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Trinity Sunday 4th June

God of love, we rejoice today that you care for each one of us. that we matter so much to you. God of power, we thank you for continuing to bless us each day, through your Holy Spirit. God of all, Three in one and one in Three, we praise you that you are always with us, whatever we may face.

Contributed by Dorothy Knight

WORSHIP SERVICES

4 th June	10:30 am	St. John's Methven Communion	Rev. Laurence Ennor
11 th June	9:30 am	St. Andrew's Rakaia Café Church	Rev. John Titlow
	10:30 am	St. John's Methven	Worship Team
	2:00 pm	Carew with Rev. Phyll Harris and Martin Stewart	
18 th June	9:30 am	St. Andrew's Rakaia	Rev. Laurence Ennor
	10:30 am	St. John's Methven	Rev. John Titlow
25 th June	9:30 am	St. Andrew's Rakaia	Worship Team
	10:00 am	Trinity Mayfield Combined with St. John's	Pastor Paul Eden
2 nd July	10:30 am	St. John's Methven	Rev. Laurence Ennor

PLAINS PRESBYTERIAN NOTICES

Online Worship: Here is a link with Cashmere Presbyterian

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vq1rz0nkqu8>

Governance Report: Can be found on page 2 of this weeks newsletter!

St. Andrew's Rakaia

*** Jam for sale in the church foyer.



Tuesday 6th June 10:00 am | **Rakaia Fit Kidz** Welcome preschool children. ON PAGE 2: Photos of Rakaia Fit Kidz playing instruments and the parachute for Bounce Teddy!

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

Saturday 30th September

PLANTS 4 U @ RAKAIA Time to dig, divide and pot up your plants please.

St. John's Methven

This Sunday 4th June at 10:30am **Parish Service with Rev. Laurence Ennor and a shared lunch to follow.**

Tuesday 6th June 3:15 pm | **St. John's Brick Club** All ages Welcome.

Find our latest builds on our Facebook page and the next page!

Tuesday 6th June **St. John's Focus Meeting**



*** If anyone has a working wall clock they could donate to Brick Club/ St. John's Foyer it would be much appreciated!

Carew Church Service Plains Presbyterian invite all interested to attend a service on Sunday 11th June, at 2pm, to decommission the Carew Presbyterian Church. The worship will be followed by afternoon tea in the Carew Hall. The service will be led by the Reverends Phyll Harris and Martin Stewart from Alpine Presbytery. *The church has faithfully served our Parish since 1927 when locals came together to build the church on donated land. This is an opportunity to celebrate what the church has stood for over many years, and to give thanks to the people of the district who have supported its mission.*

Where: Carew church is located at 820 Trevor's Road, Carew, Mid Canterbury



GOVERNANCE REPORT:

Parish Council met Tuesday 31 May with a very full agenda. We received from RangzenPro the new Detailed Seismic Assessment (DSA) reports for all our properties. While there is much in the report to be positive about, it has highlighted some challenges ahead for us in ensuring our buildings meet the PCANZ New Building Standard of 67%. To this end, we need to have a 'plan' in place by June 2024.

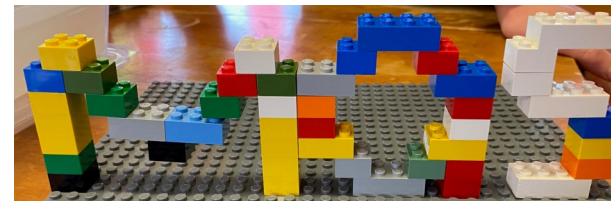
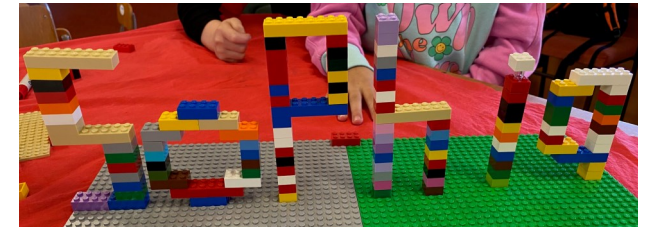
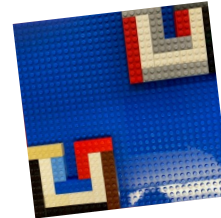
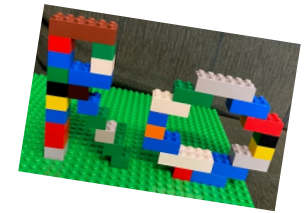
Staveley Church has been given a rating of 70% - not uncommon for wooden buildings. Methven Church and Mayfield Hall and adjoining rooms meet requirements while Mayfield Church, Methven Hall, Rakaia Church and Hall all need strengthening repairs to bring them up to the required standard. For strengthening work to be undertaken, Building Consents from Ashburton Council will be required, and this means also meeting current accessibility and fire regulations.

The report is very comprehensive and has been shared with Parish Council members as well as made available to members of the Property, Worship and Finance subcommittees. With support from Alpine Presbytery, we will be working through the report in the next 4 – 5 weeks and developing a plan to plot our approach in meeting these challenges.

While churches are more than our buildings – how we connect with each other, our community and God is our mission – we need to take responsibility for ensuring our buildings are safe, well maintained and meet PCANZ requirements. We will keep the parish informed of progress through the Bulletin (which is also on our website).

Photos from St. John's Brick Club!

Building our initials flat on a base plate then upwards and progressing to the rest of our name or decorating it.



Photos from Rakaia Fit Kidz!!

