Moderator's Advent Message

Prepare Yourself

Advent is the season of preparation; when Christians get ready, focus, and plan in anticipation for Christmas. This year may be very different from any other Christmas due to Covid-19.

Preparation is the keyword.

Advent begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas, this year 29 November. We, the Church, recall our hopes and expectancy in the comings of Christ - past, present, and future. Christmas will always be Christmas. That magical day when we celebrate the

Baby of Bethlehem.

Whether it be in the snow of the Northern Hemisphere or be in the warm summer of the Southern hemisphere, it is a wonderful season of hope, love, peace, and joy. Let's be prepared in mind, heart, and attitude. Let's be prepared for whatever coronavirus restrictions we may face.

This is a wonderful season for each one of us to strive to clear the deck. Remove any unnecessary baggage that has accumulated over the year. Prepare yourself for the baby of Christmas, Jesus.

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NEXT WEEK'S TEAM

Service Leader Hannah T-H **Preacher** Richard D Worship Hannah T-H Prayers for Others

Helen & Alastair M

Bible Reading James L

Door Greeting Graeme W/Debbie G

Children's Talk Advent

Tracey & Nigel J Mornina Tea

Debbie G

Sound/Data Raymond Y/Rachel E

Vmix/Camera Phil D/Anna C **Duty Elder** Pauline L **Prayer Ministry** Don L Welcome Campbells Offering Debbie G

Set up Graham H/Alex S/Craia

Koh. Hill. Foote Playground

LEITH VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday 29 November 2020



Welcome to worship with us this morning! If you are visiting today please help yourself to a WELCOME PACK from the back table. We'd love you to leave us a contact form so we can get back in touch. Hand this to the Service Leader, or leave on the welcome table.

Today: Paul Trebilco

First Sunday of Advent

'And the Word became flesh and lived among us'

John 1:14

SERVICE LEADER:

HANNAH T-H PREACHER: RICHARD D

WORSHIP: LOVELOCKS

DUTY ELDER:

BARRY C



JOHN 1 TODAY'S 1-18 READING

Growing Great Community Seeking God's Kingdom

Today's Team

Door Greeting: Phil & Clair S Pravers for Others: Clare I. Bible Readings: Don L Sound: Ged F Data Projection: Mark L Vmix: Dan S Camera: Freva P Welcome: Judith F

Set up Team: Offering Counter: Morning tea:

Praver Ministry: Playground: Lock-up:

Phil & Clair, Brian S Trudie C

Kristin & Susan J

Judith F Nigel J

Potter, Bary, Yeo

Ged F

Leith Notices

CHILDREN AND YOUTH AT LEITH

- Sparklers (ages 0-5) today in the staff room.
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 Kidztime (years 1-6) today in the Learning Centre.
- Junior Youth (years 7-10) Meet in Room 18.
- Senior Youth (years 9-13) Tuesdays 7pm-9pm @ Leith Valley

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregational meeting after church today, to discuss the proposed budget for next year.



Prayer by Zoom:

Wednesdays 6.30am, Saturdays 8.00am

FOOD FOR THE SOUL

Meets 10-11am on Fridays @ Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St. All families who are recipients of food parcels are invited to attend for morning tea, as are any members of the congregation who would like to help. If you can donate, items needed at the present are: tea, coffee, Milo etc, personal hygiene items, pasta. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS AND END OF YEAR HAPPENINGS AT LEITI

Taonga Christmas afternoon with Leith Valley Staff 2pm Tuesday 1 December @ Leith Valley Church



Mainly Music Christmas Special 10am Wednesday 2 December

Kidztime Break Up and All-Age Service Sunday 13 December 10am at George St

Last service at George St 20th December

Christmas Eve Service, at Leith Valley Church 5.30pm with BBO

Opportunities

A ROCHA DUNEDIN.

with 'Save the Otago Peninsula' will meet at Smiths Creek, Bacon St, Turnbulls Bay, on Sunday November 29th at 1.30pm. Contact Phil Scadden 027 3463 185 if

you need or can provide transport. Check A Rocha facebook for any cancellation notice.

also....

...introducing

ECO CHURCH NZ AND **ZERO WASTE PROGRAMME** FOR CHURCHES.

Monday 30 November 7-8.30pm At Dunedin Elim Church, Harrow St All welcome.

Job Vacancy

Part-time Administrator

at Kaikorai Presbyterian Church 8-10 hours per week. Experience with MYOB or other accounts background preferred. Enquiries to

phil dunn@hotmail.com or kaikorai.olive@gmail.com

ADVENT PROCESSIONAL

Music and Readings for Advent at Knox Church Dunedin With Knox Church Choir Sunday 29 November - 7pm All Welcome, Admission free Organist Choir

Director: Karen Knudson Part of a service led by Rev Anne Thomson



HELD FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS.

If you can supply baking for International Students' packs please bring it to church next Sunday 6 December or drop it off at church before that date. For more information contact the University Chaplains chaplains@otago.ac.nz

STUDYING THEOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers many opportunities for the study of Theology, Church History, Ministry, Biblical Studies, and Pastoral Theology, both on-campus and to many students across Aotearoa New Zealand through its successful distance study programme.

New enrolments for 2021 are due by December 10th. For details of papers go to: https://www.otago.ac.nz/ theology/study/papers/ or see posters on the noticeboard.

To enrol go to https:// www.otago.ac.nz/study/ enrolment/