

Dear friends,

Just wanted to start right off by reminding people that we are having **a combined service this Sunday (August 21<sup>st</sup>) at 10:00am at HopeCentral**. You'll notice that it's not the normal time for worship at HopeCentral or Onerahi... it's at 10am. We are gathering together to celebrate completing our sermon series looking at the book of Revelation. It's been a long journey and it's been challenging for some. It seems fitting to come together and celebrate as we look at the wonderful hope filled message of Revelation chapter 22. We started way back in October last year looking at the letters to the seven churches and we've broken it up into three sections with a sizeable gap between them. I want to take a moment to say thank you to the wonderful people on our Preaching team who have contributed to this series. Thanks to Lorne Campbell for taking on such a big part of the series, I know that Lorne and I have found it both a challenge and also a blessing. We had Enosa Auva'a bring couple of messages in that series before he finished his internship with us. Malo Enosa. Also thanks to Cath Bremner, Billie Portch and Roland Schreurs for preaching as well, we are blessed to have you as part of our extensive preaching team here at Hope.

As part of the service this week it would be good if people could think of one thing they have been encouraged by or have learned from this series, as there will be a chance on Sunday to share that with the people around us.

**Here are the notices.**

### Combined service August 21st 10:00am HopeCentral

We have been working our way through the book of Revelation in a series of three sections. We looked at the initial vision of Jesus the letters to the seven churches and the vision of heaven in chapter 4 before Christmas last year. After a break for Christmas and the January holidays a series on chapters 5-12 before Easter. Then after a break between Easter and Pentecost, where we looked at a series on The Lord's Prayer and for the last month and a half we have been finishing off chapters 13-20 of Revelation. On Sunday August 21st we will be having a combined service at HopeCentral to celebrate the final instalment of this series. To share with one another what the spirit has been encouraging us with as we've looked at this long series and to celebrate and hear from Revelation 21. Come join us.



If transport is an issue please let us know here at the office and we can arrange for some transport. Particularly from Onerahi and Tikipunga.

**Note- The service will be followed by a soup and bun lunch.**

### Hospitality needed for the Combined Service August 21<sup>st</sup> 10am

**Thank you so much for the great response to help with hospitality.**

- *We are still looking for some people to be on the serving team and clean up team.*
- *Provide a total of 24 bread rolls*

Please contact Colleen at the office before Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Ph. 4381667 or email

[colleen@hopewhangarei.nz](mailto:colleen@hopewhangarei.nz)

Thankyou

### Zoom service August 21<sup>st</sup>

The zoom service is a streaming from the 10:00am combined service.

The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89285364673>

If you are using an app on a mobile device the meeting ID number is: 89285364673

You can join via landline.

Please note that the process has changed. The phone number is 09 884 6780 you will need to input for the meeting

The number when Meeting ID prompted: 89285364673 followed by the # key. Then you will be asked for a further ID number or to press the # key again. Press the # hash key again.

The host will ask for your name so we can put it on the computer screen so after the service people will know who you are.

After the service we will break into small groups so people can catch up, pray with each other. If you are on a landline you can unmute yourself by pressing \*6. If you have someone on a landline in your group please introduce yourselves to them.

### Sunday Worship August 28<sup>th</sup>

We will be gathering for worship at our regular three sites and at the normal times on this Sunday.

Preachers for this week have been asked to speak on their favourite passage. What is there favourite, what does it say to them and to us.

10:00am @ HopeTikipunga - Billie Portch

9:30am @ HopeCentral - Lorne Campbell

9:30am @ HopeOnerahi - Howard Carter

### CTN Spring gathering September 17<sup>th</sup> 9:30am-2pm HopeCentral



**Churches Together Northland  
Spring Gathering**  
9:30am-2pm Saturday September 17th  
HopeCentral, HopeWhangarei  
(corner Bank & Hunt St Whangarei)  
  
Guest speaker: Rev Dr Stuart Lange  
On 'Essentials for a growing church'  
  
Lunch \$10  
register by Wednesday September 14th  
By email to: [karen@hopewhangarei.nz](mailto:karen@hopewhangarei.nz)  
Or by phone 09 439-1667

We will be hosting the CTN spring gathering here at HopeWhangarei on Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>. It is open to all who would like to come along. Opening at 9:30am with worship and communion. Then a key note address from Rev Dr Stuart Lange on the essentials of a Growing Church. As well as Stuart being one of New Zealand's foremost church historians he has also pastored a thriving Presbyterian Church in West Auckland for well over twenty years. A church that is involved

in planting and replanting churches in growing areas and that has embraced the challenge of the very multicultural environment of Massey and its surrounding areas. In the afternoon there will be Churches Together Northland business to attend to. Lunch is \$10 and you'll need to register at the office by September 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Praying for children

Support Northern, the social services wing of the Presbyterian Church and Presbyterian Children and families ministry have designated the week of August 21<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> as a week to pray for children in New Zealand. Here is a link to the website with a lot of information prayer points and resources to help guide you in your prayer.

<https://nzprayingforchildren.org/>



**The Operation Christmas Child Pack a Shoe Box**  
Please contact Colleen at the office if you would like to support this wonderful ministry of providing children in need across the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, hygiene items, school supplies and fun gifts. You can even purchase a shoebox on line. Check out [www.operationchristmaschild.org.nz](http://www.operationchristmaschild.org.nz)  
**National Collection starts in October**

### Blessing

Over the last few weeks in the pastoral email we've also been looking at the last five psalms in the Psalter, what's known as the great hallelujahs. The one for this week is Psalm 150, the last of the Psalms. Right at the end of the Psalms is this call to worship God, a call to a life and an eternity of giving thanks to God for who God is and what God has done. Its last line is let everything that has breath praise the Lord, Praise the Lord. It is very appropriate as we think of the culmination of all things as a new creation, a new heaven and earth, but also as we move on into September and celebrate the season of creation, and think of creation care as part of our Christian faith. We care for creation which joins us in our worship of the creator.

So here is the blessing for this week.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord.

E ngā mea katoa e whai manawa ana, whakamoemititia a Īhowā!

Whakamoemititia a Īhowā.

Howard Carter

**SENIORMINISTER**  
**HOPEWHANGĀREI**

August 16<sup>th</sup> 2022

Ps: - I think these Tara (White fronted terns) sitting on the hand rail of the wharf at Onerahi were just a bit upset at a photographer getting too close.

But I definitely think they fit in with the call for all things that have breath to praise the Lord.



