

**Tongan Services 31 December 2018 - 11 January 2019**

31st December: 10pm—Midnight  
7th — 11th January: 6pm

**Sunday 6 January 9.30am Combined Service**

**Led by:** Keith Knox  
**Musician:** Elspeth Chiles  
**Tech crew:** John Melville & Vave Fifita  
**Prayers of People:** Gill Knox  
**Flowers:** Barbara Russell  
**Communion Preparation:** Jenny Wharton & Gretta Dymond  
**Communion Servers:** Ron & Helen Bichan and Lea & Siuka Tupou  
**Reception & Stewards:** Marjorie Todd & Margaret Lake  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 72:1-7;10-14 & Matthew 2:1-12  
**Tellers:** David Bray & Graham Ellett

**Tongan Language Service:** Combined Induction Service with Upper Hutt and Lower Hutt—Rev Hiueni Nuku

**Sunday 13 January 9.30am Combined Service**

**Led by:** Hugh Hill  
**Musician:** Robin Thomson  
**Tech crew:** Vave Fifita & Semisi Fifita  
**Prayers of People:** Margaret Jenkins  
**Tellers:** Graham Ellett & Robin Thomson  
**Morning Tea:** Murray & Elspeth Chiles  
**Reception & Stewards:** David & Heather Bray  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 29 & Luke 3:15-17;21-22

**Tongan Language Service:** Taaniela Fahamokioa (Vaituimate)

**Sunday 20 January 9.30am Combined Service**

**Led by:** Rev Clare Lind  
**Musician:** Margaret Jenkins  
**Tech crew:** Semisi Fifita & Toa Fifita  
**Prayers of People:** Keith Knox  
**Morning Tea:** Bruce & Heather Collins  
**Tellers:** Robin Thomson & David Belcher  
**Reception & Stewards:** David & Barbara Russell  
**Flowers:** Heather Collins  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 36:5-10 & John 2:1-11

**Tongan Language Service:** Failotu — Meletonga Nuku

**TAWA UNION CHURCH**

(Christian Churches New Zealand,  
Methodist, Presbyterian)

*Christ Centred — Community Facing*



**23 DECEMBER 2018 — 27 JANUARY 2019**

**Sunday 23 December 9.30am Service - Advent 4**

**Led by:** Rev Clare Lind  
**Musician:** Elspeth Chiles  
**Dry Cleaning:** John Melville  
**Technical Crew:** Semisi Fifita & Toa Fifita  
**Prayers of the People:** Keith Knox  
**Reception & Stewards:** David & Heather Bray  
**Morning Tea:** Peini Family  
**Tellers:** Andre Milkop & John Melville  
**Flowers:** Aivi Guenole & Tuitui Fifita  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 80:1-7 & Luke 1: 39-45  
**Afternoon Service:** 1pm Tongan Language: Rosemary Finau—Failotu

**Elder:** Murray Chiles  
**Reader:** Gill Knox  
**Pantry:** Ian Harris

**11.30pm Christmas Eve Service**

**Led by:** Rev Clare Lind  
**Technician:** John Melville  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 96 & Luke 2: 1-14

**Musician:** Don Lind



**9am Christmas Day Service**

**Led by:** Rev Clare Lind  
**Reader:** Helen Bichan  
**Technical:** Toa Fifita & Jacky Cocker  
**Morning Tea:** Margaret Lake & *Volunteer Please*  
**Tellers:** John Melville & Geoff Hughes  
**Reception & Stewards:** *Volunteer Please*  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 98 & John 1:1-14

**Elder:** Gill Knox  
**Musician:** Lois Hill



**Sunday 30 December 9.30am Combined Service**

**Led by:** Hugh Hill  
**Musician:** Margaret Jenkins  
**Tech crew:** Jacky Cocker & John Melville  
**Morning Tea:** Marjorie Todd & Barbara Allnutt  
**Tellers:** Geoff Hughes & David Bray  
**Flowers:** Mele Latu  
**Reception & Stewards:** Murray & Elspeth Chiles  
**Lectionary:** Psalm 148 & Luke 2: 41-52  
**Tongan New Years Eve Service 10pm—Midnight**

**Ministers Elder:** Adrienne Miller  
**Reader:** Robin Thomson  
**Prayers of People:** Helen Bichan  
**Cleaning:** Murray & Elspeth Chiles



### Foodbank

The Wesley Foodbank is remaining open on Mondays 24th and 31st December. Donations will be gratefully received. Thank you for your support of donations through out the year.

### CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Please give your support to the continuing work of CWS by giving to their Christmas Gift Appeal.

Envelopes went out with The Link or you can pop an envelope marked CWS Christmas Appeal in the offering bag and we will forward your donation to CWS, if you include your name and address you will receive a receipt for a tax rebate.



**CLARE** will be on leave from Christmas and back on Tuesday 15th January.

**CHURCH OFFICE** —Please note the office will be closed from Christmas and reopens on Tuesday 22 January.

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

### THE TUC GREAT SUMMER PICTURE SHOW

This year's categories are: Shadow / Reflection  
The Church Year  
Flower

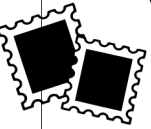


The images can be serious, whimsical, humorous, challenging, or sublime. They do need to be suitable for use in a church setting. All entries need to be in by Tuesday 19th February 2019.

Entry forms went out with The Link, are available in the foyer or can be downloaded from the church website:  
<http://tawaunionchurch.org.nz/noticeboard>  
Anyone with a connection to Tawa Union Church is eligible to enter.

**SAVE YOUR STAMPS** for NZ Riding for the Disabled, who can sell them and use the money to help their cause.

RDA is all about providing goal-based riding activities that increase the ability, independence and confidence of people with physical, intellectual, emotional and social challenges. Just drop your Christmas and other stamps in the box in the foyer.



**GIRLS' BRIGADE** will resume in February 2019, Mondays 6pm—7.30pm. New girls aged 5-18 welcome.

More details will be available from the end of January in the bulletin and Refrigerator Informator, both are available on the church website: [www.tawaunionchurch.org.nz](http://www.tawaunionchurch.org.nz) or you can contact Leanne on 232-2031.

Thank you for the gifts received for **Longview Home** residents Christmas party: "The gifts you donated contributed to a very joyous occasion and we are grateful for your support."

**Can you help teach refugees to drive?** 'Open Road' are currently seeking volunteer driving mentors in 2019 to mentor people from refugee backgrounds to learn to drive.



More details on the noticeboard in Stephen's Lounge.

*"I left Santa gluten-free cookies and organic soy milk and he put a solar panel in my stocking"*



### Sunday 27 January 9.30am Combined Service with Johnsonville Uniting

**Led by:** Rev Clare Lind

**Musician:** Lois Hill

**Tech crew:** Toa Fifita & Jacky Cocker

**Prayers of People:** Helen Bichan

**Morning Tea:** David & Barbara Russell

**Tellers:** David Belcher & Geoff Hughes

**Reception & Stewards:** Murray & Elspeth Chiles

**Flowers:** Sisilia Peini

**Lectionary:** Psalm 19 & Luke 4:14-216

**Ministers Elder:** Heather Collins

**Reader:** Margaret Jenkins

**Cleaning:** John Melville

**Pantry:** Gretta Dymond

**Tongan Language Service:** Po Iotu Ako (Education) - Nunia Fahamokioa