#### **FEBRUARY 2024**

# WEEKLY NEWS



# The Nature of Grace

- Preacher: Glen Ashworth
- Readings: Galatians 3:1-9 Matthew 13:44-46 Matthew 28:16-20
- Sentence: "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Matthew 13:44

*Collect:* Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness; give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit; and as you know our weakness so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.



#### Our mission is to:

- DRAW people to faith in Christ
- GROW people in their commitment to Christ
- REACH OUT beyond ourselves with the love of Christ

# Events

#### **ONE-OFF EVENTS**

**Alpha** Launch 17th Feb 7pm Salvation Army

#### **REGULAR EVENTS**

**Tunes for Tots** Fridays 9:30am during term Nativity Hall

**Prayer Meeting** 11th March 7pm - Hall

#### **Care and Share** 26th Feb 9:30am St Barnabas Chapel

**Link - Games afternoon** 1pm Fridays - Lounge

#### AAW Meeting 6th March 1:30pm St Barnabas Chapel

# **Coffee Connections**

9th March 9:30am Raupo Cafe

#### Repair Cafe

24th Feb 9am - 12pm Johns' Kitchen

**Choir Practice** Wednesdays 7pm - Church

## AGM

AGM 10th March 9am Comined service 11am AGM 12.30pm Parish picnic

## Repair Cafe



The Repair Cafe is on next Saturday 24th February from 9am - 12pm at John's **Kitchen.** The Repair Cafe was opened 2 years ago and the Mayor and a reporter will be there to do a follow up article. Please come and support the team or bring something along that needs fixing. The team is also looking for some more volunteers to help with the steerage. If you want to help out please get in touch with Stephen Leitch or the office.

### **Upcoming Courses**

#### Alpha

The course starts 28th Feb Wednesday Evenings at the Salvation Army Rooms. All welcome with no charge. To find out more please contact the office or see <u>www.alpha.org.nz</u> This course is a chance to explore life, faith & meaning for anyone to discover more about the Christian faith in a relaxed setting.

## Lenten Series



This year during Lent (the period leading up to Easter, beginning with Ash Wednesday, 14th Feb) we will be looking at the topic of Discipleship - with the help of theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer, looking at what it means to follow Jesus. This is a key area of our vision but more importantly, is the basis of our growth individually and as a church. Material is provided for existing care cells - if you are not currently in a Carecell and would like to be or you would like to do this series with others, get in touch with Glen or the office.

