

# **Wellsford Co-operating Parish**

## **JULY 2019**

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**ALL SERVICES START AT 9.45AM**



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**253 Rodney Street, Wellsford 0900**

***If you know of someone who was absent from church today, or who is new to our community, would you kindly deliver a copy of this bulletin to them... To Show We Care... Thanks.***

# WHAT'S UP IN JULY?

**PASTORAL:** Please keep in your thoughts and prayers those who are sick and recovering at this time. If you know of any person who is ill or would particularly appreciate a visit, please contact a member of the Pastoral Care team.

**Women's Fellowship:** Women's Fellowship meets **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** at **10:00am** followed by the inter church Women's Fellowship at **10:30am** at the church.



**Shared Lunch:** The shared lunch on the **July 7<sup>th</sup>** will be at the home of the Duinkerke's. You are cordially invited.



**Service at the Heritage Rest Home:** This month's service will be held on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** at **1.30pm**. Heritage Rest Home, 1 Olympus Road, Wellsford.



**Parish Council:** The Parish Council will meet at the church centre on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** at **4pm**.



**AGM REPORTS** It's that time of year again! Would everyone who writes reports, please hand them in to the Parish Council by **July 19<sup>th</sup>**.

**Birthdays:** If your birthday is in July, a very happy birthday to you!



**Programmes for Shine Television** are in the foyer and on the notice board. Thanks to Pat Bennett who supplies the programmes.



**Loaves and Fishes:** We are still very busy at Loaves and Fishes. With four distributors of the parcels we would like a couple or more people to consider doing this. It is very simple. You will be phoned when a parcel is needed. The Parcel will be made up by you from the Food Bank and delivered to the CAB, at the Wellsford Community Centre. This takes about 30mins of your time. Please contact the CAB for our details. I would like to thank the ladies doing parcels at this time for keeping the Food Bank functioning at a high level of efficiency. Janny at the CAB thank you, we appreciate your input. Wellsford Four Square, Jesters and Wellsford Bakery are valued supporters of the Food Bank. Thank you. We prefer to get our food from Wellsford and support our Community. Thank you Tina's stationery for your contributions. Please support these businesses if possible. Thank you, from Irene.



### **PRAYER:**

Compassionate God,  
As you know each star you have created,  
So you know the secrets of every heart;  
In your loving mercy bring to your table  
All who are fearful and broken,  
All who are wounded and needy,  
That our hunger may be satisfied  
In the city of your peace;  
Through Christ who is our peace.  
Amen

***Prayer taken from***

<http://www.methodistprayer.org/morning/2019/5/19/monday-morning-may-20>

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## **FEATURED HYMN: HOW GREAT THOU ART**

*Words: Carl Gustav Boberg (1859-1940). Translation: Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989).*

*Music: Swedish folk tune*

O Lord my God!

When I in awesome wonder

Consider all the works

Thy hands have made.

I see the stars,

I hear the mighty thunder.

Thy power throughout the universe  
displayed.

### **Chorus:**

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God,  
to Thee;

How great Thou art, how great Thou  
art!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God,  
to Thee:

How great Thou art, how great Thou  
art!

### **Chorus**

When through the woods and  
forest glades I wander

And hear the birds sing sweetly  
in the trees;

When I look down from lofty  
mountain grandeur

And hear the brook and feel the  
gentle breeze:

### **Chorus**

And when I think that God, His  
Son not sparing

Sent Him to die, I scarce can  
take it in;

That on the cross, my burden  
gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away  
my sin.

### **Chorus**

When Christ shall come with  
shouts of acclamation

And take me home, what joy  
shall fill my heart!

And I shall bow in humble  
adoration,

And there proclaim, my God,  
how great Thou art!

On a summer afternoon in 1885 a young Swede Carl Gustav Boberg, was walking home with friends from church near Kronoback in south-east Sweden. "It was that time of year when everything seemed to be at its richest colouring," he said, "the birds were singing in trees and everywhere... a thunderstorm appeared on the horizon and soon thunder and lightening. We had to hurry to shelter. But the storm was soon over and the clear sky appeared."

When I came home I opened my window towards the sea. There evidently had been a funeral and the bells were playing the tune of "When eternity's clock calling my saved soul to its Sabbath rest". That evening I wrote the song. The verses were set to a Swedish folk tune, and the first public performance was in a Varmland church in 1888.

Boberg was born in Monsteras, near Kalmar, the son of a carpenter. He worked for the church as a lay minister and wrote many hymns and gospel songs. Boberg was also a politician and for nearly 20 years, between 1912 and 1931 a Swedish parliamentarian.

'How great Thou art' is an international favourite. It has been translated into German, Russian, Welsh, Chinese, Japanese, Polish, Romanian, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Esperanto. A Maori translation was sung for Queen Elizabeth during her 1981 visit, and it went on to spend 6 months in the NZ charts. The version of the hymn that became popular during the Billy Graham crusades was arranged by Tim Spencer, a musician who performed with the famous country music group Sons of the Pioneers.

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**BIBLE QUIZ:** Leviathan is described in Job 41. What comes from his mouth and nostrils?

### **Pastor's Blurb July 2019:**

It is a beautiful exercise to contemplate Jesus. Ephesians 3:8 refers to the 'unsearchable riches of Christ'. For someone who blundered around in the dark for so long, I prize the unsearchable riches of Christ. Let us look at just the tip of the iceberg of the riches. Let us look briefly at the contrasts that are in and around Jesus:

- (a) He is the Man of Sorrows, and yet He says, 'let my joy be in them, so that their joy will be complete'.
- (b) He was cut off from the land of the living, and who can speak of His descendants, but 'he will see the light of life' (Isaiah 53).
- (c) In the humble garb of a Galilean peasant, moving around with a band of fishermen, the friend of publicans and sinners, yet we believe Him by faith to be the Son of the Most High. We know Him to be tired and asleep, yet commanding the winds and the waves.
- (d) When he is dying as a condemned criminal, naked and ashamed, the thief still recognizes Him as Lord, and says, 'Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom'.
- (e) Today, His name is the most common swear word, and one of the most influential poems written speaks of the killing effect of the breath of 'the pale Galilean', yet by faith we know that He reigns above the heavens and the earth, and that God has given Him a name that is above every name.

Your brother,  
David

#### **BIBLE QUIZ Question answer:**

Leviathan is described in Job 41. What comes from his mouth and nostrils?

Fire, smoke and light. Job 41:18-21

## **A SHARING FROM JOAN**

**BUTLAND-** *Joan now lives in MetLife care Village Mt Roskill from where Joan is still an active, much loved and much appreciated member of our congregation.*

God has not promised skies always blue,  
flower strewn pathways all our lives  
through, God has not promised sun  
without rain

Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.  
God has not promised we shall not know

Toil and temptation, trouble and woe,

He has not told us we shall not bear

Many a burden, many a care.

But God HAS promised strength for the  
day, Rest for the labourer, light for the way,  
Grace for the trials, help from above,  
Unfailing sympathy, undying love.

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On Death... I regard death, as a Christian  
must: As the complete fulfilment of an  
earthly life, opening up the prospect of  
moving from a very inadequate, imperfect  
life and time, to a fulfilled life in eternity.

How could anyone fail to be enthused  
about that?

I've never had any fear of death. I've always assumed that the significance of  
being created and being part of this universe couldn't be exhausted merely by the  
experience of living. (by Malcolm Muggeridge)

The Lord God planted a garden  
In the first white days of the world,  
And he set there an angel warden  
In a garment of white unfurled.

So near to the peace of Heaven  
The hawk might rest with the wren,  
And there is the cool of the evening  
God walked with the first of men.

And I dreamt that these garden closes  
With their glades and their sun  
decked sod,  
And their lilies and bowers of roses,  
Were laid by the hands of God.

The kiss of the sun for pardon,  
The song of the birds for mirth.  
One is nearer to God in a garden  
Than anywhere else on earth.

(by D.E. Gurney)



## Service Schedule for July 2019

### The Preaching Plan:

- July 7<sup>th</sup>: Multimedia Service
- July 14<sup>th</sup>: Rev David Balchin (communion)
- July 21<sup>st</sup>: Rev David Balchin
- July 28<sup>th</sup>: Rev Verna Healy



### Wellsford Duty Schedule for June 2019- Duty Stewards

<u>July 7<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>July 14<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>July 21<sup>st</sup></u>	<u>July 28<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>August 4<sup>th</sup></u>
S and N Duinkeke	W & R MacGillivray	E & L Nolan	Ann Clegg / J Daken	S and N Duinkeke

#### Morning Tea

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