

CHRISTCHURCH



SATURDAY 23 MAY

ST ALBAN'S BAPTIST CHURCH

9AM - 3PM - \$95 PER PERSON

INCLUDES MORNING TEA & LUNCH

In 2026 we have a particular focus on helping children discover Jesus and follow him their whole lives, with a focus on Bible engagement and prayer.

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TIMETABLE

9.00	Doors open
9.30	Opening session
10.15	Morning tea
10:45 - 11:45	Workshop A
11:50 - 12:50	Workshop B
12:50	Lunch
1:30 - 2:30	Workshop C
2:35	Connect time
3:00	Finish



WORKSHOPS

Please choose 1 workshop from each column (3 workshops in total).

WORKSHOP A 10:45-11:45	WORKSHOP B 11:50 - 12:50	WORKSHOP C 1:30 - 2:30
<p>*A1 TELL IT LIKE IT IS - Story telling is a vital tool for anyone working with children. Explore how to make this essential part of any programme exciting and memorable. Led by Nigel Winder</p>	<p>*B1 CONNECT - Discover ways to build strong relationships with children and how from that children's relationship with God can grow. Led by Liz Eichler</p>	<p>*C1 PRAYER ZONE - Experience a range of different ways to pray to help children and families develop a deep relationship with God. Led by Annette Osborne</p>
<p>A2 WONDER, BELONGING AND GOD - MINISTRY WITH PRESCHOOLERS - Discover how building nurturing, safe and welcoming spaces allows our preschoolers to explore who God is to them through curiosity and play. Led by Tara Morris</p>	<p>B2 HOLIDAY FUN - Holiday programmes are a powerful tool to connect with children in your community and to introduce them to Jesus. Learn how to get one started, what you might need, and how to get it over the line. Led by Nigel Winder</p>	<p>C2 CULTIVATING COMMUNITY - MOVING FROM MULTI TO INTER - Key insights, practical ideas, and lessons learnt along our journey from being a multi-ethnic, multi-generational congregation to becoming an inter-ethnic, intergenerational faith community. Led by Rachel Sangster</p>
<p>A3 FOLLOWING JESUS - Explore how to have good faith conversations with children, and explore the brand new 'Following Jesus' resource from SUNZ. Led by Annette Osborne & Andrea Lukin</p>	<p>B3 WHĀNAU FAITH FORMATION - How is faith formed within the whānau? Is faith more than head-knowledge? Drawing from Old and New Testament examples, theory and best practice we will explore this question together, and look at how approaches can change for families in different seasons of life. Led by Steph Wood</p>	<p>C3 FUN AND GAMES WITH PURPOSE - Come and experience some fun games that you can use in your ministry that enhance relationships, build community, and reinforce Biblical values and lessons. Led by Jayden Meads</p>
<p>A4 INTERMEDIATES AND THE CURRICULUM CONUNDRUM - This workshop aims to demystify and unpack the what, where, how of curriculum - such as selecting material, developing your own, finding resources, and bringing it all together as a cohesive plan. Led by Larissa Pearce</p>	<p>B4 CREATING BELONGING SPACES - Every child or team member, should feel they belong in church. This workshop explores how to build inclusive spaces for children of all abilities, backgrounds and needs so that no one feels left out. Led by Andrea Lukin</p>	<p>C4 GLUE, GLITTER AND GOD-TEACHING FAITH WITH CRAFT - A hands on workshop where we will make some easy crafts and share how craft can help children to remember Bible stories and turn lessons into memorable moments. Led by Jenny Lowe</p>

*These workshops are great if you're new to children's ministry or looking to refresh your thinking and practice.

OUR WORKSHOP PRESENTERS FOR CHRISTCHURCH



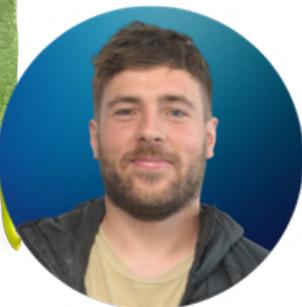
Liz Eichler

Liz works for SUNZ as the Children and Families Team Leader. She thinks a lot about what 21st century church could look like. In her 'spare' time, she tries to swim, walk and knit, though not all at once! She also likes to recycle to the 'nth' degree.



Andrea Lukin

Andrea is the SUNZ Children and Families Consultant for the Wellington area. With over 30 years in pastoring local churches, Andrea is passionate about equipping parents to bring faith into their homes and helping families with discipleship. In her spare time, she enjoys upcycling school desks and chairs, lots of crafts, plus she's a LEGO nerd!



Jayden Meads

Jayden works for SUNZ as the South Island Camps Facilitator. Experiential learning is something he loves to use with the young people he works with. When Jayden isn't working he is either out on a run or hanging out with friends. He also loves finding live music to listen to.



Tara Morris

Tara serves as the Children and Families Pastor at St Albans Baptist and has 14 years' experience as an ECE teacher. She is passionate about creating spaces where children feel safe, belong, and can confidently explore their faith—developing their relationship with Jesus and experiencing the Holy Spirit at any age. Tara also loves to craft, especially quilting and embroidery.



Annette Osborne

Annette has worked for SUNZ since 2004. She is passionate about the place of the Bible in bringing transformation in the lives of children, young people and their families. She loves listening to the questions children ask and helping them to discover the answers for themselves. When she is not working, she can be found paddling her kayak to a beach, with a thermos of tea.



Larissa Pearce

Larissa is the SUNZ Otago/Southland youth consultant, drawing on 25 years of experience working with children and young people. In her own words Larissa has seen, done or tried many ways of 'doing' and willingly shares the successes and epic fails.



Rachel Sangster

Rachel is the senior pastor of a faith community that is on a journey of becoming intentionally one. Across ages, cultures, ethnicities and social backgrounds they are engaging with God and one another in deep, real ways. Rachel is part of the Intergenerate Aus/NZ team that promotes and resources leaders and teams in this way of being church.



Steph Wood

Steph is married to Murray and they have three children. She has worked as a primary school teacher, a Playcentre supervisor and a holiday programme coordinator. Steph leads the children and families ministry at Ilam Baptist Church and also supports Baptist churches in the Upper South Island in her role as Children's Coach. When not working you will find her out in nature, reading or enjoying a quiet coffee.



Nigel Winder

Nigel is the SUNZ Children and Families Consultant for the Otago/Southland region. He loves opening the Bible with children and young people of all ages, helping them to grow as disciples of Jesus. He also works two days a week for his church. In his spare time, he grows vegetables to feed his family.



Jenny Lowe

Jenny started teaching Sunday school as a teenager and has been sharing her faith with children ever since. She is currently leading Kids Church at St Mary's in Halswell and is passionate about providing creative opportunities for children to learn and develop in their Christian journey.





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