



St Luke's Family Service next Sunday (5 March) will focus on, and celebrate, **Children's Day.**

We'll have all kinds of fun activities in the church grounds for younger children until around 12.30pm. Then, from 2pm the annual youth event 'The Games' will be held in Featherston for older children and youth. It's being organised by Wairarapa Anglican Youth (WAY). This is the first opportunity this year to have a great time together and experience our young people in action! The venue is Randolph Park Football Reserve, Underhill Road, Featherston.



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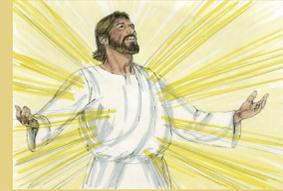
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# *Welcome Kia Ora*

## **St. Luke's Church Greytown**



**Sunday 26 February 2017  
9.30am Service  
Transfiguration Sunday**

*Our commitment is to love, accept and forgive in Christ*

### **Sentence of the Day**

Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you,' says the Lord.  
*Isaiah 49:15*

### **Collect of the Day**

Abba God, we call you Father, and your care for us is motherly as well. Protect our power to love and be loved, and make us glad to be called your children one whanau in Christ. Praise to you our God; you answer prayer. Amen.

### **Readings**

Psalm 99  
Exodus 24: 12-16  
Peter 1: 16-21  
Matthew 17: 1-9



*Remember* morning tea is offered in the hall after today's service. Please join us .

## Food for Thought

### Moving on

Today we celebrate the transfiguration of Christ.

As is often the case, the church calendar meets us in a very relevant way for the season of the journey we, as God's people, find ourselves in. Why? Because the dynamic symbolism of the transfiguration speaks about the challenge of change and our desire to stay in the comfort of where we are, versus where God wants us to go. It also issues an invitation to move from the glory of the mountain top, down to the valley, where we meet the realities of our everyday lives, and the challenges of remaining true to our commitment to God's mission for our lives.

At the end of last year the Anglican parishes of the southern Wairarapa gathered to try and discern how we can more effectively join together to ensure the fruitfulness of **ALL**, in the face of the struggle for some of our parishes to not only be fruitful, but actually remain viable. Of course, this meant we had to have the courage to confront the individualistic nature of our local parish identities and be willing to combine our prayers, resources, and our leaders, to become a more unified force for God in this area.

This process has revealed a need for us to re-imagine, rearrange, and reinforce our ministry leadership.

The re-structuring team met on retreat at Waironogmai in South Featherston this past week and there was an intense feeling of wanting to achieve things collaboratively. We all came away with a strong sense of unity. The leadership of Archdeacon May Croft and support of Bishop Justin only adds to this.

May God richly bless us all as we move into this new season of Christ's mission in Southern Wairarapa.

Shalom, *Andy*

The **Transfiguration** of Jesus is an event reported in the New Testament when Jesus is transfigured and becomes radiant in glory upon a mountain. The Transfiguration is one of the miracles of Jesus in the Gospels. This miracle is unique among others that appear in the Canonical gospels in that the miracle happens to Jesus himself.

### NOTICE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**St Luke's Greytown  
Sunday 12 March 2017  
in the**

**St Luke's Church Hall  
Following 9.30am morning service.  
All reports are required at the Church office  
no later than Friday 3 March 2017  
to ensure circulation.**

**All enquiries to: Ryan Monastra 027 261 8487**

#### **Vestry Nominations :**

Nomination sheets are available in the church foyer. Each nominee will need a nominator and will need to sign their agreement to be nominated. The term for vestry is one year. Meetings are held monthly.

#### **Nominations are for :**

People's Warden; Vestry members (10); Synod Reps (2); Mission Motivator (1); Cathedral Link (1); Greytown Inter-Church Council (2).

NB: The Vicar's Warden is appointed by the Vicar. Secretary, Treasurer, and Parish Nominators (4) are all selected by the newly elected Vestry.

All are very welcome to the AGM.

**If you wish to vote, please make sure you are  
on the parish roll. Copies are in the foyer  
for checking.**

#### **Ash Wednesday 1 March 2017**

**There will be a Service at St Luke's 10am (Rev Heather Keith)  
and 7pm (Rev Andy Eldred) for imposition of ashes.**