

TAWA UNION CHURCH

(Christian Churches New Zealand,
Methodist, Presbyterian)

Christ Centred — Community Facing



Services 16 December 2018 Advent 3

9.30am Combined Music Service

Led By:	Rev Clare Lind
Technical Crew:	Vave Fifita & Semisi Fifita
Prayers of People:	Margaret Jenkins
Reception:	David & Barbara Russell
Morning Tea:	Gretta Dymond & Margaret Lake
Cleaning:	Tupou Family
Pantry:	Ian Harris
Tellers:	Graham Ellett & Andre Milkop
Flowers:	Sulia Nuku
Lectionary:	Isaiah 12:2-6 Luke3:7-18

1.00pm Tongan Language Service: Sulia Nuku

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9.30am Combined Children's Service

Led By:	Messy Church & Youth Group
Music:	Robin Thomson
Technical Crew:	John Melville & Vave Fifita
Reception:	Murray & Elspeth Chiles
Cleaning:	Messy Church & Youth Group
Pantry:	Nuku Family
Tellers:	Ian Harris
Flowers:	Robin Thomson & Graham Ellett
Lectionary:	Faith Delaney Isaiah 12:2-6 Luke3:7-18

1.00pm Tongan Language Service: Lewin Tupou

7.00pm Youth Group

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Welcome to Tawa Union Church

If you are a visitor we are pleased to meet you and hope you enjoy your time with us today. For further information on Tawa Union Church please speak to the worship leader or an elder, identifiable by their gold name tag. For office details see back page.

Please note your nearest fire exit.

The meeting place is the far end of the car park.

In an earthquake: Drop, Cover and Hold.

TUC Review

A reminder the Parish Review team will be here on Tuesday, 11 December. The time table for the afternoon/evening is:

The team will meet together at 4pm

They will meet the minister at 4.30pm.

They will share in a potluck tea with Church Council from 5pm -6pm.

From 6-7pm they will meet with church Council and Minister, followed by a time with just the Council.

From 7-7.30pm members of the congregation can join church Council and meet with the review team.

CHURCH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Nominations have been received for Junior Mwarehwa to stand for Church Council as a Youth Representative.

Junior is an active member in the church and presents her name for election. In accordance with our constitution, if any church member has an objection to her name going forward on the grounds of the nominee's life and witness, please contact TUCC Chairperson, Alapua Poasa (299-3692) or Rev Clare Lind (232-8844) in confidence by Wednesday 19th December.

A short special meeting will be held at 9.25pm on Sunday 23 December to present this proposal.

Public Issues

We are heading in to Christmas with the passing of the Child Poverty Reduction Act. The big news is that this is supported by the Coalition parties and the National party so it will give stability for child poverty reduction policy with or without a change of government.

The Act sets measures for reporting so that we can track progress on reducing poverty.

The Child and Youth Strategy needs detail on implementation, which will no doubt come out of the consultation which is underway. Public issues will contribute to this and welcomes your thoughts by 12 December!

We can celebrate this achievement - it is core to Methodist concerns.

Resources www.methodist.org.nz/public_questions_network/pi_resources

Cannon's Creek, Food Bank

We've received an update on the items appreciated by the Food Bank - including at this time of year, Christmas specials. Please consider the items on the list when you're next shopping. The need goes on, as does their thanks for our welcomed and on-going support.

Canned foods	Breakfast	Hygiene essentials	Christmas	Dry goods
tomatoes	Milk powder	toothbrush/paste	canned fruit	pasta
baked beans	oats	shampoo	mince pies	rice
spaghetti	spreads	soap	jelly	vermicelli
	cereals (not weetbix!)	sanitary products toilet	Biscuits / home baked cookies	
mackerel		paper washing powder	cake mixes	
soup	tea/coffee		anything else appropriate	



Available this week:

- **Central Roundup:** Women's Suffrage, Water of Life, Children and Families Ministry Mentoring
- MCNZ Presidential Team **Blog**
- LNIS **Synod Salt**
- **Bush Telegraph:** <https://www.presbyterian.org.nz/publications/bush-telegraph/2018/december-2018>
- **Touchstone** newspaper and **SPANZ** magazines are available in the foyer or you can find Touchstone MCNZ at: <http://www.methodist.org.nz/touchstone>



You are invited to ring in Christmas by **Caroling on Christmas Eve** at 6pm at Kenepuru Hospital. It is a most joyous way to begin the evening. We will meet at 6pm in the lobby of Kenepuru. All are welcome! Any questions contact Rev Amy Finiki on 0272716170

Hampton Hill School are looking for people to sit with and help children with their **CRE Christmas Crafts** tomorrow, Monday 10th December, from 9.15—11am.

If you are able to help please contact Sharnene on 027 243 4598 or go to the school office before 9.15 and they will tell you where to go.