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Newsletter 5th February 2020

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Presbytery Gathering - 27th to 29th March at St David's Union Church Ashburton

Register for this important event as we gather from across the Presbytery. With General Assembly planned for later in 2020 this Gathering will be our *only* Gathering during 2020.

Key aspects of this Gathering will include:

- * Launching of our Alpine Mission Fund "Have a Go" project;
- * Updates from our Hanmer & Prestons new mission projects;
- * Presentation and adoption of our revised Alpine Presbytery Strategic Framework;
- * PCANZ Moderator Rev Fakaofa Kaio's reflections on his term as Moderator;
- * Keynote Speaker Rev Spanky Moore on Culture & the Church;
- * Choice of workshops which will include:
 - Multi-generational Discipleship
 - Care for Creation
 - Pastoral Care
 - Ministry to the Third Age / Pastoral Care for seniors / Ministry in Rest Homes
 - Outsmarting Porn
- * A special social time for our outgoing Executive Officer
- * Appointment process for our incoming Presbytery Moderator;
- * Information on Resourcing events coming up in 2020;
- * Combined worship at St David's on Sunday morning;
- * Great opportunities to connect with people from across our Presbytery!

Register for our Gathering here - <https://forms.gle/d6NjWnjoW9aimrBB9>

Youth Hui - 27th March

If you currently work with young people in Alpine, we want to hear from you. You are invited to come along to a Hui at St David's Church in Ashburton on the 27th March from 10am - 2.30pm to meet and connect with others working with youth and to help us discern what is next for us in this area of ministry.

Registrations are now open here: <https://forms.gle/9zRByx2uSycDtr3x7>, and Presbytery will cover travel and food costs for the day.

East Side Multicultural Games event

Crossway Community Church, North Avon Baptist and Delta Community Support trust are working together to present the East Side Multicultural Games event—where culture and fun meet. Come and enjoy unique games from different cultures – there's something for everyone. From relaxing, stimulating games, where you can sit and chat and learn, to those that will give a bit of a workout. Then enjoy a taste of ethnic food. All this and more with a vibrant multicultural community at your doorstep. Everything is free!

Nationalities from other Presbyterian congregations are invited to join them in bringing this fun community event to the community. They are looking for music, singing, and also some people to contribute with games from their culture which are unique to NZ. Contact Julia de Groot at jewelsdg@gmail.com

Download the poster here: [Eastside Multicultural Games](#)

Book Launch - 9th March

The Very Rev Rob Yule has written a book on the Holy Spirit and the Charismatic Renewal as you will see in the attachment - [here](#)

The book launch will be held at Hope Presbyterian Church Hornby in Christchurch commencing at 7.30pm on Monday 9th March where Rob will speak briefly and be present to converse.

Resources from Hewitson Library

Here are the contents pages from the most recent issues of:

[Christianity Today, Vol 64 No 1, January/February 2020](#)

[Seen Journal, Vol XIX No 2, 2019](#)

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Election of the next PCANZ Moderator

All Parish Councils should have received this week a memo from the Assembly Executive Secretary concerning the process of electing the next Moderator of the General Assembly (2022). The memo is attached [here for you](#) if you have not seen it.

Please note that Parish Councils / Sessions are invited to send their nominations to the Executive Officer of Presbytery **no later than 5pm on Thursday 9th April 2020**.

Please feel free to contact Presbytery if you need further information.

General Assembly 2020

This year's General Assembly will be held at Lindisfarne College, in the Hawkes Bay, from Wednesday evening 30th September through till Sunday morning the 4th October.

Part of the Presbytery process in the lead-up to GA20 is selecting Commissioners to attend. You may recall that the new process involves selecting a spread of Commissioners from Presbytery on the ratio of one Commissioner for every 100 members across the Presbytery.

Unfortunately we have a 'hold-up' in this process because not all parishes have supplied their membership statistics to PCANZ. Forms were sent to all parishes in May 2019 to be returned by the 31st August 2019. To date only 69% of our churches have managed to file their returns so you may have received an email from Gail seeking this data urgently. If so, please ensure you tell us as soon as possible so that we can confirm Commissioner numbers - thank you!

Induction Service - February 17th

We have a special service of Induction for Rev Charissa Nicol as Chaplain to Rangi Ruru Girls' School on Monday 17th February at 1.45pm. As numbers are limited for this event please contact the Presbytery Executive Officer (barry@alpinepresbytery.org) if you are thinking of attending to ensure that there will be room for you. If you cannot attend we invite you to send a message to Charissa via the Executive officer as well.

Prestons New Mission Seedling

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Josh Olds to the role as Team leader of the Prestons New Mission Seedling, following the resignation of Rev Charissa Nicol late last year. Josh and his family

have recently moved into the Prestons area, and we are excited to explore this new season of the seedling with them. His has experience in youth ministry, and working in High Schools, plus a desire to see other forms of church emerge makes this an exciting opportunity. We wish Charissa well in her new role as Chaplain at Rangī Ruru Girls' School in Christchurch. Any enquiries to Darryl, darryl@alpinepresbytery.org



Hi everyone! I'm Josh Olds, the new team leader for the Preston's New Mission Seedling Project. I'm married to Susan and we have a 3 year old daughter Harper. As a family we just moved into Prestons Park and are looking forward to getting to know some of our neighbours and getting involved with the project. I'm Christchurch born and bred and prior to this role had been a youth pastor at an Anglican church in Burnside. Like almost everyone else I consider myself both a craft beer and a coffee snob. I enjoy getting out for a fish every now and then (preferably over to the coast for trout!) and also am a keen follower of sports (cricket, rugby and the NBA).

I grew up in a Baptist church, started in ministry in an Anglican church and now find myself part of the Presbyterian whānau. Based on my own experience of church and ministry and also through having family in church senior leadership positions, I've developed a keen interest in exploring fresh ways that church's can function and exist. I'm looking forward to getting stuck in and connecting with you!

Josh Olds.

Telling our Stories - videos

The latest of our video stories is now online, this time of Kiwi Church. Search for the Aline Presbytery YouTube channel, (where you will find all of our stories) or select:

Short story: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=saA3drcEflM>

Longer version: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zIDD9EhAtO4>

All-Age Worship Resource

Rosie Staite has worked as a Minister of Cooperating Churches for 10 years in South Canterbury a while ago, and had 30 years in church leadership, especially with the Anglican denomination. In 2015 her first volume of practical All Age Worship resources was published, and was very well received throughout NZ, and has now sold out. Last year her All Age Worship Vol 2 was published, and it has a wider focus for use in homes, churches and schools. It was very well received at the National Anglican Schools' Conference, and at the Dunedin SU conference; So far she has sold half of the print run, so there are still copies available.

For more information search for the book on Philip Garside Publishing for \$35 plus p&p, or contact Rosie direct for \$30 plus p&p.

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COMING UP

The Gentle Revolution—Emerging Green Churches of Europe: 16 February, at Chapel of the Waves

Induction of Rev Charissa Nicol as Chaplain at Rangī Ruru: 17 February

Mission Fund and Presbytery Grants applications closing dates: 28 February

Induction of Rev Dennis Flett to Hope Church: 15 March

Presbytery Gathering: 27—29 March, Ashburton

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Details of events, or requests to be added to the distribution list, should be emailed by **Thursday 13th February**.

We encourage you to send us details of any events in your area that you think may

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Christchurch Camino Group

Public meeting with Brother Peter Bray

SHARE THE NEWS

be of interest to others—both in the wider Presbytery and limited to your local area. This can include events organised by partner and linked organisations as well as from our own Parishes.

As Gail is on leave until 17 February, please forward any items for inclusion in next week's Newsletter to Barry Ayers: barry@alpinepresbytery.org

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PRESBYTERY DIRECTORY

[Click here](#) to download the latest public directory (dated January 2020).

Any amendments or corrections should be advised to Gail in the Presbytery Office.

THE ALPINE PRESBYTERY STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

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