



Onewa Christian Community



Gathering on Zoom

Sunday 22nd August 2021

Come and join in any time after 9:30am for a 10am Start

Welcome

We sing together: Be still for the presence of the Lord

Opening Prayer

Haere Mai, Aere mai, Hwan-Yeong, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Afio mai, Ulu tonu mai, Talofa Lava, Foon Ying, Selamat Datang, Vitajte, Bula, Welkom, Welcome

Candle Lighting:

A story – I am love, you are love, together we are love.

Readings – Psalm 84 a 21st century exploration by Francis Macnab.
John 6:60-61, 63-64a, 65-69 (*Inclusive Text/adapted*)

What have you been thinking – some thoughts

Singing – listen and reflect '*imagine*'.

Offering Dedication (together)

For all who live on planet earth

For all who feel defeated and worn, hungry and homeless

For all who need to hear good news with fresh meaning

We ask justice, compassion and peace

As we dedicate these gifts to alleviate want in this world.

So may it be

Amen

Prayer of Intercession

In the Spirit of the Lord's prayer

Singing: Put peace into each other's hands

ZOOM DETAILS

Onewa Christian Community – ZOOM worship

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81451789516?pwd=UWkwVVV4RUhrbnFabmdDOTNKS0Fvdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5178 9516

Passcode: 518373

This week – PSN leads us in a series of Praying for Children 22nd – 28th August.

Each morning at 9:15am Colin will email you all with a THOT for the day around Children Praying a New Story, based on the very good work of Micheal Morwood.



Dear God, throughout the week as we pray for children, help us to see them through their eyes. To pause, slow down and listen deeply.

Matthew 18:3b-4

'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.'



Scan the QR code to read the full blog article.

<https://resourcingprayerandworship.wordpress.com/>

A child's posture

Over the coming week we'll explore and offer resources for you to engage with seven childlike qualities:

wonder
giving attention
innocence
curiosity
playfulness
ongoing questions
trust

These are more than ideas to think about or even attitudes to have. Being called into discipleship Jesus encouraged, 'become like a child', and over time that childlike inner posture will be shaping the way we approach all of life.

The path to wisdom and maturity takes us into an ever deepening metanoia (change), of living, reflecting and adjusting. Our prayer is that in praying with children this week, you may also find yourself remembering and embracing these childlike qualities once more.



Onewa Christian Community

- Mission
 - **We aspire to be an active and innovative Christian community that provides leadership and builds partnerships in our fast-changing world.**
- Vision
 - We will:**
 - **be innovative in our approach to life and worship**
 - **demonstrate our willingness to share life experiences and spiritual awareness, promoting the teaching and practice of Jesus**
 - **seek out opportunities to promote inclusiveness, interfaith awareness and collaboration, especially through partnerships with local community organisations**
 - **be visible in the community as we live our values**
- Values
 - **Community** – We focus on people, personal connection and treating everyone with respect in practical ways ('manaakitanga').
 - **Diversity and inclusion** - We want to reflect and support the community around us through diversity and inclusion.
 - **Open heart / open mind** - We make space for personal and spiritual growth. We promote real and meaningful connection with others.
 - **A living faith** - Active faith begins at the point where certainty ends. A living faith involves faith in oneself, faith in others, faith in the future and faith in God.