

Mt Albert Presbyterian Church

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Order of Service & Weekly Notices 30 June 2019

Vision

To reflect God's love
by faithfully following
Jesus as we reach out
to the community.

Mission

To introduce
people to Jesus
and help them begin
and continue
a life-changing
relationship with Him.

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Galatians 5:

1 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

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Psalm 77

13 Your ways, God, are holy. What god is as great as our God? 14 You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples. 15 With your mighty arm you redeemed your people...

Introit:

Call to worship:

Hymn: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Prayers:

The Peace of Christ:

Greetings & Notices:

Prayer for Children Ministry:

Hymn: The Summons – Will you come and follow me

Prayer:

Readings: (1) Galatians 5:1, 13 – 25 (2) Luke 9:51 – 62

Message:

Prayers:

The Lord's Prayer Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Offering: Let us bring our offering to God

Hymn: Be Thou My Vision

Benediction:

Three fold Amen

Lectionary readings for 7 July 2019

* 2 Kings 5:1-14

* Psalm 30

* Galatians 6:7-16

* Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Lectionary readings for 14 July 2019

* Amos 7:7 – 17

* Psalm 82

* Colossians 1:1 – 14

* Luke 10:25 – 37

Thank you for joining us in worship today. If you are visiting from another congregation, please convey our greetings to your home Church.

Hospitality 11.10am:

Join us for morning tea in the hall after the service. All welcome!

Services coming up:

30 June 10am Morning Service
7 July 10am Morning Service
14 July 10am Morning Service
21 July 10am Morning Service
28 July 10am Annual Children's Service

Music

Dr Michael Jenkins
Barbara Olds
Joshua Arulanandham
Bruce Short

Preacher

Rev Tani Haunga
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Children & Youth

Church Duty Roster:

30 June – Teresa Afosa
7 July – Paese Alesana
14 July – Josie Fualetaelau
21 July – Ruth Alesana

Duty Elder:

June – Laga Fuimaono
July – Valerie Candy

Door Duty:

June – Maiava Letoga
July – Levaoalii Alesana

Sweeping carpark

June – Liliu's Family
July – Mele & Heilala

Morning tea roster:

30 June – Congregation
7 July – To'o and Fia Filiva'a Family
14 July – Congregation
21 July – Perise & Lamoni Family

Duty Managers:

June – Kwame and Lata
July – Asafo, Junior & Tai Lamoni

Projector & Sound desk

June – Fale, Lata
June – Elton, Setoa

Meetings coming up

7 July 11.30am – Outreach Committee
14 July 11.30am – Pastoral Care & Social
21 July 11.30am – Property & Finance

Community Soup ministry continues on Tuesday 12noon. All welcome!

Wednesday Prayer Meeting continues 11am every Wednesday morning. Feel free to pass on your prayer needs to Tani or Simon, or place your written prayer request in the Prayer box by the ramp. And if you need prayer anytime, do speak with the minister.

Sunday Evening Study We will continue our Bible Study session tonight as we reflect and watch the 2nd part of the movie 'God's not dead 2'. As Christians, when we go through sufferings, trials and persecutions to make a stand for the Lord, is it all worth it? This movie will inspire and encourage us in our journey.

Bonfire / Movie night

Join us on Saturday evening (6th July) for a Bonfire on the grass area at the back of the hall. Starting at 6pm, we enjoy roasted (or burnt) marshmallows as we singalong and listen to some live music. Plan B is in place for a movie evening if weather is too wet. All welcome.

Women's Fellowship

Note that our lunch fellowship will be on Tuesday 16th July. Please mark your diary and more information will come.

Kids Friendly Art & Writing competition is now open and will close in August.

Theme: Love Reaches Out. This month we open our 'Love Reaches Out' Art and Writing Competition. Our theme this year is: *"Make a Difference: I can, You can, We can"* - *"Mahi Rereke: Ka taea e au, Ka taea e koe, Ka taea e tātou"*.

We encourage pre-schoolers through to Year 8's, as individuals or as a group, to respond creatively to this theme, as we seek ways to reach out in love and kindness. Please see noticeboard for more details.

Luke 9:51-62

Verses 51-56: Jesus is traveling to Jerusalem and nothing is going to stop him (9:51—19:27). Jerusalem is where he will be killed and where (nearby) he will ascend to heaven. He sends messengers to a Samaritan village, but they will not receive him because he is going to Jerusalem. James and John ask/suggest if they should call fire down on the village (something like 1 Kings 18:38 or 2 Kings 1:10), but Jesus rebukes them and goes to another village.

Verses 57-62: A person approaches him and offers/promises to follow Jesus wherever he goes. Jesus announces that he, the Son of Man, has no permanent home. Jesus tells another person to follow him, but this fellow wants to bury his father first. Jesus orders him to let the dead bury the dead. He should go proclaim about God's kingdom. Another person states he will follow Jesus but he must first bid farewell to his family. Jesus announces that deciding to follow him replaces all other obligations.

Joseph A. Fitzmyer summarizes Jesus' interaction with the three would-be disciples: "Thus, the following of Jesus does not simply mean imitation of him, but entering into the very conditions of his life, ministry, and lot. It calls a person to a sacrifice of security (Case I), filial duty (Case II), and family affection (Case III)" (*The Gospel According To Luke 1:834-835*).