keep the end goal of God's Kingdom in sight, even as the road directly ahead is uncertain. Pray that we might be encouragers for the journey of faith in all that we say and do.

Peter MacKenzie Executive Secretary



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CAFÉ RENDEZVOUS

WAIKANAE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

43 NGAIO RD WAIKANAE

1st Tuesday each Month

11:30 FREE COFFEE AND TEA

12:00 FREE MEAL OF THE DAY

ALL WELCOME

Gluten Free catered for

Voluntary Koha

Thanks to Kaibosh & Waikanae Butchery

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Mission	Main Contact People	Contact Numbers
Kapiti Hidden Books	Yvonne and John Miller	04 2389663
Biscuit blessing	Annie Christie - Otaki Dot Le Prou - Waikanae	027 480 4803 021297 9144
Christian World Service	Marion Brash	04 293 1932
Bible Society	Marion Brash	04 293 1932
Café Rendezvous	Peter Jackson Dot, Penny, Destine Helen, Lisa	021207 9455
Garage Sale	Meri Risati-Garratt Kevin, Heather	021456 562
Saturday Morning Café & Sale	Lois Gemmell, Annie Christie Heather Craig	
Wednesday Fun Club	Heather Watson	06 364 8391
Sausage Sizzle	Roger Upson Margaret B, Sue, John	022 397 4782
Skills Sharing	Lois Gemmell	06 364 0993
Te Awhi Rito	Peter Jackson Lois, Quentin, Roger, Margie, Margaret S, Sheree	021207 9455
Messy Church	Adair Anderson, Katie Lewis	027 774 1041
Christian Broadcasting Service		

Daily Bible Readings

Monday 22 September

Ezra 1:1-6

Ps 126

Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday 23 September

Ezra 6:7-8,12,14-20

Ps 124

Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday 24 September

Ezra 9:5-9

Ps 103:1-6

Luke 9:1-6

Thursday 25 September

Haggai 1:1-8

Ps 149:1-5

Luke 9:7-9

Friday 26 September

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Ps 43

Luke 9:18-22

Saturday 27 September

Zech 2:1-5,10-11

Ps 125

Luke 9:43b-45

MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

**Follow the
Word not the
herd**

Parish Contact Details

Minister: The Rev. Peter Jackson

phone: 06 364 8759 (home) 021 207 9455 (mob)

email: minister@owpresb.nz

Rev. Peter Jackson is available to meet
with you:

Monday in Waikanae from 2.00-3.00pm

Thursday in Otaki

from **11.00-12.00pm**

Please contact the office for an appointment.

Parish Clerk: Glenda John

027 329 5440

email: parishclerk@owpresb.nz

Parish Office: Jacqui Hurley

Hours: Waikanae 9:00am to 12:00pm Monday,

Wednesday, Thursday

Otaki 9:00am to 12:00pm Tuesday

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43 Ngaio Road, Waikanae

Offerings: Can be paid by Direct Debit into:

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Church Bank Account—Otaki Waikanae Presbyterian Parish

