

Knox Parish Newsletter

October 2025

From Ron's Desk

Spring has sprung and new buds are appearing on various trees and shrubs all over the place ... and spring is an annual reminder that we worship the God of the resurrection. Jesus rose from the grave, conquering sin and death and imparting life to all who believe.

These green shoots that are emerging are a wonderful metaphor of life in the church ... new buds, re-vitalisation, joy, expectation ... may we at Knox in Morrinsville allow the Holy Spirit to bring new life and energy into our midst.

If you're reading this and you haven't been to church in a while, perhaps it's time to come along and join the fun, food and fellowship that we are enjoying together as we worship the living God.

Love and blessings to you all, Rev Ron.



October Services

- 05 Clive Thomson
- 12 Rev Ron Communion
- 19 Rev Ron
- 26 Clive Thomson Mission Luncheon

October Duties

Morning Tea Roster

- 05 Rae & Bev Seales
- 12 Vicki Smith & Sharon Alexander
- 19 Rhonda Grey & Mary Discombe
- 26 Jackie Cantley & Glenys Middlemiss Luncheon

Door Duty

- 05 & 12 David & Dyan Robins
- 19 & 26th Glenys Middlemiss & Fatima Lock

Church Cleaning

- 12
- 26 Clare & David Walters

Flower Roster

- 05 & 12 Bev Seales
- 19 & 26 Clare Walters

Duty Elder

Glenys Middlemiss

Session meets on the 21 October @3pm in the Meeting room.

Session News

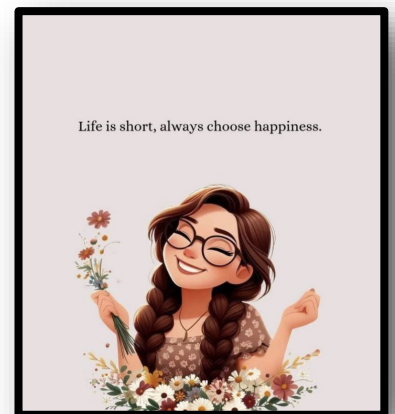
Please join the Community Choir for an afternoon of music, fun and food on the 11th October at 2pm.

Vision casting for the future. Members of the Session and Board of Managers will be travelling to Te Awamutu, on the 7th October, to view the Presbyterian Church which has recently been built by WCML. This firm is working on plans and ideas for the revitalization of the church Hall (Campbell Hall).

Session is introducing a Bible Study on the structure of the Bible starting on the 5th November at 2pm (for the month of November, led by Rev Ron) followed by the Wednesday prayer group. Feel free to attend the bible study, even if you are unable to join the prayer group. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ephesians 4: 4-6 There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling, one Lord one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

Pray that all will come to an understanding of what the 'seven one's' mean to us as a congregation, and that through them we might be truly unified.



Board of Managers meets on the 13th October @7pm in the Meeting Room.

There is to be a Garden working bee here at the church on Friday 17th October from 10a.m. If interested in helping please contact Mary Discombe on waikato70@hotmail.com

Kitchen – Innovant has been asked to quote for replacing the remaining sliding door and making a new set of drawers.

Lawns & Grounds – Mary Discombe presented a proposal putting herself forward to be responsible for the maintenance of the Church Gardens, This was accepted. There will be a working bee this month, but in the meantime please collect your old newspapers (no magazines) and bring them along to the church. These will be use to replace the old weed mat. Any questions please contact Mary Ph 027 294 4418

Church Fair – Friday 3 October/Garage Sale 4 October – All enquiries contact Rena Bill on 889 7472 or 021 0367 616

Building Fund – To date, the Balance of the Building Fund is \$25,646

Contacts



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(Please leave a message)
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Session Clerk

Glenys Middlemiss 027 4533 956

Tuesday Home Group



Jennifer Bills 889 4199

Finances

If you would like to go on the envelope system for Offerings, please contact Glenys. She will give you a number and you can use that for online giving, or envelopes for this purpose. You are welcome to make online payments to:

Account Name:

Morrinsville Presbyterian Church

use this name for all accounts

General Account

01– 0367-0007970 –00

(use this for normal church offerings)

Mission Account

01-0367-0007970-01

(use this for Mission giving)

Building fund Account 01-0367-0007970-050

(for donations towards Building projects)

PARISH FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Knox-Morrinsville/>

Website:

<http://www.knoxmorrinsville.org.nz/index.htm?id=50217>

Personal and Property Safety

We would like to remind people to keep a close eye on your valuables while in church. There have been recent thefts from churches during Sunday services. Unfortunately there are some in society that do not respect others and their property.

Bible Study Group

Meets at Jennifer's place on Tuesday mornings at 10:15am during the school term, however, on Tuesday 7th October, the Bible Study will be held at John & Bev Reids home. All are welcome

Mission Group News

Open Doors (OD) is a global membership organization with one mission and that is to support persecuted Christians worldwide.

More than 380 million Christians face high levels of persecution and discrimination for their faith (i.e. they are denied access to jobs and education, are arrested, attacked and even killed).

Open Doors doesn't work to end persecution, instead OD exists to strengthen the Persecuted Church through it by:

- * Discipleship - providing Bibles, training counselling
- * Community Development - sustainable projects
- * Emergency relief - food, shelter, medicines and other essentials
- * Impact - by working hard to make sure our gift makes the greatest impact in the lives of those who risk everything to follow Jesus.

On the International Day of Prayer 17,440 Kiwis prayed with the Persecuted Church.

Our Church, Knox Morrinsville, is continuing to support the Persecuted Church through Open Doors during this current financial year.

Kafe@Knox

Kafe@Knox is held on the 4th Thursday of the month from 10.00am so, if you haven't been before, come along, bring a friend and enjoy a time of fellowship and a lovely morning tea. Next date is 23 October – all welcome.

Everybody's Op Shop

If anyone feels they can spare a couple of hours every seven weeks to help please let Frances know (Ph 021 0239 2538) In addition to the charities mentioned in the September newsletter, we have also given \$750 to the Tahuna Volunteer Fire Brigade towards the purchase of their new First Response vehicle. Our next stint at the Op Shop is from Monday 20 – Saturday 25 October. This will be the last for this year.

Prayer Chain

We have an email prayer chain outreach for intercessory prayer. If you would like to have a prayer included, please contact Jackie Cantley, at jacall@xtra.co.nz. Please include Prayer request in the subject line, if the prayer is urgent please indicate. Or ring Jackie on 0272275012. If I am unavailable please leave your contact name and number.

If you would like to be an email intercessor please contact Jackie.

Testimonies

Please contact an Elder if you feel inspired by God to bring a testimony during a service.

This can be in the form of a sermon or a short message.