

Otaki-Waikanae Presbyterian Parish



Parish News
9 March 2025

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

This Week's Service

Sunday 9 March 2025

**9.15 am Waikanae Morning Worship/
Confirmation**

Duty Elder: Arnold Hawkins

Reflection Ian McKinnon and Peter Jackson

Readings: 1 Samuel 3:1-21, Romans 12:4-13

Hymns: Let Us Build A House, TIS417, May The
Lord, TIS589, TIS658, TIS623

10.50 am Otaki Café Church

Next Week's Service

Service Rosters 16 March 2025

9.15 am Waikanae Morning Worship

Duty Elder: Pam Collinge

Door Steward: Dot Le Prou

Reader: John Miller

Prayers of the people: Owen Dance

10.50 am Otaki Morning Worship

Door Stewards: Janice King
Heather Watson

Worship Coordinator Janice King

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Join us for our service this Sunday
via Live Stream

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82645360098?
pwd=XqDYulSBSEX3lwqL2fWj7L3tfR6xMX.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82645360098?pwd=XqDYulSBSEX3lwqL2fWj7L3tfR6xMX.1)

Meeting ID: 826 4536 0098

Passcode: 552473

PLEASE MUTE YOUR COMPUTER DURING THE SERVICE
Access the same way as Monday Bible Study.



Otaki Waikanae Parish is inviting you to a
scheduled Zoom meeting Monday at 7pm

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87645026965?
pwd=4lcQqfMf5mjllLKyLxLsb1VdadAxH5.1](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87645026965?pwd=4lcQqfMf5mjllLKyLxLsb1VdadAxH5.1)

Meeting ID: 876 4502 6965

Passcode: 691368

All welcome to attend!

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The service this Sunday is a
Confirmation Service
followed by morning tea.



Please bring a plate
with something tasty
to share

The Ordination and Induction Service
of Elders has been postponed

GARAGE SALE AT OTAKI CHURCH
249 MILL ROAD, OTAKI
8 March 2024 — 8AM START



Lots of bargains in the Garage
We would love to see you there!

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

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NEXT LUNCHEON:

12noon, Monday 10 March, at
Olive Grove Café, Mahara Place, Waikanae.
Lets get together over a good meal with good friends.
All Welcome.

Names please to Trish Tennant,
Phone 027 241 7910 or
Email trishandrod1@gmail.com
no later than Sunday, 9 March
so numbers can be advised.

BISCUIT BLESSING

For January the biscuit
blessing is with Waikanae Swimming Pool.
Very gratefully received



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Arnold Watson

I was born in New Zealand, but my earliest childhood memory is of me as a four year old praying with my great-aunt by the side of the bed in the Lake District of England. So I guess that that experience set me up for life. I went religiously to Sunday school and Bible class every Sunday at St Aiden's church in Linden. There were 3 Sunday services in those days. I cannot recall a single time when I deliberately did not attend church.

Interestingly enough, my two younger brothers both permanently stopped church attendance whilst they were still at primary school.

I also attended the weekly Crusaders (Scripture Union) meetings at college.

I was confirmed in my mid teens, but it was more a ritual for me that you just went through and I can't say that it made a difference to my life at the time. I knew about Jesus, but I didn't "know" Him. Having very religious in England, I found the spiritual apathy in the church to be very discouraging and I felt that something was missing, but I didn't know what. Why weren't people enthusiastic about their religion?

At the end of my Form 7 year I stopped going to church altogether, as it seems did the rest of my Bible-class mates. There was no program for transitioning into young adults at the church.

In my first year at university there were several clubs to join, but they didn't really give me satisfaction. In those days the "Jesus Revolution" was in full swing and by the middle of the year I had been lured into the Christian Union and started attending an Apostolic church in Wellington, which was located in a lovely old building with a congregation which included many young and on-fire people. I felt very much at home and that this was the spiritual kick I needed. This was what had been missing in my life.

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However, in time I started regularly attending the Porirua Apostolic church, which was 90% Māori. It wasn't long before I also built up strong relationships with Samoan and Tokelau communities and felt at home in their churches too. Such a change from my college days, when the students were predominantly Pakeha.

When I was at university I worked as a vacation worker at Porirua Hospital and enjoyed caring for the psychiatric patients. Some years later I saw an advert for people to apply for jobs there on the proviso that you would do enrolled nurse training. Something drew me back to the hospital, as I had very much enjoyed working there. And the rest is history.

I moved to Otaki several years ago to care for my mother who had developed Alzheimer's. She had very many happy memories of her association with the local Presbyterian church, especially cafe church and the monthly car boot sales, where she joined a group of friends who seated at trestles which filled the whole width of the room. I have stayed on at her little unit ever since and have fitted into the Otaki lifestyle. I feel that this is where I am meant to be.....for the time being, anyway. The only downside is a 3 hour return trip to work each day, as I choose to leave my motorcycle at Waikanae and use the train and shank's pony to complete the journey. Christianity is an important part of my life. Wherever I am, in New Zealand or overseas, I will make every effort to attend church.

Arnold

In accordance with Presbytery guidelines, if there are any objection to the life, work or character of Arnold Watson, who is to be ordained as an elder of the Otaki Waikanae Presbyterian Parish, please notify the Parish Clerk

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CAFÉ RENDEZVOUS

WAIKANAE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

43 NGAIO RD WAIKANAE

TUESDAYS

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	027 480 4803
	Dot Le Prou - Waikanae	021297 9144
Christian World Service	Marion Brash	04 293 1932
Bible Society	Marion Brash	04 293 1932
Café Rendezvous	Peter Jackson	021207 9455
	Dot, Penny,	
	Helen, Olive, Lisa	
Garage Sale	Meri Risati-Garratt	021456 562
	Kevin, Heather	
Saturday Morning Café & Sale	Jan Ballantyne	06 364 6449
	Lois Gemmell, Annie Christie	
	Heather Craig	
Sausage Sizzle	Roger Upson	022 397 4782
	Margaret B, Sue, John	
Skills Sharing	Lois Gemmell	06 364 0993
Te Awhi Rito	Peter Jackson	021207 9455
	Lois, Quentin, Roger, Margie,	
	Margaret S, Sheree	
Messy Church	Adair Anderson, Katie Lewis	027 774 1041
Christian Broadcasting Service	Janet Todd	04 293 5928
Café Church	Jan Ballantyne	06 364 6449

Daily Bible Readings

Monday 10 March

Lev 19:1-2,11-18

Ps 19:7-end

Matt 25:31-end

Tuesday 11 March

Isa 55:10-11

Ps 34:4-6,21-22

Matt 6:7-15

Wednesday 12 March

Jonah 3

Ps 51:1-4,16-17

Luke 11:29-32

Thursday 13 March

Esther 14:1-5,12-14

Ps 138

Matt 7:7-12

Friday 14 March

Ezek 18:21-28

Ps 130

Matt 5:20-26

Saturday 15 March

Deut 26:16-end

Ps 119:1-8

Matt 5:43-end

MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

**You cannot
unsay a cruel
word**

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

phone: 04 293 6987

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43 Ngaio Road, Waikanae

Offerings: Can be paid by Direct Debit into:

06 0592 0094011 00

Church Bank Account—Otaki Waikanae Presbyterian Parish

