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Contemporary Services at 9am & 11am Classic Service at 11am



indicates when newcomers coffee is on after each Sunday service.

FEB				
2 Waitangi Weekend	10am Global Missions Service	Depth Kick-off Night Wed 5 Feb. 7pm Cafe		
9 gam & 11am services commence	Nehemiah (1)	Alpha Invitation Dinner Sat 8 Feb, 7pm Café Alpha Course Thurs days from 13 Feb, to 10 Apr. 7pm Café		
16	Nehemiah (2)	Graction Beach Social Fri 14 Feb, 630 - 9pm, Coyle Park Youth Leader's Retreat Fri 14 to Sun 16 Feb Mt Albert Community Pop-Up Sat, 15 Feb 9am - 2pm, church car park		
23	Nehemiah (3)	Board Games Evening Sat, 22 Feb 7pm, Upper Lounge		
MAR				
2	Guest Speaker Blue Bradley	Quiet Morning (\$15) Sat 1 March, 9.30am - 12.30pm, 50 Hillsborough Rd		
9	10am International Street Food Festival	60 Plus Morning Tea Thurs 6 March, 10am, Cafe		
16	Nehemiah (4)	Mt Albert Community Pop-Up Sat 15 March, gam - 2pm, Church car park		
23	Nehemiah (5)	Board Games Evening Sat, 22 March 7pm, Upper Lounge		
30	Nehemiah (6)	Working Bee Sat, 29 March, 9 to 11.30am, church grounds Newcomers Lunch After 11am service		
APR				



ALPHA INVITATION DINNER & COURSE

Alpha is a free course that creates space for everyday people to participate in conversations about life, faith and God. The course begins with an Invitation Dinner on **Saturday 8 Feb, 7pm** in the church café. And the 10 week course runs on **Thursdays from 13 Feb to 10 Apr, 7pm.**, in the café.



A free family event - building community & supporting people. With a variety of stalls, come along and buy, donate, trade, repurpose. Contact Sarah-Jane mtalbertcommunitypopup@gmail.com 021 123 3789

Sat 15 Feb & 15 March, 9am - 2pm, church carpark



GOOD FRIDAY WALK

Join us for the annual Good Friday walk to each of the Mt Albert Churches with short Easter presentations at each. Starting place to be confirmed.. 10am Good Friday



YOUTH CORNER

Graction Beach Social - Fri 14 Feb, 6.30pm
Traction (for High schoolers) - begins Fri 14 Feb, 6.30pm
Gravity (for Intermediates) - begins Sun 9 Feb, 9am
Easter Camp - Earlybird Regos by Sun 16 Feb
E-Camp - Earlybird Regos by Sun 16 March
See Michael Kennerley for more info

6	Guest Speaker James Robertson		
13	PALM SUNDAY		
20 Easter Weekend		ALPHA EASTER SUNDAY Why Did Jesus Die?	Good Friday Walk Fri 18 Apr, 10am (start location to be confirmed)
27 Anzac Day W'end		Global Missions Sunday	

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

ON SUNDAYS

Classic or Contemporary Church Service?

Contemporary church services: held at 9am and 11am in the church Auditorium. 'Classic' church service; held at 11am in the Upper Lounge and features hymns and a quieter style of worship; the sermons come on the screen via live video link from the Contemporary service. The Classic service join the contemporary service for the last Sunday of the month.

What happens for children & Intermediate age?

The children's programme is on during the gam service only. Children stay in the church service for the first 20 minutes, then go to one of the following:

Sparkles: (Babies to 2 year olds) Meet in the side room off the cafe. Children need to be fully supervised by their parent/caregiver at all times

Bubbles: (3-4 year olds) In the Lower Lounge. The children get taught about God through interactive activities, craft and play.

Rangers: (Primary age) in the Gym Hall or

Explorers: (Primary age) in the Jubilee Hall.

For all primary aged children, we have a teaching curriculum that moves through God's Story with a focus on learning truth and applying it to life.

Gravity: (Year 7-8) We meet in the Upper Lounge on Sundays during the gam service during school terms, plus we have regular social events.

- **?** What about in the holidays? We have a programme for children every Sunday including school holidays. (For Christmas and during January, we have activity
- (1) Mandarin translation? Available at 11am service during school terms. Contact Frank for more information 021 346 818

CHURCH & COMMUNITY

TRACTION YOUTH GROUP (High school age) Fri 6.30-9pm, Jubilee Hall (includes \$5 dinner). Contact Youth Pastor Michael Kennerley. Follow us on Instagram: @tractionyouth

GRAVITY (Years 7 & 8) Sun 9am-10.30am, Upper Lounge. We have an awesome programme for the intermediates. Contact Pastor Michael Kennerley

YOUNG ADULTS (17-early 20s) Join the MABC Young Adults Facebook. We have 'DEPTH' on Wednesdays (See Life Groups). Follow on Instagram: @depthmabc

ESOL Wed 9.30-11.30am (during school terms) in the Café.

Contact Ps Rob Lovatt: robert.lovatt@mabc.org.nz

TOY LIBRARY Tues & Weds 9.30-11.30am - contact Jamie on email mtalbert.toylibrary@gmail.com

ALPHA COURSE: explore life, faith & meaning, Peter Rawlings 021 124 7961

INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES Pastor Rob Lovatt - robert.lovatt@mabc.org.nz

GLOBAL MISSIONS Contact Mark Penny - missions@mabc,org.nz

QUIET MORNINGS These are held a number of times a year at St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd. Costs \$15. Jackie or Janferie Wise jandjwise@xtra.co.nz

PRAYER CHAIN If you would like MABC's prayer chain to pray for you, please contact Christina Chiang - prayerchain@mabc.org.nz

CRAFTS & GAMES Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 1.30-3pm Café - contact Janferie & Jackie Wise - jandjwise@xtra.co.nz Eileen Asbury - david.eileen@xtra.co.nz

INTEREST GROUPS We have around eight interest groups that gather together at various times either weekly, monthly or once a term, ranging from dog walking to movie watching. Grab a fiver from the welcome desk for details.

OUR PASTORAL TEAM



James Fotheringham Lead Pasto 021 0239 9029



Winnie Huddleston Children's Ministry Pastor 022 510 6946



Michael Kennerley Youth Pastor 021 103 8254



International Ministries Pastor 027 844 9219



Diane Liston Connections Pastor 022 649 9744

LIFE GROUPS

For help on which of these groups may be a good fit for you, see Diane Liston.

DEMOGRAPHIC	TIME	SUBURB	CONTACT	PHONE				
TUESDAY								
Mixed	Weekly 7.30pm	Mt Albert	Peter & Sharon Turner	021 249 2255				
Mixed	Weekly 7.15pm	Mt Albert	Peter Rawlings	021 124 7961				
Young Families (No childcare)	Weekly 7.30pm	Various locations	Becky Coup	027 366 0203				
WEDNESDAY								
Late 20's to 30's	Weekly 7pm	Various locations	Alex Winslade	027 521 7617				
DEPTH 17-Late 20s	Weekly 7pm	MABC	Sarah-Jane Khor	021 123 3789				
THURSDAY								
Women's Group	Weekly 7.30pm	Mt Eden	Jackie & Janferie Wise	09 630 4929				
International (on Zoom)	1st & 3rd 7.30pm	Sandringham	Chen Onn Chin	028 409 4723				
FRIDAY								
The Well - Women's Group	Weekly 10am	МАВС	Jamie Teo	021 167 1867				
Mixed	Weekly 7.30pm	MABC	Jeff Turner	021 920 002				
Mixed	Weekly 7.30pm	MABC	Christina Chiang	021 0239 6547				

STARTING POINTS

- Why use the church app? Download EzyChurch from iTunes or Google Play and type in 'Mt Albert Baptist.' It gives you access to sermons, giving options, connection possibilities and
- Who do I contact if I have a pastoral need? If you're in a Life Group, please contact your Life Group Leader. If not in a Life Group and for acute situations please contact any of the pastoral team whose phone numbers are listed with their photo on this page.
- How do I get the church newsletter? Our weekly eNews is sent every Thursday or Friday. To receive this, email Becky Coup our Office Manager, at office@mabc.org.nz
- How do I give? Via our website, church app, Eftpos at the church café or QR code. For help contact Frank Zhang (church accountant) - finance@mabc.org.nz or 021 346 818
- Where can I find sermon recordings? The audio and video of the sermons are available on our website - mabc.org.nz - and also on our EzyChurch App.
- How do I join the music team? Contact Bruce Edwards bruce.edwards67@gmail.com
- How do I find out more about the Mt Albert Community Pop-Up? Sarah-Jane Khor: mtalbertcommunitypopup@gmail.com
- Who can I talk to if I have general inquiries about Sunday Services/Serving? Pastor Diane Liston diane.liston@mabc.org.nz
- Who can I talk to about Church Property and Bookings?

Bookings: Becky- Office Manager: office@mabc.org.nz or 027 366 0203 Maintenance: Alan- Operations Manager: alan.martin@mabc.org.nz or 022 525 6704

