### 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.



Right Rev Fakaofo Kaio, Moderator, PCANZ

#### **CHURCH OFFICE** 267 Malvern St, Leith Valley admin@leithvalley.org.nz Phone: 467-9208 Website: www.leithvalley.org.nz MINISTER Richard Dawson email: richard.dawson@leithvalley.org.nz 027 224 2026 STUDENT SOUL Tom Mepham 027 337 1703 CHILDREN AND YOUTH Miranda Fairmaid 027 518 7360 Children Daniel Sim 022 397 3430 Youth Pastor **OFFICE STAFF** Bronwyn Miller, Manager accounts@leithvalley.org.nz 027 6099432 Hannah Thompson-Holloway, worship 027 9199310 admin@leithvalley.org.nz Fran Dawson 027 456 1188 PARISH CLERK 021 852 291

Ged Forbes **CHURCH BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER** 030883 0620501-00

NEXT W	ÆEK'S TEAM
Service Leader	Miranda F
Preacher	N/A
Worship	Hannah T-H
Prayers for Others	N/A
Bible Reading	N/A
Door Greeting	Kidztime
Children's Talk	N/A
Morning Tea	Rachel & Nick B
	Jan S
Sound/Data	Ged F/Bronwyn B
Vmix/Camera	Phil D/Keryn H
Duty Elder	Aidan S
Prayer Ministry	Robyn & John
Welcome	Bronwyn M
Offering	Bronwyn B
Set up	Simon, Paul
Playground	Pettigrew, Shotbolt,

Caldwell

### 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

Growing Great Community to the Service Leader, or leave on the welcome table. **Today:** peace **Richard Dawson** Second Sunday of Advent 'For he himself is our peace...' Seeking God's Kingdom Ephesians 2:14a **SERVICE LEADER:** DUTY HANNAH T-H ISAIAH 32: **ELDER:** TODAY'S **PREACHER:** 14-20 READING ROMANS 8: **RICHARD D** PAULINE L 5-11 WORSHIP: HANNAH T-H Today's Team Door Greeting: Graeme W/Debbie G Graham, Alex, Craig Set up Team: Pravers for Others: Helen & Alastair M Offering Counter: Debbie G Bible Readings: James L Morning tea: Tracev & Nigel Sound: Raymond Y Debbie G **Data Projection:** Rachel E Don L Praver Ministry: Vmix: Phil D **Playground:** Koh, Hill, Foote Anna C Camera: Lock-up: Craig C Welcome: Campbells

## Leith Notices

#### CHILDREN AND YOUTH AT LEITH

- Sparkiers (ages 0-5) today in the staff room.
  Kidztime (years 1-6) today in the Learning Centre. • Sparklers (ages 0-5) today in the staff room.
- Junior Youth (years 7-10) Meet in Room 18.
- Senior Youth (years 9-13) In recess for the summer.

# Upcoming Events

### KIDZTIME:

**Today:** Kidztime are practising for the end of year All-Age Service and production next week.

Saturday 12 December: Final Practice 1-4pm at George St School Hall for all children and Junior Youth involved in the drama. Can all children please bring a water bottle and anyone who could help

with afternoon tea for the children please contact Miranda, thank you.



### Sunday 13 December: All-Age Service -

TITIM incorporating the Kidztime and Junior Youth drama "So, Where Is God In All This?"

We will also give out book prizes to all children who have come this year and take time to thank our Kidztime volunteers.

> **Special morning tea :** If you can, please bring a contribution for morning tea next week - thank you!

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 20 December: Last service at George St for the year. During this service we will be taking some time to thank volunteers who help



out on the main church roster. Kidztime & Sparklers programmes. **Christmas Eve:** Two services, both at Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St.

5.30pm followed by a BBQ. 11.15pm: Traditional Candlelight Service.



### **YOUTH GROUP**

Sunday 13 December 10am: We will be thanking Dan and acknowledging his contribution as Youth Group Leader this year, as he is stepping

down from the role.

