

# THE CEDAR CENTRE

Birkdale Beach Haven Anglican Church

GROWING IN FAITH GIVING IN SERVICE GOING IN LOVE



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BIRKDALE & BEACHHAVEN ANGLICAN CHURCH

Welcome to worship at The Cedar Centre  
We pray that you will be refreshed in the  
presence of God.

## Newsletter for 1st December 2019

### READINGS

Romans 13:11-14 (P776) and Matthew 24:36-44 (P676)

### SENTENCE:

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of Jacob; that he may teach us in his ways and that we may walk in his paths. *Isaiah 2:3a*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast off the works of darkness  
and put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
so that when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit  
one God now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

Our Hope in Christ

*The Cedar Centre exists for the transformation of individuals and communities through Christ centred worship, prayer, compassion and service*

## PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

### From Craig's desk.....

According to one website the top 10 New Year's Resolutions are:

- (1) Exercise more (2) Lose weight (3) Get organized
- (4) Learn a new skill or hobby (5) Live life to the fullest
- (6) Save more money / spend less money (7) Quit smoking
- (8) Spend more time with family & friends (9) Travel more (10) Read more

You don't have to wait till New Year's Eve to think about the changes you want to make for 2020. This Sunday is Advent Sunday which marks the beginning of a new year in the Church calendar. I encourage you to use the season of Advent – the days between 1 December and Christmas Day – as a time of prayer and reflection considering what commitments you might make to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ over the next year.

Here are some suggestions for you to think about

- (1) Read at least one Christian book a month
- (2) Set aside an extra 10 minutes every day for prayer and reflection
- (3) Sign up for a paper at Bible College
- (4) Download a Bible app to help you read your Bible every day
- (5) Join a home group (or start one)
- (6) Volunteer in a community role to be a deliberate Christian presence in the community
- (7) Ask someone to meet with you regularly for prayer
- (8) Meet with a spiritual director
- (9) Keep a prayer diary
- (10) Volunteer in a new role at church

These are just suggestions and there are lots of other things God might prompt you to do. What I do know is that if you want to see growth in your faith and for your life to be fruitful you sometimes have to give some things up and take up some new things. Change doesn't happen unless we make it happen.

*Grace and Peace Craig*

## PROGRAMMES TODAY

**Cedar Kids** - with Paea in Chelsea rooms - please remember your donations for Evan (Tear Fund Child), today the kids will have a photo taken and write messages to Evan.

**Cedar Youth** - will join in with the service today

**Parents with pre-schoolers** Chelsea Room 1 will be open. There is no programme however you are welcome to make yourself at home. There are plenty of toys

## OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for those recovering from surgery and those long term hospital patients. Pray that God will comfort and heal them.

## This week

**Ad Hoc choir** practices for Christmas Pageant today 4pm more singers required. All levels of ability accepted

**Working Bee next Saturday** (7th December) 9am - 12pm all hands on deck..

Morning tea provided.

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**Christmas Services - 24th Dec** Midnight at 7pm.

**25th Dec** 10am Family Communion only

29th Dec, 5th Jan and 12th Jan - 9.30 Family Communion only

**19th Jan** back to normal services 8am & 10am

# REGULAR PROGRAMMES AND THE TEAM

## SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

8AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

10AM CONTEMPORARY FAMILY SERVICE

- Cedar Kids for children 5 to 10 years
- Cedar Kids Preschool for children 2 to 4 years
- Elevate for Youth 11+ years

## MAINLY MUSIC (For Babies, Toddlers and Parents)

TUESDAY 9.15AM (During School Term)

Cost \$4.00 per session (Held in Chelsea Rooms)

## SPACE (Supporting Parents Alongside Children's Education)

Contact Janice Dowle (09) 419 1231 for next intake

## OP SHOP—NEW BEGINNINGS

16 SUNNYHAVEN AVE, BEACH HAVEN SHOPPING CENTRE

Mon-Thur 10-4.30 (Fri 10-6.30) Sat. 10.30-1.30

Serving the community by offering good quality pre-loved clothing and goods at affordable prices.

## SELWYN SENIORS (Fun and Fellowship)

THURSDAY 9.30AM - NOON (Held in Foyer)

## THE HAVEN (YOUTH - Intermediate & High School

Our Youth Programme is held weekly on Saturdays. To find out what's going on, check out our website or The Haven Facebook page.  
Email: Youth@cedarcentre.org.nz

Cedar Centre bank account details  
for

donations

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**EFTPOS** available on  
Sunday mornings.



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## LEADERSHIP TEAM

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