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#### LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Interim Pastor: Chris Lee: 027 228 8928

Ngaire Webster: 027 310 2268

Other roles:

Privacy Officer: Lana McMillan

Chairman/Treasurer Bruce McDonald: 027 320 0290

Shirley Muirhead 027 453 4063

Child Protection Officer: Libby Wilson

## NEWSLETTER 4 May 2025

ROSTER:	4 <sup>th</sup> May	11th May	18th May
SERVICE	Beryl	Chris	Bruce
COMMUNION	Lynley		Jerry
KITCHEN LEADER	Laurel	Shirley	Gloria
KITCHEN HELPER	T-Z	A/B	C
GREETERS	Debbie	Laurel	Barry
VAN	Dennis	Musa	Don
WORSHIP LEADER	Libby	Eliya	Libby
SOUND DESK	Lina	Elie	Ngaire
MEDIA DESK	Mike	Ngaire	Byron
PREACHING	Chris	Chris	Chris

*If you are unable to do your roster duty, please contact someone else on that roster and swap with them*



*The van is available for pickups please contact Chris or the van driver by 8pm Saturday if you need a ride on the Sunday. If you normally get a ride and don't need one this week, please let us know.*

#### What's on this week at Eastside

Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	Chris' homegroup at church
	7.15pm	Leadership meeting
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Coffee & Muffin at church but without our barista
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	midday	Prayer meeting at Roy and Nancy's
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Eliya's prayer meeting at church
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Worship service
	11.45am	Special General Meeting of the church
	7pm	Young people led service

**Booking sheet: Please check** before you plan to use a space in the church building and let Chris or Karlene know to reserve a day and time for your activity.

If you have organised an event or practice, and it goes **past 8.30pm**, can you please ring the security company to let them know. The number is on the keypad. Otherwise, they ring Bruce to check if the building is being broken into.

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## Thought for the Week

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From Chris's sermon last Sunday:

Gratitude isn't dependent on our circumstances but on God's character. Even during difficult times, David chose to praise and thank God, showing us that thankfulness is an attitude of the heart.

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## Upcoming Events – Checkout the noticeboard for further details

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See the lounge TV and the noticeboard for upcoming events

**Special Church Meeting** 11 May after the service to vote on a recommendation from the Pastoral Search Team and Leadership Team to call the Interim Pastor Chris to become the permanent pastor.

**Combined evening service**

Sunday 4 May, 6.00pm at First Church Simply Worship: A night of worship and prayer

**Southern Marriage Retreat**

Friday 13 June, 7-9pm + Saturday 14 June, 9.30am-5.45pm at C3 Church, 117 Spey St,  
COST: \$185 per couple

**Baptist Mission Arotahi: Praying with our global whānau: Georgia**

The Evangelical Baptist Church of Georgia has 38 Churches with 810 Members. Please join us in thanking God for the people of Georgia who continue to minister even amidst economic challenges. Join us in praying for open doors to share the Gospel of peace, particularly among those in remote regions who are largely unreached.

❖ **URGENT Vacancies:**

Van drivers and Kids Church workers. Thanks to Jerry and Shana for offering to help with the kids. More helpers needed so we can have a roster.

**Why is Sunday School so important?** According to the Barna organisation in USA, nearly half (43 percent) of all people who accept Jesus Christ as their saviour do so before reaching the age of 13. Two out of three born again Christians (64 percent) accept Jesus Christ as their saviour before their 18th birthday. One out of eight born again people (13 percent) made their profession of faith while 18 to 21 years old.

If you would like **prayer**: Chris, Karlene and the leadership are available or send a message via our WhatsApp or write to us on the newsletter insert. We have a confidential group of pray-ers who can intercede for specific needs.

**Tithes and Offerings:** Bank account 060925 0116320-00 or place your offering in the container inside the door of the auditorium. Thankyou - every contribution helps us to achieve our mission goals.