



# PLAINS PRESBYTERIAN

5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021



Light and peace to you from Jesus Christ

## Plains Presbyterian Notices

Thursday 9th December **MSB 1st Meeting** @ St David's Church Ashburton at 1:00pm

Friday 10th December **9:30am Worship Meeting** @ Rev. Johanna's, Ashburton

### St. Andrew's Rakaia

**This is to advise as per the NZ Covid 19 Protection Framework**, St Andrew's Rakaia will be operating under the traffic light system **ORANGE** and will be requiring parishioners and visitors to services to show their vaccination certificates on arrival at the service. Consideration was given to operating under a 'non vaccination' framework but it was considered not practical for several reasons. *Signing In or QR scanning on arrival is still required and the wearing of a mask or face covering is encouraged.* Fay Cuttriss, H & S for St Andrew's. Thank you to Rev. Silvia for supporting us in this decision which was discussed at the 28 Nov. Service.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December

10:30 am | **Rakaia Fit Kids** | Welcome to all preschool children.

1:00 pm | **Steady As You Go**

**St. John's Methven** Brick Club has now ended for the year. Photos (26th Nov.) on Facebook.

**\*25<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Day Service Combine with All Saints at Methven. 26<sup>th</sup> December Worship Service at St. John's Methven with the Worship Team.**

**MAYFIELD XMAS EVE SERVICE** 24th Dec. at 7pm. We would like to get a choir again. **If anyone or you know of someone who would be keen to sing in this can you let Janet Hood know on 033088256 or Denis Brown on 0210615673.** There will be a couple of practices before when times can suit.

**Advent 2: Peace.** Come, light of the world, come live in our hearts. Come move-between us, come shine in the darkness. Our first candle shines for hope. This candle shines for peace, for peace is needed now in this world. Peace is a hunger and peace is a gift, a gift of the Christ child, born in the night A gift of the Christ child, born in the night. Come, light of the world, be our peace, we pray. *-Rev Silvia Purdie*

**Day of Prayer** | *The Moderator, Right Rev Hamish Galloway, invites Presbyterians around the country to pray for our nation on Sunday 5th December. In our churches, in our homes, let us pray: For our nation as we move to the 'traffic light' Covid-19 Protection Framework. For those leading the national response to the pandemic. For people on the front line of the response. For churches as they work out how to operate in the new situation. For compassion towards one another. For those who have been, and will be, most affected. For those who cannot be with friends and family. For those who are anxious, sick, or suffering at this time. For courage, empathy, hope and grace.*

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## Worship Services

5 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10:30 am	St. John's Methven   Communion	Rev. Silvia Purdie
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:30 am	St. Andrew's Rakaia   Communion	Rev. Silvia Purdie
	10:30 am	St. John's Methven	Rev. John Titlow
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:30 am	St. Andrew's Rakaia	Rev. John Titlow
	10:30 am	St. John's Methven	Rev. Silvia Purdie
	7:00 pm	Staveley Community Carol Service	
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24 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	7:00 pm	Christmas Eve at St. Andrew's	Rev. Silvia Purdie
	7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Trinity Mayfield	Rev. Jim Young
	8:30 pm	Christmas Eve St. John's	Worship Team