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<u>Upcoming Services</u> Sunday 7th August—Combined Service, Preacher Rev Utumau'u Pupulu Sunday 14th August—Worship Leader Philip Garside

<b>Upcoming Rosters:</b>
<u>Sunday 7 August</u>
Notices: Samoan Congregation
Readings: Tongan/Peter Grundy
Door Stewards: Samoan Congregation
Communion Steward: Samoan
Congregation
Morning Tea: Hosts Fijian
congregation
Flowers: Samoan Congregation

### Sunday 14 August

Notices: Rachel Tevita Readings: Leatuavao Family Door Stewards: Lusi and Gertie Tevita Morning Tea: Conway family Flowers: Samoan Congregation

### Next Sunday Reading:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20, Psalm 33:12-22 Heb 11: 1-3, 8-16, Luke 12: 32-40

### **Meetings Coming Up:**

**Lower North Island Synod**—5th and 6th August, in Feilding

**Parish Social Committee**—7th August, 11:30am following worship

**10+ group**—Sunday 14th August, 4:00pm.

**10am Leaders Meeting**—Tuesday 16th August, 7:00pm in Vestry.

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# Events Coming Up:

<u>Crazy whist social night</u>—Saturday 6th August, 7:00pm, in the New Hall. A crazy card night suitable for those who like playing cards, and those who have never played. Everyone is welcome. Please bring a plate for supper.

### Advanced Notice-10am AGM-

Sunday 25th September. Those who need to prepare reports, please note these will be due in by Friday 9th September.

### Mid-week discussion group—

Wednesday 3rd August 2022, 10:30am in the vestry and 7:00pm via zoom. Please feel free to join either of these groups. The focus will be on ministry in the 21st Century. The discussion paper is a Connexional paper focusing on ministry. If you would like a copy of the paper or would like to take part in one of the discussion groups, please let Nicola know.

**Exercise class**—will begin on Friday 5th August, 7pm in the old hall. Come and join with other members of our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Mid-week lunch**—The next mid-week lunch will be held on August 24th, 12noon. This will be a pot luck lunch, followed by games. All parish members are invited.

## Other News:

<u>**CWS Tee-shirts</u>**—Can we make it to \$1,000 for the CWS donation? Nicola has now received the last available (nation wide) CWS Operation Refugee Tee-shirts. Two have been requested, this leaves the final 6 as follows:</u>

- 2 x XL
- 2 x L
- 2 x M

If you want to make a bid, give your offer to Nicola.

Methodist Alliance-Members of the Methodist Alliance are working all over Aotearoa to build a world of peace, of justice, freedom and truth. Many Parishes and Missions operate foodbanks for those that would otherwise go hungry. These foodbanks report an increase in people accessing their services who are "the working poor." They are working, but their income does not cover the increasing costs of rent, power, etc. The sad reality today is that many people are living on a deficit budget with not enough money coming into cover the basics and so they are faced with difficult decisions of what bills to pay, and what to go without. If you are unwaged and are surviving on a benefit, the sad reality is that the benefit levels are so very low, that it is unlikely that it will cover all the basics of food, rent, power, and phone.

Synod will be discussing a paper from Methodist Alliance. The paper is asking us to consider a how we might find a way as a community for a greater sharing of wealth to support living incomes for everyone. If you would like a copy of this paper and wish to make comment, please request a copy from Nicola.

**Bulletin Contribution** If you have anything for the bulletin, please have it in to the office by Thursday 12 noon.