



## **Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand**

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*"God honouring, Christ following, Holy Spirit-led"*

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## **Healing Faith**

Blind, poor, and despised he strategically sat beside the road leading to one of the main entrances of the popular town Jericho. Having to depend on people's compassion to survive, made life hard and uncertain for him. As an excited crowd approached his position, he heard it was the man called Jesus and his followers who caused the stir. His belief that Jesus is the Messiah and the hope that He can help him, let the beggar call out loudly. "Shut up!" many condescendingly shouted at him with an attitude of 'who are you to impose on Jesus'. But he persisted...and Jesus stopped. After Jesus said: "Go, for your faith has healed you.", the man could see.

The restoration of his sight changed his world. He was now able to live a full life and not just exist. From that point on life was not perfect or easy, but he could live because he could see. And he started following the Way. A literal translation of Mark 10:52b would be 'And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus in the way'. His relationship with God was restored. What a powerful story this man had to tell people!

We need to remember we were blind but now can see. Through Jesus, we are healed and able to live a full life because our relationship with God was restored. What a story we have to tell. Never stop noticing and telling people about God's love and the adventure of following Jesus in the way.



*Jaco*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Welcome*

*Bible*                      **You raise me up**                      (Digital)

*Call to Worship*

*Song*                      **When peace like a river**

*Prayer*

*Song*                      **Open the eyes of my heart, Lord**    (Digital)

*Reading*                      **Mark 10: 46-52**  
**Hebrews 7: 23-28**

*Message*                      **Healing Faith**

*Song*                      **Amazing Grace**

*Prayer for Others*

*Song*                      **Christ be our light**

*Blessing*                      **The Lord bless you**                      (Digital)



*Prayer available after Service at the front of the Church*

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**Join us for fellowship in the lounge**

***You are invited*** to attend our in-person service on Sundays  
or watch the YouTube service on offer

### **Guidelines for Sunday services:**

Stay home if you are feeling unwell.

Wear a mask until you have taken your seat, and when you are singing.

Sanitise your hands

Sign in using the app or the sheet on the table in the foyer

If you join us for morning tea in the lounge – please be safety conscious.

Follow government guidelines as set out on webpage:

<https://covid19.govt.nz/activities/faith-based-gatherings/#faith-based-gatherings-at-alert-level-2> .

**Gardener:** We need someone to look after the church gardens. This excludes the lawns which are done by a contractor who donates his work to the church. Please let Jaco or Richard know if you can help with this task.

**Operation Christmas Child** boxes needs to be back by Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for everybody we took boxes and filled them with love. They will make a difference in children's lives and the Kingdom.

**Would you like to occasionally prepare a meal** for people who can do with such an expression of our care and love? There is a current need we would like to address. Please let Gail Walker (544 2179 / 027 316 3510 / [gaillindawalker@gmail.com](mailto:gaillindawalker@gmail.com)) know if you can help.

**A musical group** is meeting in the church on Thursdays at 12 pm. We invite anyone who loves to play or sing, or even if you would just like to sit and listen, as we express our worship of God through music (no musical ability needed – just a heart of worship). Contact Joshua (022 369 6769) for further details.

**Library** has some new books on the display/top shelf. There are fiction, biographies, devotionals and more. Register the books you take in the notebook available for this purpose.

**READING GROUP** meets on Wednesday 27th October, 1.30pm to 3pm at 224A Welcome Bay Rd. Anyone welcome. Just a relaxed time to share what we are reading and enjoy a cuppa together. Contact Joan Bryant (027 773 3811) for more information.

**Spiritual Growth Group** meets again Wednesday 20 October at 13:00 in the lounge discussing Matthew "God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied." This group meets every first and third Wednesday of the month at 13:00 in the lounge.

**Zoom study group** meets on Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> we will discuss the Faithful Servant as found in Matthew 24:42-51. The zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9207370474>

St. Enoch's Working Women (**STEW**) meets every first Thursday of the month. Contact Anel (021 268 3064) for more information.

Join the **Sunday morning Prayer Group** in Jaco's office from 09:00 every Sunday.

Join the **Men's Coffee Group** every Tuesday at 10:00 in the café in Mitre 10 Mega for morning tea and friendly conversation. Contact Rex Eagle 543 1606 / 027 284 2317 for more information.

**Ladies Coffee Group** meets on Tuesdays at Columbus Coffee Gate Pa at 10am. Everybody is welcome to join this happy gathering. Contact Cynthia 544 3053 for more information.

**Have-a-Go** invites you to join them on a Wednesday morning at 09:30 for fun fellowship and great morning tea. Bring your craft work along.



## ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEK

**WORSHIP LEADER:** Rev Dr Jaco Reyneke  
**VESTRY ELDER:** Minette Soekoe  
**MORNING TEA:** Bernice & Geoff Tyrrell  
**DOOR / OFFERING:** Tofia, Peter & Monisa Tautali  
**HEALING/PRAYER MINISTRY:** Iris Stockwell

## ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Sunday 31st October**

**WORSHIP LEADER:** Rev Dr Jaco Reyneke  
**VESTRY ELDER:** Minette Soekoe  
**MORNING TEA:** Ken & Lyn Hartley  
**DOOR / OFFERING:** Doug & Kitty Naude  
**HEALING/PRAYER MINISTRY:** Lesley Ayers



## Prayer

After each service someone will be sitting in one of the front pews. Go to them to **have them pray for you** or **pray with them for someone or something**. If you would like the ***Prayer Chain*** to pray for you, or for your prayer need to be made known on the Sunday bulletin, talk to Gail Walker or Jaco.

### **Please pray:**

For New Zealand's transition into a situation where we will have to live with Covid-19 in our communities; for hospital and other medical staff under huge strain in preparation for and anticipation of more Covid-19 patients needing care; for people increasingly feeling the effect of the virus and lockdowns on their mental, financial and interpersonal health; for NZ to remain a society where people respect each other and care for each other.

**Individual Needs:** Maide Belk; Joan Bryant; Hector Mein, Philip Temple; Ralph and Rowie Morris, Iris Dudson; Beryl; Brian.

