

Hawkesbury Church of Chríst

Meeting at 23 Bosworth Street Richmond Worship 10.00am. Bible Study 11.15am Contact number: 02 4578 1029 Website: Church of Christ Hawkesbury.com

January 2023 Bulletín

<u>Covid is still with us so mask wearing is encouraged during</u> <u>worship.</u>

## <u>2023</u>

As we begin a New Year, many of us may make New Year resolutions. I, for one, may have made a few over my lifetime but they have never lasted more that a week or two. With this thought in mind, perhaps it is more timely to give more consideration to our commitment to God.

Last Sunday, Sam preached from the book of Amos which dealt with Israel not worshipping as God had commanded and the punishment that would await if their ways were not changed.

We were asked the question "What is in our hearts?". Do we have many worldly activities that we put first? Are we more concerned with hobbies and worldly interests than to put God first?

Amos 5:4 reads Seek Me and live.

Two weeks ago, Israel preached on the Kingdom and Keeping the Faith. Matt 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (faith or hobbies?)

Matt6 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Luke 17:20 Now when He was asked by the Pharasees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; (21) nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there'! For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you."

As we begin 2023 perhaps we could make a resolution to Put Christ First, keeping the faith and during hard times, keep smiling and be thankful with our hearts full of the Spirit.

With thanks to Sam White and Israel Rogonasau.

## **Prayers**

Sam White, Angela Beetge, Genevieve Coxon, Nancye Courtney, Paula Johnson, Bev & Brian Robinson, Sephron and Albina Joram and the congregation in Kapini, PNG, Wendy Laing, Frances Cartwright, Israel & Elanoa with their outreach work. Our church family, the saints throughout the world, the people of Ukraine and all who are in crisis.

January Preaching Roster				
DATE	PREACHER	LEADER/SINGING	LORD'S SUPPER	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sam White	Israel Rogonasau	Israel and Immanuel	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Dennis Rayner	Dennis/ Israel	Geoff Hatch	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Israel Rogonasau	Dennis Rayner	Immanuel	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Richard Lee	Dennis Rayner	Israel and Immanuel	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Dennis Rayner	Israel Rogonasau	Immanuel Rogon	

## Ladies Roster January & February

Month	Lord's Supper &	Morning Tea
January	Angela Beetge	Kathy Reynolds
February	Wendy Laing	Jeanette Hatch

## <u>NEWS</u>

We warmly welcomed Sam White to the pulpit last Sunday, a task he took on with courage and faith so soon after losing his beloved wife, Louise. We also welcomed back Louise's mother, Angela, who is a much loved church family member.

A memorial service for Louise will be held on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, 11am, at St Peter's Anglican Church, Seven Hills, the church at which Sam and Louise had a commitment service just four years ago. To support Sam, Angela and Frances, as many as possible are encouraged to attend this service.

Dennis suffered a fall in his yard two weeks ago and suffered quite a bit of bruising. His welcome return last Sunday after a week's recovery found him in good voice.