

Sundays—coming up

June 26th

- 10am Brian Cochran—We start a new series through the Book of James. James 1:1-19 Faith in Action — “Count it pure joy”
- Connect-ability after the service.

July 3rd

- 10am Brian Cochran—Faith in action - James 1:19-25
“Know the Word, Do the Word”

Financial Giving:

This is a regular habit of our worship that is needed for us to continue & to grow in God's work. For online or automatic giving:

For a giving number (for tax rebates) email: office@tcbc.org.nz

For general church offerings please use: 03 0435 0475881 27.

For Church building redevelopment please use: 03 0435 0475881 01.

Please include your giving number as a reference.

TCBC weekly budget: \$4927 Average giving: \$4816 (since 1st Sept).

Did you know that all of our weekly newsletters & messages are uploaded here:

www.tcbc.org.nz

+ we also communicate & engage as a community on various Facebook groups.

Just ask the office to find out more.



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Tauranga Central Baptist Church

Haere mai, welcome! June 26th 2022

A photograph of the Matariki star cluster (the Southern Cross) in a night sky, with the Milky Way visible. The stars are bright and white, set against a dark blue and purple background. The horizon is dark, suggesting a night landscape.

Matariki

Discovering what it means to know God,
the world, each other, and to love.

Pastor's Scribble

I hope you had an excellent Matariki day!

Matariki has no one meaning or timing. For different Iwi, the dates of the celebration are different – sometimes for a week, sometimes for a month. The customs and meanings associated with it also vary... except for the central thread that it is the new year.

When we consider what it means to be 'community' together, two thoughts coming from Te reo Māori being... "Matariki ahunga nui" (Matariki brings us together) & "Matariki whiria te tangata" (Matariki weave the people together).

Matariki also invites us to reflect on the past year, to celebrate the present, and to plan for the year ahead, as a New Year celebration., all-the-while carrying a sense of hope.

There's a Bible verse that reflects on this ... "When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?... Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"
Psalm 8:3-4/9.

Brian

BUILDING UPDATE The auditorium/foyer is just about ready to go. We are still waiting for the new front doors, the carpet nosing along the stairs and the new sound system install. The work in the kitchen and toilets is progressing at pace, with the floor for the new upstairs toilets being built. I fear the planned return to the auditorium is likely to be pushed back to the 10th July.

TOILETS are at each end of the hallway just off the main Hall. The accessibility toilet is unisex and there is a baby change station in the men's toilet. Yes, Mums can use this one too!



FOR THE KIDS There is a play mat and toys in the back corner for restless babies and toddlers and clipboards and activity boxes for older children there too. Please help yourself.

Some Sundays we will have a programme during the second part of the service for children aged 3.5 years and older in the lounge.

Keeping Connected ...

If you are interested to find out about our regular connect groups & other social gatherings, please contact the office or staff.

THIS WEEK:

LIVING ALONE LUNCH Tuesday 28th June Come and share lunch with others from our church family who live alone. This is a great way to meet others and catch up. Meet at 11.30am at the Tauranga Citizen's Club, Cameron Road (across the road from church).



LADIES COFFEE Friday 1st July 10am Columbus Café, Mitre 10 Mega. All ladies welcome for a time to catch up.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER Saturday 2nd July 8.30am in the Church lounge (entry off Cameron Road side). All welcome to come and pray for our church family.

DO YOU LIKE WINDOW PAINTING? The outside window frames on the Cameron Road side of the church office need repainting, if this is something you could do please let us know.

CAN WE HELP? If you need any help getting to appointments or doing simple jobs at home we have a team of people who may be able to help. Contact Shirley Crabbe 021 02496244 or the church office.

UNITED SEAFARERS' MISSION

The seafarers welfare board have interviewed three candidates for the managers position. Pray the person will have both skills and vision to take the Mission forward.

Some seafarers are managing to get shore leave, often the decision depends on the captain. Pray for compassionate decisions.

Pray for Jon, Kevin and Mark as they have day-to-day contact with the seafarers. Pray for understanding, wisdom and compassion as they deal with many nationalities and Customs.



HAPPY MATARIKI—a time to look at the promise of the new year ahead with all its blessings.

What's it about? Reflection—a time to be grateful.

Celebration of the present with food and connecting with people.

And a time to **plan for the future** and look ahead.