

Wellington Methodist Parish News 5 Rātapu <u>Haratua (May)</u>, 2024



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TODAY'S SERVICE 5 Rātapu, Haratua (May), Easter 6 Fakame (Children's Sunday) Worship Leader: Tahi Kato Organist: Colin Scarf Notices & Welcome: Heather Garside Bible Reader: Tauamiti Johann Samoa Saleupolu Heger Door Stewards: Philippa Conway & Peter Grundy Morning tea: Dine/Laurenson Family

12 Rātapu, Haratua (May), Easter 7

Worship Leader: Organist: Vivien Chiu Notices & Welcome: Hugh Laurenson Bible Reader: Melina Takau-Samson Door Stewards: Lepa & Sana Manuao Morning tea: Conway Family

<u>Lectionary Reading for</u> <u>next week, 12 Rātapu</u> (Sunday) Haratua, Easter 7

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26, Ps 1, 1 Jn 5: 9-13, Jn 17: 6-19

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Meeting / Events Coming Up:

Knit and Knatter Group, Wednesday 15 May, 11am. Lunch room. All crafters welcome!

Leaders' Meeting, Tuesday 21 May, 7pm,

F & R Meeting, Thursday 30 May, 7pm, Zoom

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NOTICES

Fakame (Children's Sunday)

This is a special day to celebrate the children in the Tongan Congregation, who are beautifully dressed in their Sunday best. The content of the programme includes scriptural recitations ('vesi lauloto'), reading and singing hymns, biblical story reenactments, and creative performances. This is followed by a huge feast and then skits and dances that the children have been practising.

Rev. Nicola is on Annual Leave

Nicola is on annual leave from Tuesday 9 April – Thursday 9 May. For anything urgent, contact Rev Tahi Kato, <u>tahik@Methodist.org.nz</u> or 022 400 1696.

DCM Foodbank Collection

Saturday, 25 May. Are you able to volunteer an hour of your time with collections at New World Chaffers, Metro and Newtown or sorting the donations at the Drama Christi studio? If you can help, please contact nicola@wesleychurch.org.nz

DCM News- A Place to Call Home-Te Ki a Alasdair.

20 DCM whānau have made a home in Te Kī a Alasdair, Wellington's vibrant new community housing. Te Kī a Alasdair (The Voice of Alasdair), which opened in October 2023, is

located on Frederick Street and is one of the newest and largest community housing developments in Wellington. Comprising 75 purpose-built apartments for those in the community with disabilities and complex needs, the development was the vision of Maurice and Kaye Clark, founders of Kirva Trust, in recognition of their late son Alasdair. Alasdair was wellknown at DCM as one of the food bank volunteers and a supporter of society's marginalized people, working hard despite having his own challenges of autism, dyslexia, and dyspraxia.

"Alasdair really opened our eyes" says Kaye, "we are doing this because of him. He changed our lives enormously." Through their son, they became passionate about the need for long-term social housing. When asked about her vision for Te Kī a Alasdair, she says "I want to see the tenants flourish, and feel happier. I want their lives to blossom." To create Te Kī a Alasdair, Kirva Trust worked alongside community housing providers Emerge Aotearoa and Homes of Choice, as well as the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, with construction carried out by McKee Fehl.

DCM and our whānau are so grateful to the Kirva Trust for their support and their vision for the Wellington community.