



St Paul's
Presbyterian Church

“Where Faith in Jesus Christ Flourishes”



Sunday 20 September 2026

David Foris

“The Best Translation”
John 8:31-32

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WHAT'S ON

Katikati Combined Church Service

Katikati Baptist Community Church will be hosting the Katikati Combined Church Service tonight at 7pm. A number of ministries are involved in a number of our churches as well as the Reach out Trust giving us an update and an area of need which we will pray for during the service. For more information, please contact Patric on 027-98-6926

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Please join the men of St Paul's for the **Men's Prayer Breakfast** on **Saturday, 4 October from 7:30am**. For more information, please reach out to **Paul 027-423-0836**

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School Holidays

There will be NO children's church or mainly music during the school holidays starting 26 September to 12 October.



AGM

St Paul's Annual General Meeting will be held on **Sunday, 11 October** after the service.

Updating PhoneBook

The phonebook will be updated again and sent out after the AGM. Please send your updated information if you would like it to be in the Phonebook.

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Alpha

Marriage Course

Contact Patrick 0279786926

What You'll Get :

- 7 weeks to journey together in your marriage
- practical, informative talks
- candlelit dinners

\$70
50% deposit to secure your place

Private couple discussion no group sharing

The Marriage Course

STARTS 11th OCT

Spaces are limited!

Make contact if cost is a barrier

Registration Form and more info

Info Video

Location Katikati Baptist Church




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YOU'RE INVITED TO A

LIGHT PARTY!

THEME: **UNDER THE SEA**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31ST

5:30 PM onwards

A SAFE, FUN ALTERNATIVE TO HALLOWEEN!

GAMES! FOOD! FUN! PRIZES! AND MORE!

KATIKATI COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

2 WEDGEWOOD STREET, KATIKATI

All welcome!



Christmas is coming And It is time to fill a shoe box



Help yourself to a box in the foyer and return them to the big box under the table.

Boxes have instructions inside explaining how to fill them and a small tab with return date.

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 Christmas shoe boxes are here!

 Last year 12 million boxes went out globally.

 1/4 of the children made commitments to Jesus

 After attending the 12 week discipleship programme that is offered with the gift box.

 Our \$12.50 freight includes giving out these Christian resources.

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ParkinSpot

August Adventure...

Travel

Back in the North.... We were tasked with the adventure of driving Nana and Grandad's new ride (motorhome) from Christchurch to Tauranga. We decided to travel up the west coast of the north island which took us through the little town of Foxton, on the way to Whanganui. Foxton was high on my travel list because of the Mewingtons book shoppe. It's an old fashioned bookshop with real cats napping amongst the stories. There was a wardrobe full of fur coats to the Narnia scene, a hobbit doorway into a hobbit home scene and the dawn Treader boat to climb on, and don't forget Aslan.



Next up was Whanganui where we hung out with our friend Faith, explored the rainbow tunnel to the elevator and climbed the Wanganui Memorial Tower, the wind was outrageous and it felt like the tower was going to blow over.



Travel

After Wanganui we headed north to the three sisters and Elephant rock, there was smelly, slimy, squishy mud that we sunk into as we walked out to the rocks. The iron sand was beautiful and blue, I thought it was bioluminescence at first but turns out that the blue was actually so black it looked blue against the silt mud. I slipped over in the mud and it was freezing but once we got onto the beach it was all worth it. The rock formations were extraordinary, they were massive. We hunted for elephant rock till it was almost dark and discovered that the head and trunk had fallen into the sea years ago.



We spent the next few weeks staying at Bowentown, Waihi beach visiting friends and enjoying the not so warm BOP.

We flew back to Christchurch in time for the FamilyLife 'Weekend to Remember' conference that mum and dad were helping with. Zoe and I spent the weekend playing tennis and roaming the clearwater resort grounds making sure we didn't get hit on the head with golfballs.

While in Christchurch we finished up August with a visit to the legendary Ninja Valley!!!! It was EPIC as we raced each other across obstacle courses and bounced over trampolines.



Ministry Update

It's been a big month of ministry for the ParkinSpot. We have met with pastors and marriage mentors up and down NZ sharing about the vision FamilyLife has for marriage week 2026. We finished off the month helping facilitate the Christchurch 'Weekend to Remember' conference at the beautiful Christchurch Clearwater resort. These weekends are always so encouraging to see couples come and restore hope in their marriage, rekindle the love that once brought them together and gain a greater understanding of the fullness that marriage can be. Here are just some amazing testimonies from couples who attended the weekend.

"I most appreciated the time put aside to spend discussing topics and strategies to love one another better, as it's hard to find time to do this in everyday life."

"We have been separated for 6 months, 3 young kids, hanging on by a thread, this has given life to our marriage."

"This has been an awakening moment for problems my husband and I have battled for a while. It confirmed we want to fight for each other."

"We were almost about to end our marriage two weeks ago. There was financial stress and a baby on the way, life seemed unbearably hard. But Family Life was an answer to our prayers. I am so incredibly grateful to God to have made me come across such a profound and life changing event.... I not only now look at my husband with a new found love, I have found a new way to enjoy life and properly perform my responsibilities as a wife."

What an incredible testimony of the value of these weekends. If you would like to know more about when the next "weekend to remember" is near you please give us a shout, also please pray for us as we continue to discern and make decisions for our future and the journey we are on with FamilyLife.



Baptism

Baptism is an important part of what it means to follow Jesus. If you are interested and want to know more, please talk with Ken Harray or our Session Clerk, Vanya Wallis.



CHURCH LIBRARY *Open!*



NEW BORROWING & RETURN SYSTEM *now in place!*

You can find simple instructions in the white "Church Library" folder on the trolley in the library area.



MORE FOR FAMILIES!

More children's books and DVDs are now available for families to enjoy.



DEVOTIONALS

A devotionals section has been added in the Children & Families area, and we will create a devotionals section in the main area when we have more to offer.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE?

If you have a devotional you'd like to donate to the library, please let Lynette or Glennis know.



FAITH
HOPE
LOVE
DEVOTIONALS
CHILDREN'S BOOKS
DVDs



WE HOPE YOU ENJOY USING
the library!



Any questions?

Please reach out to **Lynette Douglas** or **Glennis Keown**.



Thank you for supporting
our church library! ❤️

CHURCH GIVING AND BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

If you wish to set up an automatic payment or donate to St Paul's, please use the following details:

Katikati Presbyterian Church, **02-0340-0013449-00**

We don't take up an offering during the service. If you would like to give, please use the wooden box in the foyer. Thank you.

Month	Incoming	Outgoing	Difference
August	\$13,892.83	\$11,386.91	\$2,505.92

Prayer

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Every **Tuesday** morning from **8:30** in the **meeting room**.
Sunday mornings before service in the **Chapel** from **9am**.
Reflectively **before service** in the **auditorium**.
Use the **Chapel** any time during office hours.

Just **please sign in and out at reception**. For **specific prayer requests**, contact **Vanya/pastoral team**.

For more information on St Pauls and what we are about and what we do, please visit our website. [Home | St Paul's Presbyterian Church Katikati](#)

SMALL GROUPS

Monday Afternoon - Monday afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.00pm at 34 Longmynd Drive, Katikati. Contact Alison 027 662 3246 or Paul Parish on 027 423 0836.

Bible Study at the Foris Home Group – 44 Ballantyne Way, Mondays 7pm. Ph 07-549-3346. On 31 August we will be starting an exegetical study on the book of Jonah. All are welcome.

Tuesday Morning Prayer Meeting – In the meeting room at 9:30

His Youth

Friday nights from 7-9pm for Youth 12 and older (Year 8 and up) at St Paul's Church – during term times only



Mainly Music

This is a fun music and movement group for pre-school aged children and their parents or caregivers. Friday morning (**except school and public holidays**). A door charge of \$3 per child, \$5 per family. Contact Cheryl Harray

mainlymusic@stpaulskatikati.org.nz or stpaulskkmm@gmail.com

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