

Adare Uniting Church — Update 3, January 23, 2026



Promenading on Granite Island

Pip Burfield

PREACHING PLAN

Sun Jan 25 – Rev'd C Lau *

Sun Feb 1 – Rev'd J McWhinney HC

Sun Feb 8 – Rev'd J McWhinney *

Sun Feb 15 – Rev'd J McWhinney *

Sun Feb 22 – Rev'd J McWhinney *

* Morning tea after the service

PEOPLE

Sheila and Bob Arnold wrote:

Thank you to everyone for the beautiful card with such kind thoughts. I was so very much appreciated.

Marcia and Peter Forth wrote:

To our Adare Church family

We appreciate your texts, phone calls, prayers and concerns. We hope we can be home soon.

(See photo on page 2.)

Rev'd Janice

is on leave until 31 January, but is available for emergency pastoral care via mobile phone: 0416 106 518.



LECTIONARY READINGS

Sunday January 25

Isaiah 9:1–4

Psalms 27:1, 4–9

1 Corinthians 1:10–18

Matthew 4:12–23



The book of psalms was not written by perfect people in perfect circumstances. It's filled with *real* words, cried out by real people, sometimes in *real* times of hardship.

"The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"
—Psalm 27:1



BIRTHDAYS

Ruth Williamson	25/01
Leon Duke	26/01
Ken Mablesen	29/01
Wayne Abbott	02/02
Barry Fowler	03/02
Helen Williams	04/02

When your birthday is listed, please check your pigeon-hole and receive your birthday surprise!

Working Group Meeting 70th Anniversary Working Group

The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 3 February at 10 am** in the small meeting room .

CHURCH CONSULTATION

Allan Barnes, Beryl Price and Rev'd Beth Seaman will conduct a consultation with our church members, on Tuesday 10th Feb and Wed 11th Feb if required. They wish to talk with individuals in a non-threatening 1:1 situation – about 40 minutes each.

If you would like to share with the team, put your name and *preferred* time on the clipboard in the front Foyer of the church by the end of January. I will then roster you accordingly. You do not have to be in a leadership role to participate!

This is an opportunity to talk individually and confidentially about the things we enjoy or are doing well as a church and to input things that could be supported in the future. We can **celebrate** our successes but benefit from the discussions that can ultimately enrich our mission. The team will help us discover who we are and report back to our congregation.

Peter Manuel (Church Council)

World Day of Prayer is held each year on first Friday of March. This year is March 6th. The churches in our area take it in turns to host this event. No, not our turn this year, but there is a planning meeting on Friday 23rd January, 10am at St Augustine's Anglican Church, Burke Street. I will attend this meeting on behalf of Adare but would love it if someone else would attend with me, as there are usually 2 representatives from each church. It is not a big commitment. Please let me know if you are willing to attend.

Many thanks

Jaelene Slade (0401228321)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Roydon & Angela Ellison
26/01/2002

Ken & Faye Buckley
03/02/1962

Peter & Rae Cranwell
05/02/1966

I'VE REACHED THE AGE
WHEN MY TRAIN OF THOUGHT



OFTEN LEAVES THE STATION
WITHOUT ME

This photo of Santa dog was taken when Peter was in Tauranga hospital New Zealand on Christmas Eve. It really cheered us both up. Peter is still in hospital but not improving at a steady rate.



Today



Tomorrow

Don't lose hope

(You never know what tomorrow will bring.)



I DON'T KNOW WHO NEEDS TO HEAR THIS, BUT IF YOUR TODDLER WALKS PAST YOU LUGGING A STEP STOOL, NOTHING GOOD IS ABOUT HAPPEN.