

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It was good to go with a team of five to the City to City church rejuvenation workshop, put on by Northern Presbytery on Friday February 16th, and then also have the opportunity to hear City to City Australia CEO Adnrew Katay speak at the Northern Presbytery meeting on Saturday. The Parish council have applied for HopeWhangarei to be one of the first co-hort of Northern presbytery Churches to work with City to City, inviting them to come and consult with us as a Church. To bring a fresh set of eyes and ears to add us in moving forward as a Church. We will know by the end of March if we have been accepted for this process.

Here are the notices

Worship Sunday February 25th

Come join us, at one of our three sites for worship and as we continue to work our way through our series 'the way of the cross' through the gospel according to Mark.

HopeTikipunga	10:00am	Mark 6:30-44 (Kris Middendorf-Carter)
HopeCentral	9:30am	Mark 6:1-5 (Howard Carter) Communion
HopeOnerahi	9:30am	Mark 6:6-13 (Lorne Campbell)

9:30am Sunday February 25th Zoom Service

The zoom service this week will be a streaming of the HopeCentral 9:30am service.

Here is the link for the service <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83429062440>

If you are using the zoom app on a mobile device or smart phone the **Meeting ID is 83429062440**
If you are joining by landline, dial 09 8846780 and follow the Instructions, again the meeting ID is **83429062440**.

There is a waiting room and then our host will let you into the live stream.

Please feel free to stay after the service and spend time chatting with other folk attending via zoom. The ability to have this contact with each other is one of the reasons we use zoom as a platform, rather than just live streaming.

Space 7pm to 8pm Sunday March 3rd @ the lounge HopeCentral

Come join us for a time of relaxed worship, prayer and sharing on Sunday evening March 3rd.

Staff matters

Pauline Hampshire is back from her Block course in Dunedin.

Karen Cullen our office administrator continues to work from home. Because of our new phone system she can be contacted through the church office in office hours.

Weekly prayer meeting. Tuesdays 1pm-2pm – for community outreach

Come along and join in praying for our outreaches into the community each week on Tuesdays from 1pm-2pm in the Central Sanctuary.

Jesus said: "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Pray the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field; Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves."

We will be praying for various ministries where we have community contact e.g. The Court Chaplaincy; The Inner-city Chaplaincy; Alpha 2024 ...
Everyone welcome ...

Joy Crawford

Joy (97) passed to glory peacefully at 5:51am on Saturday morning Feb 17 at hospice after a short illness with Oesophageal cancer. The family say that it was a merciful release.

Joy has been a very faithful and committed member at Hope Central for 12 years and will be missed by many that knew her. Please pray for her family who have supported her through this illness - especially her 4 children Margaret, Keith, Brian and Claire. Joy's funeral will be held at HopeCentral 2:30pm Friday February 23rd.

“ What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard , what no mind can conceive - God has prepared for those who love Him - these are the things that God has revealed to us by His Spirit”
1 Corinthians 2:9,10a

The zoom link for her service is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82281860073>

Journeying Together - The Churches Together Northland Autumn gathering - Saturday March 16th @ HopeCentral



HopeWhangarei will be hosting the Autumn gathering of Churches together Northland on Saturday March 16th at HopeCentral. We are blessed to have the principal of KCML (Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership), Rev Dr Geoff New with us for the day Geoff will be running to half day seminars; one on pastoral care and the other on conflict resolution. These are good for people involved in ministry and leadership in the church.

Please register with colleen at the church office (094381667 or colleen@hopewhangarei.nz by Tuesday March 12th if you are interested in attending (\$10 to cover lunch).



LADIES MORNING TEA SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2024 10:00AM

Come and join us to hear **Clare Ayers** speak on
` **living your best life** `

Claire is a wife, mother, leadership Coach, Minister, Chaplain from Ashburton with a passion to see people of all ages and stages live the life they were created for.

Invite a friend to come along . Morning tea will be provided

A call for care for well-known Christian family in Whangarei

Malcolm Bollen spoke at central on Sunday regarding the Hollis family, well known to a number of us in Whangarei (Christian family) whose son had a fall in the states where he lives and is now by the looks of it going to be a quadriplegic.

Malcolm called for funds to assist them as a family and if people are wanting to contribute towards Kevyn and Robyn. Donation can be made through the church office this week and it will be sent to them.

A big thankyou to Peter Schultz for blessing the congregation with his fresh produce on Sunday to us all. Thankyou!!!

Blessing

Joy Crawford shared with me that when Lorne had been and visited and prayed with her that she had a real sense of God's presence with her by the Holy Spirit and the word that really meant so much to her was the Holy Spirit as her comforter. So me leave you today with the promise of the Holy Spirit as our advocate (comforter) from John 14:26

"But the Advocate (comforter), the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

Nā, ko te kaiwhakamārie, arā ko te Wairua Tapu, e tonoa mai e te Matua i runga i tōku ingoa, māna koutou e whakaako ki ngā mea katoa, māna koutou e whakamahara ki ngā mea katoa kua kōrerotia nei e ahau ki a koutou.

Howard Carter

SENIOR MINISTER

HOPEWHANGAREI

February 20th 2024

Ps:- A young Karoro (black backed gull) hovering over the beach at Mimiwhangata.

