

# St Matthew's Anglican Church, Morrinsville

*Val writes... This week, Thursday at 2.30pm we became grandparents!!! A new big chapter begins!!*

*After our service last Sunday some people asked me for a copy of this version of the Lord's Prayer – there are some lovely phrases to reflect upon.*

*Also Bishop Philip encouraged us to listen to the King of Jordan and I have included the you tube address an encourage you to listen to him – he has a deep and relevant wisdom for us all*

*King Abdullah bin Hussein's speech at the EU Parliament, June 17th 2025 found in <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F6eK9NX8cLE>*

*Apologies in last week's newsletter – I left a 1 out of income – it is \$11,000 not \$1000!!!*

## Celtic Version of the Lord's Prayer

Holy One beyond all names  
Eternal Wellspring  
May love rise again in us today  
With food for every table  
Shelter for every family  
And reverence for every life.  
Forgive us our failings in love  
And free us from all falseness  
That the light of our souls may shine  
And the strength of our spirits endure  
For Earth and all its people  
This day, tonight, and forever.

Amen

-John Philip Newell



## 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025

Readings: Hosea 11:1-11

Psalm 107:1-9, 43

Luke 12:13-21

Sentence: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

*Psalm 107:8-9*

Collect: God of all the earth, you have given us the heritage of this good and fertile land; grant that we may so respect and use it that others may thank us for what we leave to them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PREPARATION FOR SUNDAY.

Hosea 11:1-11

Question: Where do we see God's love at work in the world today, and where do we see God's judgement?

Prayer: In the busy-ness of our lives, may we be reminded often of your call and the love which accompanies it, loving God.

Psalm 107:1-9,43

Question: With what good things has the Lord satisfied you?

Prayer: Give us wisdom, Lord, as we reflect on the public events of our day and seek to bring to them the light of God's saving action in Jesus.

Luke 12:13-21

Question: What practical steps might our Christian community take to address national and global poverty instead of storing up riches for ourselves?

Prayer: Generous God, help us to share your good gifts today with all whom we encounter.

## SPECIFIC PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

### PRAY FOR...

- access to food, water, and medical care to be restored urgently in Gaza, for civilians seeking aid, especially children, parents, and those unable to walk long distances. We pray for decision-makers to uphold humanitarian law and confront systems that violate it.

- flood prone areas to be protected from more flooding and a chance to get current work completed.
- those who aren't well, especially Peter, Andrew, Carole, Neville and Colin and Sandy's grandson Ares (born premature and fighting for his life) and those known specifically to us.
- all families mourning the death of a loved one.

#### **GIVE THANKS FOR...**

- Spring joys of new life and growth in plants
- The fellowship that happens at the Devonshire teas and the weekly Friday cuppas (so join us at the hub on Fridays mid morning)
- The Cursillo Day of Deeper Understanding held at Te Awamutu yesterday
- Beverley, Diane, Janice and Barbara for the work they do for the parish administration.
- Howard, Melanie, and family

**10<sup>th</sup> August 2025 10am and 8.30am**

**Readings: Isaiah 1:1,10-20**

**Psalms 50:1-8,22-23**

**Luke 12:32-40**

<b>10<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>Sides person</b> Anne M	<b>Welcomer</b> Trish & Rosemary	<b>Data</b> Shantal	<b>MOW</b> Margie	<b>Bible Reader</b> Sienna & McKenzie	<b>Prayers</b> Margie	<b>Chalice</b> Sandra	<b>Morning Tea</b> Melanie & Olwyn
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#### **Coming Up...**

**August 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> Ministry Kura for clergy.**

**August 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday 2.30pm "Come and play the organ" at All Saints Church Matamata.**

#### **Local News...**

**Andrew Morley is having a little stay in Matariki (Te Awamutu),**

**Carole Greenville is back home at Tasman village and enjoys visits.**

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