



Getting Connected

2018

Our vision is *God's people on God's mission for God's glory*. Another way we put this is UP (toward God), IN (in relationship with each other), and OUT (mission in our community and beyond).

...a family who daily support, encourage and celebrate with each other...

The Christian life is intended to be lived in genuine community. We are Kingi Whanau - a family, who daily support, encourage and celebrate with each other, through life's inevitable ups and downs.



On Sundays we gather all together but during the week we gather in smaller groups. Together we seek to live out the story of Jesus, blessing and serving the communities across Christchurch that we are a part of.

RUNNING partners

Our hope is that everyone in our church family would have at least one or two people in their life who know them well and can meet with them regularly to encourage their walk with God.

The purpose of 'running' together is to provide the encouragement, pacing, and motivation we all need to persevere and win the race. Chatting together about what God has been saying to each other and praying through issues - doing life together!

The primary goal is that you will encourage one another to grow in your relationship with God.



"It's great to be able to be honest about my life - what's happening and how I'm feeling. It's an informal, shared experience, and I always come away feeling encouraged and ready to carry on with life with renewed perseverance".

- Janet

The best way to find a good Running Partner is simply to ask someone who you feel comfortable with and try it out for a while - meet any time and place that is convenient

king's GROUPS

From the earliest days meeting in homes was part of the life of the church. Groups are a key place where we can make connections, find friendship, fun and support within the King's family. In these groups we can encounter God and seek His direction for our lives.

Bible Study Group – Jeremy & Ruth Baker, Nicola Clements

Huntsbury / Heathcote - Every other Tuesday, 7.30pm



Bible study is a focus this year with fun and community stuff as well. How the Bible enriches our personal walk and disciplines but also what this means for the life of our church and for outreach to the world around us. Jeremy will lead the group with help from Ruth and Nicola.

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"I go to group to build relationships and develop friendships. It's a safe place to share life's triumphs and tragedies, and to be reminded that we do not travel alone!"

-Judith

Prebbleton Group – Paul & Janet Williams

Wednesday, 7.30pm

A group of friends getting together for coffee, chats, laughs, sharing life together and prayer.



Halswell Group – Doug & Judy Williams

Thursday, 7pm

We are lovely, modest, good-looking and humble! Oh and we study the Bible!



Halswell Group – Colin & Jean Boyd, Kate Ogden

Tuesday, 7.30-9pm

After simple refreshments and a relaxed time together, we encourage participation in looking at everyday issues from a Biblical perspective, and support one another in prayer.



Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts—Acts 2:46

Papanui Group - Aidan & Lisa Watson

Wednesday, 7.30pm

Opening our home to anyone keen to get together for coffee, occasional cake and friendship. Keeping it casual so no formal program, we may chat about the week, watch a movie, take a walk, share a meal together, pray for each other....the possibilities are endless. We'd love you to join us!



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Men's Coffee - Dan Kennedy

C1 - Every other Tuesday, 7.30pm

An opportunity for fellowship / building relationships and an opportunity to invite friends from outside church.



Ladies Coffee – Sandra Kennedy

Coffee Culture, Bush Inn - Every other Thursday, 7.30pm

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The King's Youth (TKY) - Belle Williams, Becca Blows, Sam Watson, Rhys & Steff Le Tissier-Green

Halswell - Friday 7-9pm

A group of young people who support each other through the ups and downs of teenage life. Great friendships, interesting conversation, quality banter and evenings of side-splitting laughter! If you're high school age we'd love to see you!



Ladies Daytime Group – Carol Shelley & Karen Oudshoorn

Halswell - Tuesday, 1pm

Come and join us over coffee as we take time to share together, pray for one another, intercede for others and enjoy

friendship through the year.



"We were created to be in community. Being a part of a group better enables me to form relationships and build trust with my church family" - Danae

Craft Group – Beth Blackmore

Shirley - Monday 7-9pm (3 times a month)

Take the photos you love and journal the memories creatively.

Maybe you have boxes of photos that never got into albums but always intended to? I wouldn't call myself a scrap booker but I have some tools available to create some decorations. Join me once a week to work on your projects, photo

album or cards (ie. paper craft), bringing your skills to share as well. Light refreshments provided. Places are limited as we take up a bit of space!



"I love group as I can tap into the collective knowledge of everyone. Also love the fellowship, friendship and baking!"

- Lesley

Short COURSES

King's runs a few short-term courses which you can attend throughout the year. Some run regularly, and others are demand-based and will run when we have a few people wanting to participate. Get in touch if any of these sound interesting to you.

Alpha – Contact the office

The Alpha course is an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, friendly environment over ten, thought-provoking weekly sessions and an away day. Covers topics such as: Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die? How can I be sure of my faith?



Freedom in Christ - Ladies - Mary Cheesman & Pauline O'Fee

Hoon Hay - Tuesday evenings – starting March
A thirteen week discipleship course based on the books written by Neil Anderson and Steve Goss. Incredibly useful at helping Christians become fruitful disciples, understanding who they are in Christ and living in that freedom.



Marriage Course – Contact the office

A series of seven sessions, designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage. Listen to practical talks that are informative and fun, either given live or played on DVD. There is never any group work and you will never be asked to share anything about your relationship with anyone other than your partner.



What's Next? – Derek & Phillipa Chirnside

Burnside - Every now and then!

Talking about hearing God, making a difference, enjoying your life and ministry. Specific themes will depend on who comes. Sunday breakfasts, afternoon biking and Sunday teas thrown in! Let us know if you're interested!



a **PRAYING** church

Prayer is important in so many ways. God in His Sovereignty, has chosen to respond to the needs of the world. We want to be a praying church.

Mid-week Early Morning Prayer – Ken Shelley

Halswell - Wednesdays, 7-7.40am

To pray for “breakthrough”. Mug of tea and a passion to pray!

Sunday pre-meeting Prayer

School Library - Sunday, 9.45-10.15 am

Each Sunday before the meeting we gather to pray about the meeting and see God move powerfully amongst us.



Praying Together as a Whanau

These events will be held regularly throughout the year and will be advertised on a Sunday, in our weekly emails, and on our Facebook page.

Sometimes it will be all together in one location, and other times we will pray in multiple locations or in groups. Other times we will join with other churches around Christchurch.

We spend a good proportion of time in worship and seeking God. Quite often we have found that God speaks to us through these times and we gain a sense of direction and momentum through the Holy Spirit.

We pray through various issues in our church and seek to see God move powerfully in Christchurch, New Zealand, and beyond.

“These are amazing times of encounter and business done with God. We worship, he speaks and we follow his lead in prayer”.

- Kate

king's **KIDS**

From the new-born to the eldest church member, everyone belongs. Our heart is to see each young person encounter God and embrace His calling on them; with a passion to live for Christ throughout their lives as they build great friendships with their peers.

We have four children's groups that meet on Sundays. Contact **Ginger Horn** or the office for more details on any of these groups.

On Sundays, the children stay in with our church family for the time of worship and after tea and coffee they go off to their own activities.

Our children's groups provide a secure and friendly environment in which children can grow and develop friendships with other children their own age. They have games and songs, sharing and prayer times, stories and craft activities.

All children (up to Xtreme) are signed in and out of the groups as part of our Child Protection Policy. The leaders of the group will explain this to you as you arrive with your child. If you wish, you are very welcome to stay with your child in these groups.

Bubbles

Newborn to
3 years

Splash

Age 4 to
School yr 2

Xtreme

School yrs
3-5

Bridge

School yrs
6-8



NEW to king's

At King's we want to make it easy for new people to find friendship and get connected straight away.

Even if you're still exploring and not sure what you believe yet, these **are a brilliant way to connect into King's and get to know people better.** They are also a fab opportunity for us to get to know you better!

Connect Card

Connect with us by filling out a Connect Card - they're available from the table just inside the door every Sunday.

Sunday Lunches

Each Sunday we have a welcome lunch in someone's home for any visitors or new people at King's. You would be welcome to attend. Please ask a member of the welcome team or listen for where the Sunday lunch is being held at news time before morning tea.

Introduction to Kings - Matt Parker

This is an evening where you can find out who King's Church are, chat with some of the leaders and ask any questions you have about the church.



in the **COMMUNITY**

As a thriving church family, our aim is to be outward looking, making connections with our local communities, and as a result blessing and serving them. We do this as individuals, and we can also do this together.

As a citywide church we have heaps of activities taking place in all sorts of places and spaces which anyone can attend - getting together to have fun, build friendships and bless the communities we live in.

Little Steps - Ginger Horn, Carol Shelley

Te Hapua, Halswell Library

Friday, 10-11.30am (term time only) – Gold coin donation

For bumps, babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers. Join us for play, music time, snacks, face painting and crafts.

Halswell Choir – Lesley Parker

Aidanfield Christian School

Monday, 7.15-9.15pm

The choir is made up of local community members and serves the community by performing at local events such as ANZAC Day, Christmas and fundraisers. Open to everyone who wants to sing. Choir is all about having fun and meeting new people.



For I was hungry and
you gave me food, I was
thirsty and you gave me
drink, I was a stranger
and you welcomed me

Matthew 25:35

in the **COMMUNITY**

Football - Matt Parker

Various venues

Every other Saturday in winter

A friendly but competitive team made up of members of King's Church and their friends. They play once a fortnight in the winter on a Saturday at venues across the city. No training required, strength of character essential!

King's Runners – Janet Williams

Hagley Park

Saturday, 8am

All ages and all stages welcome. We have a natter while we jog around the park together and stay fit. Some of us enter City to Surf and the Christchurch 10km or half marathon.

The Underdogs Netball Team – Ginger Horn

Action Indoor Sports, Hornby

Monday, time varies between 6 and 9pm

We play in a social mixed team league. All abilities welcome. We play for fitness and fun!

Link Community Trust

The trust supports the community work arm of King's Church - programmes and services which benefit and serve the local community, city and nation. If you have an idea for a service we could provide to the community, the Link Community Trust may well be able to help you make it happen. – Kate Ogden



"I play golf which enables me to meet local people who have become good friends. Find out what it is you like to do, and do it in the community".

- Bob



community **GIVING**

We give in various ways to our community throughout the year. If you would like to be involved in helping with any of these areas please get in touch.



Food for the homeless - Maddie Williams

Each Sunday we collect food for the poor or homeless in Christchurch. An orange box will be at the back – please give what you can in non-perishable food each week.

Christmas Angel Bags - Maddie Williams

Every Christmas the church collects goods to make up Angel Bags filled with Christmas treats, food, hygiene items, and a personally signed Christmas card. These are given in December to a charity for those who don't have much.

*At King's
giving is part
of our
worship*

Christmas Boxes - Meg Poppe

Towards the end of the year we participate in the Operation Christmas Child run by Samaritan's Purse, collecting boxes of Christmas gifts for children in poverty throughout the world.

Emergency Response Unit (ERU) – Contact the King's office

We often come across people in great need in the church and in our local communities. The ERU allows us to respond as a church family to these needs. Tell us what you are able to do for others if a need arises and we will add you to the King's database so you can be called upon (there is no compulsion to say yes at the time). Anything from being able to give food, go shopping for someone, pray, spend some time visiting someone, provide transport, to looking after someone's children for a while.

Monthly Gift to Charities

Each month the church gives a \$1000 gift to a charity. Past recipients include Youth Mental Health Services, Headspace, Alternative Education Providers and Youth Alive Trust.



connect via **SERVING**

Families flourish when every person in the family plays their part. It is the same in the King's family; every person has a different role but we find that we are far better off when we are truly united and in it together.

We would love to help you find out how you can play your part in the King's family. As a first step, take a look at the areas below where King's would benefit from your help.

Welcome Team - Mary Cheesman

Roster – every 5 weeks

Sunday, arrive 9.45am

Be the friendly face we and our visitors see as we arrive on Sunday morning!

PA - Steve Grublys

Roster

Sunday, arrive 9am

Set up and control the sound for the meeting on Sunday.

Morning Tea – Mary Cheesman

Roster – every 4 weeks

Sunday, arrive 9.30am

Prepare, serve and clear up morning tea

Set up / down - Paul & Janet Williams

Roster – every 4 weeks

Sunday, arrive 9am

Unlock, set out chairs, etc, and close up after the meeting

Video – Bob Cheesman

Roster – every 6 weeks

Sunday, arrive 10am

Each week video the sermon for our website. Equipment and full training provided.

AV – Aidan Watson

Roster – every 6 weeks

Sunday, arrive 9.45am

Control the data projector for the meeting.

Worship – Sam Watson

Roster

Sunday, arrive 9am

Do you play an instrument or sing and have a big heart for worship? we're always looking for more talented worshippers to come on board.

Kids Work – Ginger Horn

Roster

Sunday

We want to see all our children grow in God and friendship with each other and our Sunday morning kids programmes reflect this. Get in touch if this is something you'd like to be involved with. Police check will be required.

Sunday Lunches – Alex Skingle

Roster – every 3 months approx.

Sunday lunchtime

Each Sunday we have a lunch in someone's home for any visitors or new people at King's. Invite a few of the King's family for a pot luck lunch, and then welcome any visitors or people who are new to King's to come along.





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