



Cromwell & Districts Presbyterian Church

Sunday 13th September 2026

Speaker: Reece Frith

Title: "Prayer and Praying"

Readings: Matthew 6:5-14; & Luke 11:1-13



**Remember all of our church services & notices are on our
website: www.cromchurch.co.nz**



DONATIONS

**Individually wrapped
lollies / chocolate bars
gratefully accepted**

**Have you seen our new
'Speed Restriction'
sign at the entrance to the
carpark?**

**Remember to Slow down
and watch out for
pedestrians.**



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Praying For Others

Mondays, 7pm at the church

Enquiries to Marie 445 1814

Know Your Bible Ladies Group

Enquiries to Lesley 445 3122

Tuesday Evening Home Group

Enquiries to June 0272 487 563

Abide and Grow Study Group

Fridays, 10.30am at the church

Enquiries to Anna 022 109 7475

Ignite The Truth Home Group

2nd Sunday of the month @ 7pm

Enquiries to Judy 027 226 3069

Ladies Bible Study

Wednesdays, 9.45am at the church

Enquiries to Edith 445 1340

Standing Pilates with Shirley & Joan

Monday's, 9.30am at the church

Mainly Music

Tuesday's, 10am during term time

Youth Group

Wednesday's, 6.30pm

Enquiries to Trish 027 442 4992

Friday Ladies Bible Study/Home Group

Friday's at 10.00am

Enquiries to Sandy 021 057 3772

Or Ann-Marie 021 0388 912

Youth Pastor

For many years as a church we have explored calling a youth pastor as part of our strategic plan. We have a great group of young people and a fantastic team that leads them. To encourage and grow this key ministry we are now at a point of seeking a youth pastor for a 25 hour per week position. This role is broadly two-fold: to help young people grow in their faith in Jesus Christ and to lead and support ministries that help Cromwell Presbyterian reach and disciple young people.

Please pray as a team oversees this process.

If you would like to know more and/or see the job description please talk to Reece.

Readings

Matthew 6:5-14

⁵ “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ⁷ And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹ “This, then, is how you should pray:

““Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
¹⁰ your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread.

¹² And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³ And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.’

¹⁴ For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

Luke 11:1-13

11 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

² He said to them, “When you pray, say:

““Father,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.

And lead us not into temptation.’”

⁵ Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’ ⁷ And suppose the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity^[e] he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

⁹ “So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

¹¹ “Which of you fathers, if your son asks for^[f] a fish, will give him a snake instead? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”



PRAYER SUPPORT

Did you know you can access prayer support in various ways in church? If and when you would like someone to pray with you or for you, you can

1. Approach any elders after church service
2. If you prefer, you can also write your prayers and put them in the Prayer box in the foyer (left as you go thru main entrance). Pen and paper available. Every Monday evening, the church Prayer Group will support and join you in your prayers. The prayers will not be read by any one, they will be presented to the Lord and then burnt or shredded.
3. Contact Pastoral Care coordinator, Sandra Hunter, who can arrange for someone to come and pray with you.

Big Change 4 Small People

August's collection went towards helping some of the children the Hansen family were working with in Hungary.

September's collection is going to help support the 40 hilltribe teenage girls living at Baan Faa Mai Home, Mae Chaem, North Thailand (which Malcolm and Sandy established in 2004). The girls live at BFM while attending the nearby government high school. While at BFM, they hear about Christ and receive the opportunity to follow and grow in Him.

Thank you for your gifts and prayers.

Notes

THANK YOU

to everyone who helped in any way to
make the Two Course Tuesday's a
wonderful success



Have You Considered Being Water Baptised?

Baptism is an important part of what it means to follow Jesus.

If you are interested please talk to Reece.

Help Urgently Needed

We are looking for more people to be Sound operators from the back desk on Sunday mornings. There is training available` for anyone who is keen to learn.

If you would like more information please contact
Peter Townend 027 678 6279 or Peter Lamb 0204 052 0029 .

Also, we are asking if there are any people in the congregation who are able to play musical instruments including drums etc and can help as part of the worship team.

If this is something that you are keen to help with then please contact
Ann Davis 021 757 414

CHURCH SERVANTS FOR 20th September 2026

Elder on Duty: Aisea M

Manager on Duty: Peter L

9AM SERVICE

Welcome: Kathy M

Welcome MT: Sandra H

Prayers: Sandra H

Readings: Dorothy M

Music: Gill S

10:30AM SERVICE

Welcome: Jenna E

Welcome MT: Raewyn U

Prayers: Marie S

Readings: Alexa W

Music: Murray R

Morning tea: Lesley M & Lynne A Church cleaning: Suzy & Peter W

If you're unable to serve, please arrange a swap and advise the church office.

Donations To Our Church

Did you know there are many ways you can give to **Cromwell Presbyterian Church**?

- * Cash or *Eftpos (available on request)
- * Direct credit or internet banking into **Cromwell Presbyterian Church**
- * Account number: **02 0920 0013787 00.**
- * Reference: Tithes for Offerings or **BC4SP** for Big Change 4 Small People

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Newsletter items by **9am Thursday**, please.