

Wellsford
Co-operating
Parish

November 2018

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ALL SERVICES START AT 9.45AM



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Church Centre,
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 NOVEMBER?

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 6th November** at **10:00am** followed by the inter church Women's Fellowship at **10:30am** at the church.



Shared Lunch: The shared lunch on the **4th November** will be at the home of Jocelyn Daken. You are cordially invited.



Service at the Heritage Rest Home:

This month's service will be held on **Tuesday 13th November at 1.30pm**. Heritage Rest Home, 1 Olympus Road, Wellsford.



Sweet Movie Spring Afternoons: To all those interested in enjoying a Sunday relaxing at Robyn and Willis MacGilivray's home, by watching a movie, this month's movie afternoon is scheduled for the **18th November**.



Movie afternoon will be taking a break over Christmas and summer. We will start again in Lent.

Parish Council: The Parish Council will meet at the church centre on **Tuesday 13th November at 4pm** – please **note the new meeting time of 4pm**.



Coming up this Month: Mark and Pauline are visiting on the 18th November! See you then!



Birthdays: If your birthday is in November, 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.



CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

There will be a Christmas Congregational Shared Service on the 16th December. Remember to tell us your favourite Christmas Carols. The deadline is 11th November so we can source the music and the words. Please give your choices to Ann Clegg. Bring along your favourite items to share - Bible verses, poetry, stories, events that have happened to you



Parish Meeting: This will be after the service on the **18th November**.

Loaves and Fishes: Your support of the Food Bank is appreciated.



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

Our Mission:

'Love God, Love Each Other and Extend that Love beyond our Church'

[Amazing Stories Behind Popular Hymns](http://www.tanbible.com/tol_sng/sng_isurrenderall.htm)

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I Surrender All

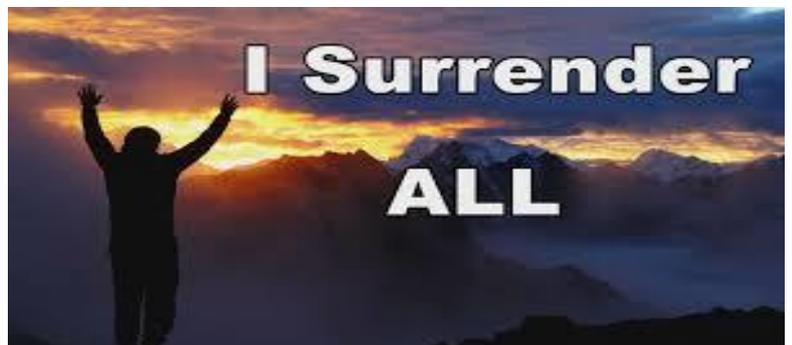
For five years, Mr. Van de Venter wavered between the challenge of the Gospel ministry and that of becoming a recognized artist. Here is how he tells it:

“For some time, I had struggled between developing my talents in the field of art and going into full-time evangelistic work. At last the pivotal hour of my life came, and I surrendered all.

“A new day was ushered into my life. I became an evangelist and discovered down deep in my soul a talent hitherto unknown to me. God had hidden a song in my heart and touching a tender chord. He caused me to sing.”

Dr Billy Graham wrote this tribute to Mr. Van de Venter:

One of the evangelists who influenced my early preaching was also a hymnist who wrote ‘*I Surrender All*’—the Rev. J.W. Van de Venter. He was a regular visitor at the Florida Bible Institute (now Trinity Bible College) in the late 1930s. We students loved this kind, deeply spiritual gentleman and often gathered in his winter home at Tampa, Florida, for an evening of fellowship and singing.



I Surrender All

*(1) All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.*

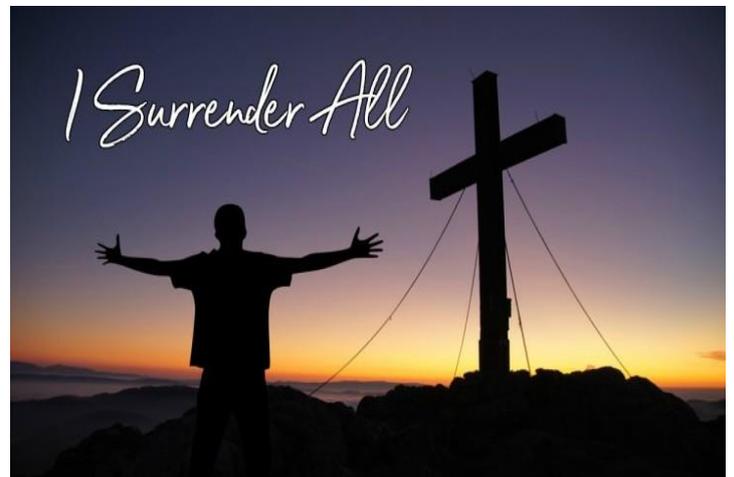
CHORUS:

*I surrender all,
I surrender all,
All to Thee, my blessed
Savior,
I surrender all.*

*(2) All to Jesus I surrender,
Humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all
forsaken;
Take me, Jesus, take me
now.*

*(3) All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine.
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that Thou art mine.*

*(4) All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.*



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BIBLE QUIZ Question answer: Fire, smoke and light. Job 41:18-21



A Parish Councilor's viewpoint:

Dear Friends

Season of Spring

The bleak months of winter are over. The season of spring is here, the trees that looked dead are now bursting into life, with new leaves, the fruit trees covered with blossom. The sounds of the next generation of birds and animals are all around us, what a great time of the year this is. A time to reflect, to praise and thank our God for His beautiful Creation.

I have chosen a passage from (Through the Psalms with Derek Prince), to illustrate some other reasons for our gratefulness to our God.

Gates of Praise

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the Lord is good and his love endures
forever.**

**His faithfulness continues through all
generations.**

Psalm 100: 4-5

How important it is for each of us to know the way into God's presence! How do we enter His gates? How do we come into His courts? The psalmist points out the way that God has ordained: We enter His gates with thanksgiving, His courts with praise. It is only as we come to God with thanksgiving and with praise that we have access into His presence.

The prophet Isaiah likens the presence of God among His people, to a city, concerning which he says: “You will call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise” (Isaiah 60: 18). The only way through those walls of Salvation is by the gates of praise, unless we learn to approach God with praise, we have no access into His presence.

Confronted with this requirement, we are sometimes tempted to look around us at our situation and ask: “But what do I have to thank God for? What do I have to praise Him for?” There may be nothing in our circumstances that appears to give us cause to thank or praise God. It is just here that the psalmist comes to our help. He gives us three reasons to thank and praise that are not affected by our circumstances: first, the Lord is good; second, His love endures forever; third, His faithfulness continues through all generations. All three are eternal, unchanging facts. If we truly believe them then we have no alternative but to praise God for them - continually!

In this blessed Land of Aotearoa New Zealand, we have so many things to be grateful, thankful and to praise our loving God for. With warm blessings from Willis.

A blessing from a great Christian. Do you know about William Temple? He was Archbishop of Canterbury and was one of the great supports to the British people during World War 2...

May the love of the Lord Jesus draw us to himself;
May the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen us in his service;
May the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our souls;
And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son
and the Holy Ghost, be with you and abide with you always.
(William Temple 1881-1944)

Service Schedule for November 2018

The Preaching Plan:

- November 4th:** Multimedia Service
November 11th: John and Rosemary Cavander
November 18th: Rev Verna Healy (Communion)
Parish Meeting
November 25th: Ann Clegg

Pastoral Care Team

*Lorna Nolan,
Nellika Duinkerke,
Willis & Robyn MacGillivray*

Minister's Steward:

Willis

Wellsford Duty Schedule for November 2018

Duty Stewards

<u>4th Nov.</u>	<u>11th Nov.</u>	<u>18th Nov.</u>	<u>25th Nov.</u>	
S and N Duinkeke	W & R MacGillivray	Ann Clegg / J Daken	E & L Nolan	

Morning Tea

<u>4th Nov.</u>	<u>11th Nov.</u>	<u>18th Nov.</u>	<u>25th Nov.</u>	
S and N Duinkeke	W & R MacGillivray	Ann Clegg / J Daken	E & L Nolan / K Lennon	

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