

This Week's Activities

St Peter's Church

Tue 10:00am Pop In
Wed 10:00am Study and Communion
Thurs 10:00am Pete's Place
Fri 10:00am Craft Group,

Longview Home
 Thurs 11.20am Communion Service

St Christopher's Church

Mon 1:30pm Prayer & Share (foyer)
Wed 10:00am Pop In
Thurs 10:00am Pop In
Fri 7:00am Prayer for Community transformation
Fri 5:00pm Illumin8—(Emmaus Centre)
Fri 7:30pm Radi8—(St C Annex)
Sat 8:00am Prayer, (Emmaus Centre)
Sun 7:30am Listening to God, (Church)

Small groups meet for study and fellowship most evenings.
 Contact office for more details, or see noticeboard in Annex or check in "Welcome Book".

Financial Matter\$

Income for 1-14 May: \$48,700
 Monthly expenses budget \$32,211

Year to date: 1/1-14/5

Income: \$144,022
Expense: \$176,206

Budget

\$122,888
 \$145,087

St. C Cleaning

19 May Spurdle family



For those who generously give via automatic payment or internet banking, electronic giving acknowledgement cards are available in the foyers. These may be placed in the offertory plate as a symbol of your giving.



Lawn mowing

14 May—27 May
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Encouragement Cards available in Foyers. If you would like to encourage someone, please write your words of encouragement, then either give to person, or place in offertory plate if you would like to remain anonymous.

Parish Office and Ezee Meals

Office open: Tuesday—Friday
 9:30am—12:30pm

1 Lyndhurst Road, P O Box 51 023, Tawa
 Phone: 232 8448

Website: www.tac.org.nz

Facebook : Tawa-Linden Anglican Church

Name Tags are available at the back of the church/foyer. If you do not see your name and would like a tag, please contact office and one will be made for you.

If you require confidential prayer support, please phone
 Shirley 232 4300 or
 Philippa Reaney 232 3262



If you require pastoral support please contact June Gennard on 021 1739500



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One of my favourite quotes is by Annie Dillard from her book "An American Childhood". I'm not sure why, because if I'm honest I can ignore its truth with great ease, but perhaps that's why I like it so much – it draws me back to the truth I so easily ignore, but desperately want to experience.

"On the whole, I do not find Christians, outside the catacombs, sufficiently sensible of their conditions. Does any-one have the foggiest idea what sort of power we so blithely invoke? Or, as I suspect, does no one believe a word of it? The churches are children playing on the floor with their chemistry sets, mixing up a batch of TNT to kill a Sunday morning. It is madness to wear ladies' straw hats and velvet hats to church; we should all be wearing crash helmets. Ushers should issue life preservers and signal flares; they should lash us to our pews. For the sleeping god may wake some day and take offense, or the waking god may draw us out to where we can never return."

It's the strange thing about expectations, we like the thought, but the reality is quite different. What would happen if God turned up and ruined the ordinariness of our gathering. What if the Spirit drew us to a way of being that was offensive to our expectations. What if we were called to silence rather than noise, or noise rather than silence. It's the what ifs that are so bothering. It's easier to stay with the known. But that's what Pentecost is – knowing that the unknown is the place to which we are all called.

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8:30am service
 St Peter's Church, Linden

10am Family Communion
 St Christopher's Church, Tawa

Pentecost

Readings

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Acts 2:1-21; Romans 8:22-27,; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Sentence of the Day

'A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you,' says the Lord; 'I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.' Ezekiel 3:26; 37:14

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel; send us out in the power of the same Spirit to witness to your redeeming love and draw all people to you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

2018 Diary Dates

Big Nite Out: 4:45pm, 19 May, Emmaus Centre

Food Fair: (Mission Partners fundraiser) Friday 25 May.

AAW Meeting: 10am—noon, Sat 2 June, at St P

ticTACtoe (board games): 6:30pm Sat 9 June Emmaus Centre

Over 60's Morning Tea: 10am Mon 11 June Emmaus Centre

Men's Convention: 7pm Wed 13 June, Roundabout Pub

Tawa Churches Combined Service: 10am Sun 24 June, Tawa College

Porirua Cluster Church service: 30 September (venue TBC)



Please Pray for:

- For the Last, the Lost, and the Least.
- Strength and healing for all those struggling with ill health, and recovering from surgery.
- For the dying and those who they leave behind, especially remembering the Gennard family after the passing of Dave's Mother last week.
- For safety on our roads, mountains, beaches and waters.
- For our mission partners.
- Our community outreach groups—Pop In, Pete's Place, Over 60s, Youth groups etc.; that they will be well-resourced and fruitful.
- For our Clergy, our Vestry, Our Wardens and our Bishops.
- The food Fair this coming Friday—for safety, willing hearts and hands and opportunities of outreach and relationship building.

Movement online Anglican Diocese of Wellington weekly newsletter

<http://movementonline.org.nz/> for information on what is happening around the diocese



2018 books now available. \$65 (\$13 comes to church).
Contact Heather Quin (232 6447) if you are interested.

This Week and Beyond



Food Fair - an opportunity to bless our community 5:30pm to 7pm this Friday 25 May

This Food fair we would like to invite people from our outreach ministries and make free meal tickets available to enable those for whom cost would be a barrier to participate.

As it is a fundraiser for Missions we would be grateful to any members of our congregation who would be willing to pay for these tickets that we can then distribute. You might also like to consider buying some tickets to distribute yourself to work colleagues or neighbours. The cost is \$6 per meal ticket and \$3 per dessert ticket. Tickets will be available for sale this Sunday 19 May. Bring cash or deposit into the Tawa Anglican Church account: Ref Food fair and your last name: 02-0552-0067748-02.

Opportunities to provide food still available, please let Hanny know

Please invite your friends and neighbours. Flyers for letterbox drops will be available from office on Tuesday



A great BIG thank you to everyone who helped last Saturday during the big clear out at St Christopher's. Several very full trailers of "stuff" left the property and was disposed of thoughtfully. A special thank you to the providers of the morning tea—it was delicious and very well received. Keeping the spaces clear of stuff is the next challenge.



AAW meeting
10am Sat 2 June
St Peter's
Reminiscing over photos.

Pete's Place

Come in, have a cuppa and some good company
Thursdays 10am-2pm
at St Peter's Church.



Intermediate Years Parenting Toolbox Course

Venue: Emmaus Centre, St Christopher's Anglican Church, Tawa

Dates: Tuesday evenings: 29 May - 3 July

Time: 7.30 - 9.30p.m.

In six sessions the Intermediate years Toolbox will support you to develop a strong and loving bond with your child, and to stay connected as they head towards the teen years. Toolbox covers a range of topics, including the importance of love and connection, different parenting styles, understanding your child and their big feelings, discipline, boundaries, play and lots more.

Cost: \$75 per person or \$110 per couple. Please note that subsidies are available. Speak to Hayley if you need to access this.

To book or for more information contact Hayley Balmer on 232 9433 or email hayley.balmer@xtra.co.nz