



**Next Sunday's Propers**

**Sunday July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*Ordinary Sunday 16 / Social Services Sunday  
Celebrant and Preacher – Rev. Ken Light*

**Sentence:** 'My sheep hear my voice,' says the Lord. 'I know them and they follow me; and I give them eternal life.'

*John 10:27,28*

**Collect:** God of creation, you are revealed in the morning song of Tui, Bellbird and Magpie, and in the golden evening waves reflecting the settling sun; you surround us daily, open our eyes to delight in your presence, and activate our hands into caring as you do for all you have made, that your kingdom may come and your will be done. This we ask through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

**Readings:** Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Psalm 23;  
Ephesians 2: 11-22; Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

**Liturgy:** 456

**Vicar on leave, 15-22 July**

Contact for pastoral matters – Joan Nolan 443 7778.

**Rest Home Services, 27 July**

Aspiring Enliven Care Centre, 10.15am; Elmslie House, 11am.

**Taizé, Contemplative Evening Prayer, 29 July, 5pm**

**St Columba's Local Committee, 8 August 7.30pm**

**Vestry, 12 August, 12 midday at the Tarras church**

**Winter Study**

Last term some of us gathered to discuss the dvd series *Violence Divine: Overcoming the Bible's Betrayal of its Non-Violent God*. This term, if there is interest, a 12 week study entitled *Jesus and the Kingdom of God* will be offered. Please talk to Fred McElrea 443 7880 to find out more.

**Spreading the News**

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**Jesus, come to our hearts like falling rain:**

come to refresh, come to renew,  
wash all our sins away.

Spirit, come to our hearts like rushing wind: come with your fire, come with your life,  
blow all our doubts away.

Father, come to our hearts like shining sun:  
come to reveal, lighten your Word,  
drive all our gloom away.

Glory be to the Lamb that once was slain:  
praise for his life, praise for his death,  
praise that he lives again.

Praises be to our God, the three in one:  
praise for the sun, praise for the wind,  
praise for the falling rain.

*William Worley*

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**Community House Update**

After years of discussion and planning, work on the Community House will soon begin. Major grants have been approved by Central Lakes Trust, Otago Community Trust, Lotteries Commission, Sargood Trust, and the Alexander McMillan Trust. Fundraising efforts are ongoing. Back in 2010 close to \$100,000 was pledged by St Columba's parishioners. If you are in a position to keep your pledge, or if you would like to make a contribution toward this project, please contact Rev. Damon Plimmer or Peter Hook.

The Trust is in discussions with the successful tenderer and a short service to bless the land will be held on Sunday 29 July, 11.30am. All welcome.

Finally, thanks to Skip Johnson for clearing the trees off the site.

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**Please pray for...**

- The family of John Mercer, who died last Sunday;
- Community House trustees and those involved with this project;
- New Zealand Bible Society;
- The young people rescued from a cave in Thailand;
- The good stewardship of our planet.

*After the service please join us for light refreshments.  
Activities for small children are available at the rear of the church.*