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Church Hall 10-11am

MEAL
all 6pm



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worship services recently. As a minister, encouraging, or impactful our worship isipleship. Worship as an experience or with.

id Bains which I found interesting, and I

ience or Service?

04/14/worship-experience-or-service/

r speak of the plan to offer a “worship . Since I’m in the midst of teaching my ristian Theology: History and Worship,” readings, and in my own traditions, phrase. What is at stake in calling er than a “worship service?”

ase that we often pass it by without a nsider it, I remember the passage in his ere James F. White comments that the *Gottesdienst* is ambiguously reflexive. r “God’s service to us.” Either phrase Robert Webber put it in the memorable

rings to mind the Orthodox custom of gy, not “celebrates,” “says,” “leads,” or resting phrase. To say worship is offered eology. The only question becomes is, is eems stronger to say that it is “served.” nu; he serves what is ordered with the en and enjoyed.

omething that is offered to God in the use it is what God wants.

the various efforts of Protestants to think something more than an opportunity for involved in the twentieth century’s litur- y emphasized the word “liturgy.” They he people” and by this have sought to tion in worshipping God, praying to God, s. In this they have sought to move the bly beyond that of individuals simply

” as the work of the people, others have includes those involved in the “worship

Local bucket list:

- Greet a sunrise on the beach
- Greet someone you don't know
- Walk a coastal pipe walk
- Visit an exhibition at the Arts Centre
- Build a sand castle on the beach
- Pet a friendly cat in the cat cafe
- Walk a short piece of Te Araroa Trail
- Paint a rock and hide it somewhere
- Connect with a lonely person
- Attend one community event

What do you like about Mairangi Bay?

Church

Art

Garden

Scouts

Interesting

The coastal strip between Mairangi Bay) and Murray named by Maori 'Waipapa water over wood. The nan logs and timber thought t fossilised forest that were

What does Mairangi mean of translations including ' from heaven', 'hidden (or tree'. It is thought the res name as they understood

IT TOOK A LITTLE TIME !!

ay Works) was engaged by the Council of Mairangi Bay to identify what projects were opening. Our church had a visit from an open session in the hall after church. They had many recommendations was to develop a programme for the various organisations, clubs and programmes. We supported those ideas.

we decided to develop at least one placemaking project. We invited community organisations to come to think up some projects. Representatives from the Business Association were present. It was very poorly attended – only 6 people in total. No one from Business Association was present. We are going through further meetings as we want to get better knowledge of our activities.

Working/exploring projects with historical significance by the beach and one project with the community together to explore what services/programmes with the objective of reducing their

organisations and budget cuts from the past. The information survived is a Mairangi Bay information booklet. Copies are available in the foyer. We will print and give them out to any of your organisations and may be able to encourage to attend

Make others aware of and encourage their

for 2hrs of socialising and activities on a regular basis. A group for people with dementia which meets every

meets at 1pm on a Wednesday. We will print together with contact information for those who are interested. This information is contained in an Activities

revival” of the 1920s and 30s and those of the 1980s and beyond. The first processions, and stately hymns of praise leading well-crafted worship sets that into a personal encounter with God which I think of as “guided mysticism.” So then, the phrase “offer a worship experience” to individuals attending the event and the phrase to “hold a worship service” seems to be something that is offered to God by the emotions and sentiments of the participants. Participants’ dispositions are something present or that are not of central concern. Ultimately the question is, is a gathering offered to God that people are expected to have it a “worship experience” that is crafted to offer God’s presence and perhaps offer their own? Does this seem right to you? I welcome

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r enemies

pray for your persecutors, You'll then
aven." (Matthew 5:43) This saying is
something like this before. It is a para-
ve no enemies. This saying is the most
o hundred years following his crucifix-

teachings to love one's neighbour, as Je-
to love one's Israelite neighbour. The
ere ignored and there was often hatred
ations, for example Psalm 137:7-8
back for what you have done to us –
them against a rock." This not exactly
but we must not judge. Their time was

ook at them in two broad categories:
s can be those who have slighted or bul-
ces, we are prejudiced against, or those
me way. There are as well those who
on't classify them as our enemies. The
emies is to keep the conversation going,
view the world as they experience it,
ave trouble, it is useful to have a media-
tion. Having enemies whom we cannot
otional, and spiritual health. If we love
ecome children of your Father in the

e all people as friends. We need to be
in what appears to be a New Zealand
ends with those who agree with us and
ies. Loving and befriending those who
occasions for love and learning.

wed that people often project hidden
o their enemies. So when we experience
talk about them as stupid, greedy, spite-
and so forth, it is time to do a bit of
thinking about ourselves?

Great Option for

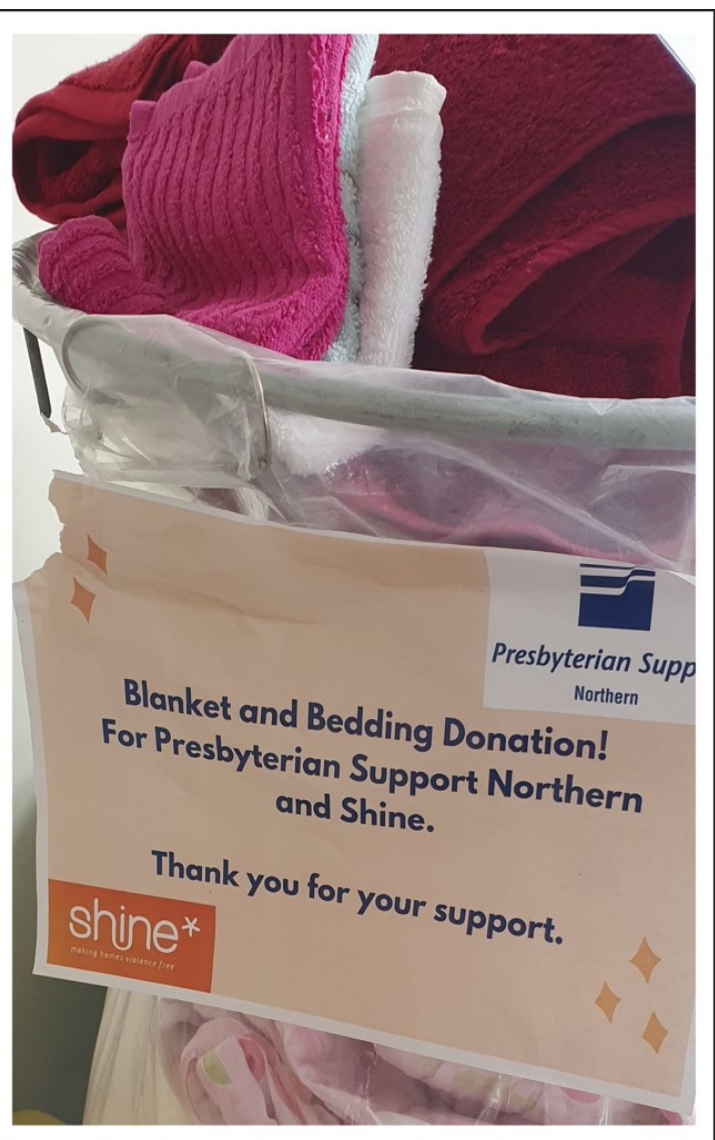
“No presents thank you but if you wo
food bank that v
That was the message that went out w
80th Birthday Party. It was a happy o
church supports benefitted to th
Great idea Elaine &



Special Comm

Our next Special Communion Service
attend church regularly will be hel
There will be a time of fellowship
We will provide transportation to
If you would like to attend, could you
or call Norma Bal

ket is overflowing with your kindness.
for unwanted clean linen and blankets
Support Northern & Shine. Shine is part
domestic abuse service provider.



travel talk -

chair travel about their amazing trip in
year, on May 23rd Tuesday 2pm 3pm.

my talk -

ther Astronomy talk and after last years
d. Date to be confirmed in June

The case of an “official” enemy is not
leaders of a nation declare or treat another
leaders declare or treat a particular country
enemies. Opinion polls, and research show
appear strong and capable which increases
encouraged to designate enemies. Usually
enemies. Opinion polls show that the people
being tough on crime are the least likely

Interestingly during both World Wars,
to create enemies, when soldiers from
during a truce for example at Christmas
they would no longer shoot to kill or
with their so-called enemy. They shared
they wanted to pursue their careers, or
interests, passions, or faith. In the brief
their so-called enemy.

Currently, tension is rising between the
happens when one great economic power
Such is the case with the USA being challenged
has spilled over into Australia, creating

The result has been the AUKUS agreement
the USA. Australia has agreed to purchase
submarines at a cost of \$368 billion dollars
Australian economy in ways that will not
perceived enemy is very costly.

Past Australian Prime Ministers, Paul
well as some academic China experts
and the fear created. They think it is
Australia. Yet, Australian Newspapers
line, “Australia must prepare’ for the threat
map designed to panic people. This is a

My concern is that opinion polls have
million Chinese Australians. They have
their place in the Australian community
suspicious, fearful, and antagonistic to
the AUKUS deal have for their own
from people who were previously seen
who were making a positive contribution

I hope this does not spread to NZ. We do

posite of what Jesus taught. I have too
ers whom I love and respect.

er a time of comparative peace. Jesus
it was easy to say and do. He lived at a
cruel masters, the Romans. Among his
d to oust the Romans by violent means.
Love your enemies and pray for your
ren of your Father in the heavens.”



UPDATE FROM P

Matters covered at the April meeting of Pa

- Sharing of Pastoral matters where supp
- Our financial situation where with onl
year we are facing a \$10,000 deficit.
hold an end of year appeal with it bein
can afford to give a little more and war
this matter it was made very clear that
against rising prices and we are not exp
afford it. An appeal letter will be includ
- Early notice from Alastair Emerson (C
Committee) that there will be a pre-ele
the October Elections.
- Publicity for the Special Communion S
followed by lunch.
- Advice from Karen on the special morn
with donations to go to the Breast Canc
- Preparing for the first quarterly review
ment with Northern Presbytery .
- Consideration of how we can improve
trial an arrangement whereby one of ou
comer to a member of the congregatio
and that member will host them for the
vice and collect follow up information.

Stewart Milne

“Message from

Thank you to all members continuin

Those donating via Direct debit and enve
the last 12 months end

These are available at the church for colle
of your donation back from IRD. Those s
to the plate, unfortunately we cannot pr
donate in the cash plate we would like t
bank payment or the numbered envelope f
from the recovery of one third of y

Thank you for your help. C