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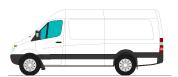
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# **NEWSLETTER 15th December 2024**

ROSTER:	15th Dec	22nd Dec	Christmas Day	29th Dec
SERVICE		Beryl	Chris	Beryl
COMMUNION		Laurel		
KITCHEN LEADER	Leica	Laurel	Sarah + Cecil	?
KITCHEN HELPER	Community	S-U		V/W
GREETERS	Fun Day	Flo	?	George
VAN	George	Dennis	George	Musa
WORSHIP LEADER		Libby	Lisa M	Eliya
SOUND DESK		Cecil	Cecil	Cecil
MEDIA DESK		Ngaire	Ngaire	Ngaire
PREACHING		Chris	Chris	Chris

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

Thank you for all the offers of help: We only need a greeter for Christmas day and a Kitchen Leader for 29<sup>th</sup> now. Great work. Please see Chris or Karlene if you are free to help.



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			
Monday	6am	Prayer meeting at church (fortnightly) starts again in January	
	1pm	Gardening Growers @ Chris and Karlene's	
	6pm	Chris' homegroup @ church (weekly)	
Tuesday	7pm	Bruce's Bible Study starts again in January (fortnightly)	
Wed	6.30am	Men's Coffee @ South City McD's in January – (fortnightly)	
	6pm	Lynley & Terry's Home group@139 George St in January	
Thursday	Midday	Prayer meeting – at Roy and Nancy's @ 61 Sydney St	
Friday	6pm	Young Adults Group @ the church back again in January (phone if you need a lift)	
Saturday	10am	Eliya's Prayer time at church (weekly)	
Sunday	10am	Pre-service prayer meeting – open to everyone	

## Thought for the Week

## From the Sermon: The Second Sunday of Advent (meaning to come) is "Peace"

As Matthew Henry so eloquently put it: "Jesus is the prince of peace. As a King, he preserves the peace, commands peace, nay, he creates peace, in his kingdom. He is our peace, and it is his peace that both keeps the hearts of his people and rules in them. He is not only a peaceable prince, and his reign peaceable, but he is the author and giver of all good, all that peace which is the present and future bliss of his subjects".

## **Upcoming Events**



Our **Christmas Community event** will be held **today 15**<sup>th</sup> December from 11am to 2pm to thank the community with lots of fun free activities (no worship service).

**Remembrance Service:** 17<sup>th</sup> December 7pm at Civic Theatre. All welcome to remember loved ones who have passed away.

Christmas Day Service: Central Baptist Church will join with us to celebrate the birth of our saviour. Meeting at 10am at Eastside Baptist for an hour.

Christmas Day Shared Tea: Is there anyone in our church family who don't have family or special friends to share a Christmas meal with? We are wondering about having a shared tea at the church at 5pm. Transport could be made available. Bring along your favourite Christmas dishes and enjoy singing and being together. Please see Chris or Karlene if you are interested.

### **New Years Eve Celebration**

Come along to worship and thank God for the year, for bringing travellers from around the world to this place, for the ministries started, for relationships forged, for faithful support, and for the many words and healings. Starts at 8pm. Bring a plate of snack food.



#### **Baptist Mission Arotahi: Prayer**

E te Atua. We give you thanks for the work of Love Calcutta Arts. We pray for your wisdom as it grows and looks to the future. Through the business and community work, may we see your justice flow. So that more may know of your goodness and hope. In your name. Amen

**Please continue to pray for the Pastoral search team and Leadership** who are praying and seeking God for whom He has chosen to Pastor His Church at Eastside.

- If anyone needs prayer: Chris, Karlene and leadership are available, or via our WhatsApp or newsletter insert.
- **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.