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ANNUAL REPORTS

For preparation of our Annual Report Booklets please send your

Reports to Miranda at Plainsoffice@gmail.com by September 4th

Click [HERE](#) to print our worship service list

WORSHIP SERVICES

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| 13th Aug | 9:30 am | St. Andrew's Rakaia | Mr. Colin Price |
| | 10:30 am | St. John's Methven Combined with Staveley & Mayfield | Pastor Paul Eden |
| 20th Aug | 9:30 am | St. Andrew's Rakaia | Rev. Laurence Ennor |
| | 10:30 am | St. John's Methven | Mr. Colin Price |
| 27th Aug | 9:30 am | St. Andrew's Rakaia | Online with Kilmarnock |
| | 10:00 am | Trinity Mayfield Combined with Methven & Staveley | Pastor Paul Eden |
| 3rd Sept | 10:30 am | St. John's Methven Communion Shared lunch | Rev. Laurence Ennor |
| 10th Sept | 9:30 am | St. Andrew's Rakaia Communion | Rev. John Titlow |
| | 10:30 am | St. John's Methven | Worship Team |
| 17th Sept | 9:30 am | St. Andrew's Rakaia | Online with Kilmarnock |
| | 10:30 am | St. John's Methven | Rev. John Titlow |
| 24th Sept | 9:30 am | St. Andrew's Rakaia Spring Flower Service | Rev. Laurence Ennor |
| | 10:00 am | Staveley Combined with Mayfield & Methven | Pastor Paul Eden |

PLAINS PRESBYTERIAN NOTICES



Online Worship | Here is a link with Cashmere Presbyterian:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUJP_QtG038

A congregational meeting will be held at Mayfield Church on Sunday 27th August *after our service held at 10:00 am*

St. Andrew's Ashburton Invitation | Click the following link for more info:

<http://www.plainspresbyterian.co.nz/?p=2469>

St. Andrew's Rakaia ~ Jam for sale in the foyer! ~

Food Sharing Box in the foyer **Thank you to contributions

Sunday 13th August | 9:30 am at **St. Andrew's**

Join us at church on Sunday to hear Lydia's story from Acts 16 ; 6- 15. *Mr. Colin Price will lead in Worship.* Colin is also the convenor of Plains MSB and happy to discuss any suggestion on how we can move forward as a parish.



Tuesday 15th August 10:00 am | **Rakaia Fit Kidz**

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

2:00 pm | **Mission Meeting**

Saturday 30th September **PLANTS 4 U @ RAKAIA**

FIND MORE INFO ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE!

St. John's Methven Tuesday 15th August **St. John's Brick Club** 3:15 pm.

Tuesday 5th September **Focus Group Meeting** 7:30 pm

MESSAGE

Lydia was one of these God Fearers, they were people seeking a new spiritual, religious basis to their lives but hadn't yet committed to converting to Judaism. Lydia was one of the few women mentioned in name in the bible. She was a trader of purple cloth, a cloth that was expensive and precious.. Lydia was a successful business woman. We know Lydia was ready for change and accepted Paul's message about the risen Christ. Early Christians didn't have churches to meet in.



- Philip Garside.