

Knox News

Newsletter 6 September 2020

This is an adapted version of the Know Newsletter.

We have recently removed some details from the Knox Newsletter that gets uploaded to the website, for privacy reasons.

If you need to contact someone, the Knox Church Office can give you further details, or you can refer to the newsletter that gets emailed to the church congregation on a Friday.

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Hahi Knox

Welcome to Knox Church

We hope you enjoy your time with us today. If you would like an information welcome pack, please see those who are greeting at the door. Welcome packs include a newcomer card for you to complete your contact details and place in the offering bag. Our pastoral team will then be able to give you a call to see how we can make you feel at home, and invite you to the next newcomer welcome dinner.

Ngā manaakitanga —Blessings

Please note there will be no Café Grace after church in Alert Level 2.

We would like to thank everyone for their patience and kindness during Alert Level 2 when coming to church; we ask that you please continue to follow the Level 2 guidelines during the services on Sunday.

- Please use both the QR Code and the contact tracing form as you enter the church; the QR Code is for you personally, and the contact tracing is for the church records.
- Children will be going straight to their programmes in the different areas at 10:30am.

Sunday Services

Father's Day

Traditional Service

9.00am

Contemporary Service

10.30am

Text: Matthew 7:1-6

Theme: Seeing with soft eyes

By Rev. Marcell Mey

Please click the following link to watch the livestream of the 10:30am service.

[10:30 Service Livestream Link](#)

Please click on the hyperlink to hear the podcast from the 9am service or search knox.org.nz/podcast

[Sermon Recordings Link](#)

New Office Manager

We are delighted to welcome Emma Ward onto our Knox team in the role of Office Manager.

Emma has been a part of the Knox community for most of her life, and she completed her youth internship at Knox in 2019. Over the years she has served in many ministries and has contributed to the life of the church with her gifts and skills.

We pray that God will bless her in this role, as we look forward to this new season.

Men's Retreat Weekend

The Men's Retreat weekend will be held at the Magnificat Community Retreat Centre in Featherston on the 11-13 September this year. This is an excellent opportunity to have a weekend of fun, fellowship and reflection.

Cost is \$150 per person which covers two-nights' accommodation (single rooms), bedding and all meals apart from Friday dinner and Saturday lunch.

Spaces are limited and registrations close 12pm Monday 7th Sept, so register today, by contacting the Knox office

Office Hours

The church office will be starting new office hours, from the 14th of September. The office will be open Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm, with a lunchtime closure from 12:30pm to 1pm.

Emma will start working Monday to Friday in late October, upon completion of her current studies. Therefore, the office could still be closed for a few hours here and there, so calling ahead is advised.

Here are a few links that you may like: *(click to select)*

[Presbytery Central](#)

[Roundup](#) — Weekly News from Presbytery Central

[Council News](#)— News from the Presbyterian Council of Assembly

[Bush Telegraph](#)— September newsletter from the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand.

[Shine TV schedule](#)—for week from 30th August

[Radio Rhema](#)—Listen online, schedules etc.

[BBC Radio 4 Daily Service](#)—Christian podcasts

[CBN News](#)—News from a Christian perspective.

Upcoming Events:

- Armoury, 30th August
- Men's Retreat, 11-13 September
- Ladies Retreat, 19th September
- Acts 29 Camp, 25-28 September

Ladies Retreat

The Ladies Retreat is on the 19th of September, at the Silverstream Retreat, from 9:30am to 4pm.

Lisa Fraser is going to be our guest speaker, her theme is "Come Fly with Jesus."

If you would like to come please email the church office asap. Registrations are closing on the 6th September.

Please let the office know about any special dietary or allergy requirements no later than Monday 7th.

It is \$40 for a full day of fellowship, teaching, and food. Please add your name and 'ladies retreat' to the references if you are internet banking, the account number is 02-0528-0033206-00 or you can place a named envelope in the offering bag.

Prayerline (5697729 or 569PRAY)

If you have a specific matter for which you would like prayer, you can leave a recorded prayer request on the prayerline. Your request will be emailed to a group of our Knox members who have committed to pray for such requests.

If you would like to join those praying for prayer requests, you can leave your name and email address on the prayer line and you will be added to the group of people who receive prayer requests.

Youth Group Camp

Registrations for Acts 29 Camp are closing on Monday 7th of September!

We want to ensure every youth can make the most of this awesome opportunity. Therefore, please let us know if you need financial assistance. Camp is \$90 pp or \$80 per sibling. The registration link is on the Acts29 Facebook and Instagram.

If you have any questions, concerns or would like to support a youth member financially, please contact Caleb or Hannah.

Armoury

Men's group meeting, 7:30pm Sunday 30 August, Fellowship Hall.

The final episode of Volume 2, of the 33 Series: A Man and His Story. Every man has a story of family and relationships that has shaped them.



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ACTS 29 

WeeWorship: Preschool aged, 10:30am on Sunday in the Fellowship Hall

Kingdom Kids: Primary aged children, 10:30am Sunday in the café foyer

Seismic: Year 7-9 aged youth, 10:30am Sunday, please go straight up to the youth room

Acts29: Year 9-13 aged youth

Monday: Acts 29 Girls Homegroup with Hannah at 3:00pm

Wednesday: Devotion on Acts 29 Instagram

Thursday: Acts 29 Homegroup with Caleb at 7:00pm

Sunday: Acts 29 Youth Group Programme 5 –7pm at Knox

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Praying for our Young People

It is important that all our ministries are supported by prayer, but we would like to encourage a specific focus on prayer for our young people who participate in our Wee Worship, Kingdom Kids, Seismic and Youth programmes. We ask that you pray for growth in their faith in and love for Jesus and also for their general wellbeing.

If you as an individual or perhaps a small group would like to be part of an initiative to pray for a specific group of young people please let the church office know and we will suggest a specific focus for you.

Bi-Monthly Parish Magazine

We have a team looking to produce a bi-monthly parish magazine. Our vision is for this to be a place to 'meet' our church family...

- hear from Session, ministries, staff, Board of Managers, volunteers
- learn about upcoming events
- read testimonies, book, film, and music reviews
- enjoy creative expressions including paintings, drawings, poetry, music, and photography

With Knox having two services and a range of ministries taking place on a Sunday, this is one way we can connect with each other. To achieve our vision we need your input – if you have any ideas for stories, articles, or creative works we could enjoy, we'd love to hear from you.