

Moderator's Waitangi Day Message



Waitangi Day 6 February is regarded by many as our national day. It commemorates the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi/e Tiriti o Waitangi between the Tangata Whenua (Māori) and the Crown (British Empire), at the marae in Paihia in 1840 - 181 years ago. It was an incredible achievement by all concerned. No treaty is without faults and blemishes. With both parties involved, it was signed with hope for a fruitful future.

Our history, in the nearly two centuries since the signing of the Treaty, records stories of deception, distortion, abuse and manipulation. Grief and pain will never pass. This is always the case in treaties with land and control of people at the core of such an arrangement. How do we face this? We must learn the Treaty of Waitangi story, remember and honour the Treaty, with respect for one another. We must move forward as a nation, united in love, honour, and respect. The Treaty of Waitangi is our story - look back, learn, remember, be gracious and resolutely move on.

What of today? As a nation, we are making progress. Treaty settlements continue, much has been completed. Our Pakeha/Palagi population still leads in the majority in all areas of our society. The Māori economy has improved. The study of the history of this land is now a reality from the earliest stages of schooling. Māori, Pacifica and Asian peoples are progressing slowly but surely in academic qualifications, management roles, and owning their own businesses. Representing us in the NZ Parliament are an increasing number of Māori, Pacifica and other ethnicities, more than ever before in our short history.

As a nation, we are young. We are one of a handful of nations leading the world in the battle with Covid-19. In the sporting arenas, we compete "above our weight" and our lack of resources (isolation, people, and the latest technology) does not hinder us. This attitude and demeanour is very much the reflection of who we are in the global landscape. We are a warrior nation of men and women influenced and nurtured by our heritage - Māori, English, Scottish, Pacific, Asian, European, plus many other origins.

Today, we the Tangata Whenua, the Crown, and the Manuhiri (late comers), stand on the shoulders of giants. We owe it to them to build up this land, to grow our potentials, to live in peace and harmony, be involved and participate in every level of our society.

Let us honour a bicultural treaty signed in 1840. We, a multicultural society, 5 million strong. We flourish and grow as a cross-cultural nation, emphasising building families, communities, and ourselves, on Godly values and principles.

Kia kaha, i te aroha o te Atua ia Ihu Karaiti. Be strong in the love of God in Jesus Christ.
Ke manuia/Blessings Fakaofu (*Right Reverend Fakaofu Kaio Moderator PCANZ*)

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NEXT WEEK'S TEAM TBC

Service Leader	Lovelocks
Preacher	Richard D
Worship	Lovelocks
Prayers for Others	Phil H
Bible Reading	Dave B
Door Greeting	Evan & Lily H
Children's Talk	Interview
Morning Tea	Jocelyn & Steve S Sarah T
Sound/Data	Ged F/Bronwyn B
Vmix/Camera	Raymond/Keryn
Duty Elder	Aidan S
Prayer Ministry	Don L
Welcome	Judith F
Offering	Debbie G
Set up	Millers
Playground	Wang, Blok, Justice

LEITH VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday 7 February 2021



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.

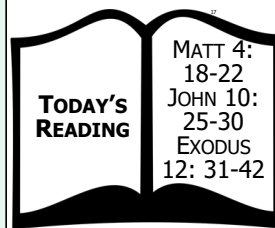
Welcome back to George St - 2021



Today:
Richard D
'Journeying with Jesus'

SERVICE LEADER:
RICHARD D
PREACHER:
RICHARD D
WORSHIP:
OLIVIA D

DUTY ELDER:
BRONWYN M



Today's Team

Door Greeting:	Niblocks	Set up Team:	Graham H, Alex S
Prayers for Others:	Helen & Alastair M	Offering Counter:	Bronwyn M
Bible Readings:	Kirsten A	Morning tea:	Judith F, Chrissy C Keryn H
Sound:	Ged F	Prayer Ministry:	tbc
Data Projection:	Mark L	Playground:	Hutton, Hill
Vmix:	Dan S	Lock-up:	Ged F
Camera:	Bronwyn B		
Welcome:	Bronwyn M		

Seeking God's Kingdom Growing Great Community

Leith Notices

SMALL GROUPS - CONNECT FOR GROWTH

Do you want to join a small group?



See the list of groups open to new people on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING:

Raise your awareness by viewing the movie 'The Twelve Thousand' **7.00pm Monday 15 February** St Patrick's Basilica, 32 Macandrew Road, South Dunedin (Mercy Parish). Presented by Rev Ian Guy, Presbyterian Minister, Frankton. Collection taken, supper provided. The evening is sponsored and hosted by *Talitha Kum, Dunedin* in honour of St Bakhita.

DUNEDIN HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

have asked Leith Valley to supply 8-10 helpers to get patients to the Sunday service on February 21st, from 9.45am - 11.30am. Please let us know at the office if you can help: admin@leithvalley.org.nz

Thinking of...

Bronwyn Miller, whose mother passed away recently. Heartfelt condolences to Bronwyn, Brian, Ashley and Liam.



TONIGHT FEB 7 Missions Prayer Group

5pm at Leith Valley Church. All welcome.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE: Roster

A draft roster is circulating today. Please look for your name and tick if the date is ok, or suggest an alternative date on the sheet below. Thank you!

Church Directory

We are updating the Church Directory. Clipboards are doing the rounds today with a copy of the current directory.

- Please check off your details and write corrections on the sheet provided.
- If your name is not in the directory and you would like it to be, please fill in the form underneath.

Notices

If you would like to have a notice printed in the church bulletin, please send it to Fran at the church office, email admin@leithvalley.org.nz by Friday 9am at the latest, The notices are uploaded to the church website each week, www.leithvalley.org.nz and usually sent out attached to the Friday email.
THANK YOU

Children & Youth

JUNIOR YOUTH -



runs on Sunday mornings and is led by volunteers, coordinated this term by Rachel Bates. It caters for 11-14 year olds or Years 7-10 at school. They go to Room 18 after the second set of songs. They enjoy fun social times from time to time on Friday or Saturday nights.

SENIOR YOUTH -



is led by Tessa Barlow and meets at Leith Valley Church, 267 Malvern St, on Tuesday nights, 7-9pm.

All Year 9-13 high school students are welcome!

KIDZTIME (CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES)

Miranda Fairmaid heads up the Children's Programmes at Leith Valley with assistant Fran Dawson (Sparklers Pre-school Programme) and lots of volunteers -that's you!



Kidztime runs on Sundays during the school term times but provision is made for children in the holiday weekends as well. Miranda prepares the lessons and leads the programmes each week, which are held in the school learning centre, situated behind the classrooms which lead off the deck. The children are all together for the first part then break into age groups for follow up activities. In term 1 2021 they are exploring the theme of 'Getting to know Jesus' beginning today with 'Through Play'. Two other volunteer leaders are needed each week as well as extra helpers so parents are really encouraged to take a turn helping.



Sparklers is the Pre-school programme which is coordinated by Fran Dawson who prepares the lessons. This caters for all pre-school children and meets in the school staffroom which is found right at the end of the deck.

They begin with a structured time of welcome, story, song and prayer, followed by morning tea and craft or free play. This term they are following a theme of Jesus loves me, beginning with the story of the Lost Sheep.

Volunteers are needed to lead the sessions as well as act as helpers. Children from the age of two can be left which is why we need at least two helpers each week. Parents are encouraged to take a turn at leading and helping. Please note, you are welcome to remain in the service with your toddler/baby - there are toys available.