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LINWOOD
AND ARANUI

PEW NEWS

Sunday 8th September 2024

Living out the love of Christ in our worship and service to all people.

Welcome

A warm welcome to everyone. We are glad you have joined us in this celebration of our life of faith in God. There is a special church area to help children feel at home here, and we hope you will join us for morning tea after the Service.

The Bible Readings for today - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9

James 2: 1-10

Mark 7: 24-37

INTRODUCTION

Today is a mixture of tremendous faith, even from without the 'church' and about doing good works for the people on behalf of our faith and Jesus. We read of this mother's faith who went to Jesus for help. Jesus challenged her on not being a follower, and therefore not able to receive healing for her daughter: she replied even the dogs, the pets can get the crumbs. So she is literally saying that even she, an outsider, is able to receive that healing. And Jesus concedes. The woman went home and her daughter was healed. Then there followed the blind man, brought by friends and Jesus took him aside and healed him privately.

In the James reading we are told that works - 'doing good' - for others is great, but not sufficient without faith undergirding it. So often we can get busy helping others, we lose track of our own feeding of our faith. Hence the need for ongoing discipleship within the church, within the parish. This is what keeps our faith healthy and non-judgmental. It keeps us open to all, like Jesus allowing this Gentile to have healing for her daughter. Like last week, Jesus was overriding the disciples and beckoning the children to come to him. In other words, **all** are welcome. All are able to receive blessing, faith and the Holy Spirit. We the believers need to keep our faith strong and open. **All** are welcome.

Call to Worship

Leader: Here in this place, we gather to worship God.

All: To God be all praise!

Leader: For here, our time together is linked to eternity;
our worship renews the holiness within us and around us.

All: To God be all praise!

Leader: Let us praise the giver of all good things.

All: To God be all praise! Amen

Sentence

So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.
James 2:12

Collect

**God the strength of all who believe in you,
increase our faith and trust
in your Son Jesus Christ,
that in him we may live victoriously,
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Notices

Men's Breakfast, Saturday 14th September. We meet at St Chad's at 8.30am, to join together over a lite breakfast. Our speaker this month is one of our own, James Insull. James has a fascinating hobby of photography, capturing the differences of identical sites sometimes many decades apart. On this occasion he will remind us through his lenses of many Christchurch sites before & then after 2010/11 Christchurch Earthquakes. Please remember that we ask for a small Koha of \$3 to assist with the expenses.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop

Day	Activity	Time
<i>At St Chad's site</i>		
Wednesday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	10am
Friday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Te Reo Service	11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$5.00	12 noon
Sunday	Eucharist	10am
<i>At St Ambrose's site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9.45am
	Food Bank and Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	1-3 pm
	Parish Prayer Group	Ceased until further notice
Thursday	Elder Care Group	10am—12.30pm
Friday	Morning Prayer	9.45 am
	Food Bank , Café and Firewood	10am—12 Noon
Saturday	Messy Church	1st Saturday of the month
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site</i>		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

Next Week's Bible Readings — 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 1: 20-23

James 3: 1-12

Mark 8: 27-38