

Church Meetings coming up:

Church Prayer Meeting—Fridays 10.15-11am in the Sinclair Room

Next Whānau Fun is 4.30pm to 6.30pm Sunday 24th August

Ministry Settlement Board meets monthly (2nd Wednesday) 7pm in the Sinclair Room

Purls & Prayers meets Thursday 14th August at 1.15pm in the Sunshine Room

Session meets monthly (4th Wednesday) at 7.30pm in the Sinclair Room

Managers meet monthly (2nd Thursday) at 7pm in the Sinclair Room

1st Mosgiel Boys' Brigade meets on Tuesday nights at 6.30pm in the McKerrow Lounge during school terms. Contact Warwick Tomlinson 022 0600 020

The church bank account for donations and other payments is
BNZ Mosgiel 02-0938-0020934-00

Please note your name and the purpose for the payment in the appropriate fields

Prayer Chain: Contact: Annette Littlejohn 027 615 4013

marble.cat@xtra.co.nz

or a message can be left with Wendy Andrews 489 5684



ASSEMBLY POINTS if Church buildings are **evacuated** in an **emergency** are:

Mosgiel—Back of the carpark by the wooden fence

North Taieri—At the furthest away roadside gate

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MOSGIEL—NORTH TAIERI PRESBYTERIAN PARISH

Jesus is Lord!

Continuing Jesus' Mission
Changed Lives - Lived out

*We welcome you warmly to our services today, praying that all who
gather here will be blessed by God as we worship Him together.*

Sunday 3rd August 2025

Welcome to Worship at North Taieri @ 9.30am

PREACHER: Rev Alister Rae

SERVICE LEADER: Ruth-Ann Anderson

MUSICIAN: Philip Craigie

BIBLE READINGS: Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14 & 2: 18-23 and Luke 12: 13-21

Welcome to Worship at Mosgiel @ 10am

'Paul's prayer for spiritual enlightenment and deeper intimacy with God'

PREACHER: Gwynny Butler

SERVICE LEADER: Beverley Wallis

MUSICIAN: Kirsten Flett

BIBLE READER: Josephine Keith

BIBLE READINGS: Ephesians 1:15-23 (NIV)

Welcome to Worship at Mosgiel @ 2pm

PREACHER: Gwynny Butler

MUSICIAN: Edith Martin

HOSTS: Judith Jack and friend

SUMMARY OF PARISH REVIEW – Mosgiel North Taieri

Over the past three months, a Review Team appointed by the Southern Presbytery (Michelle Dean, Brendon McRae, Anne Thomson) has conducted a review of the Mosgiel North Taieri parish on behalf of the Southern Presbytery. The full report is available for anyone who would like to receive it – please contact the church office if you want a copy.

A summary of the Review findings:

Strengths:

- Growth in teams sharing in ministry – worship, outreach to children and families, pastoral care
- Commitment of a number of key people in various areas of church life
- Connections with families through Whānau Fun
- Commitment to maintaining buildings and making them available to the community
- Growing partnership with East Taieri through SHFT

Challenges:

- Demographics – the current age of the congregation indicates future decline in capacity
- Generational renewal – small green shoots, but time and energy required
- Leadership succession – Session and Managers will need new members in the future
- Finances – current financial situation will only provide for halftime ministry
- Worship services – the energy and personnel required to sustain three services most Sundays
- A lot of work being done by a small number of people

Opportunities

- Develop mission connection with Taieri College, with North Taieri community, with hall users
- Taieri Court chaplaincy and partnership with PSO
- Looking at Presbyterian presence, resources, capacity, future ministry across the Taieri with East Taieri and Maungatua

Threats

- Reducing energy, capability, finances, people
- Change not acceptable to congregation, steady decline
- Become a landlord of useful buildings rather than building relationships for the gospel

The **Ministry Settlement Board (MSB)** for Mosgiel North Taieri Presbyterian Parish is **making good progress** on a number of the important tasks required in preparation for a final report. Once completed, the report along with the recommended "Terms of Call" must be approved by Session and agreed to by the congregation. It is then sent to Southern Presbytery for approval. The MSB met on Wednesday 9th July. Discussion was held on a number of matters including Ministry Expectations, Terms of Call and the Congregational Review. The current Church Profile is currently undergoing an update and we look forward to a summary of the Congregational Review which is due for our next meeting in August. We are aiming for a draft report to be ready for approval by Session come early Spring. The MSB continues to meet monthly with the **next meeting** scheduled for **Wednesday 13th August at 7 pm.**

Rev Brendon McRae

Taieri Blokes Shed - Men's Health Expo

THIS Saturday 9th August, 9am - 1pm, Mosgiel Presbyterian Church

Just for you blokes (all ages) ... a great opportunity to connect with many health providers to find out about their services and programmes that can support your health.

Speakers at 11am: Hon. Mark Patterson & Graeme Gale BBQ & raffles (bring some cash). Morning tea provided. Pop along at any time that suits you!

Taieri Christian Care (Mosgiel Foodbank) would appreciate gifts of **cleaning products, toilet paper, soap** and **toiletries** please. They do not need any more jars. Thanks

Free Open Lecture to be given by **Rev Dr Sam Wells**, St Martin-on-the-Field, London on **"Before the Foundation of the World: Rediscovering the Purpose of God"** on **Thursday 21st August, 5.15-6.30pm** in **Burns 1 Lecture Theatre**, 95 Albany Street. The lecture will **also be livestreamed** here:

www.otago.ac.nz/streaming/channel1



SINGLES LUNCH, TODAY Sunday 3rd August 12pm
At The Black Sheep Restaurant