

About People:-
Bob Cox is now in Booms Hospital,
David Juby is at home. **Lynda Pryor** is home also.

Thank you to our Easter flower arrangers and also to the many people who gave money towards purchasing the flowers. Thank you also to Kate Jones who provided a wonderful morning tea to keep us going. The church looked beautiful for Easter Sunday and many visitors who came on Monday and Tuesday commented on how uplifting all the arrangements were. Well done to all.
Fiona Harden

Evacuation Procedures - In the event of a fire, listen to the presiding team & Welcomers; leave by nearest, safest exit & assemble on lawn in front of Hospital & wait for "all clear".
NOTE THE EXIT NEAREST YOUR SEAT.
Toilets are in the Hall, next door.

Looking ahead with worship

- Late May we celebrate the shortest church season of Ascension,
- then to Pentecost day on June 4th.
- We will have two opportunities to prepare art work on May 21st and May 28th after church ready to display on June 4th. Please wear something red on that day.
- On Trinity Sunday we will use sets of three, such as three short sermons.
- In July we have interesting themes to our services.
- *Look forward to joining in.*

THIS WEEK: May 7-14 2017

Wed: 9:30-12 noon Selwyn Group, Hall MT/Hostess - Coordinators
 Thurs: Office Attended 9am to 12noon
 10am Holy Communion (1662)
 Saint Georges Chapel (Peter Philip)
 2-3pm Prayer Group meet at Rosemary Levesque's home 704 Tararu Road.
 Fri: Office Attended 9am to 12noon.
 Sat: S Georges Choral Workshop
 Sun: 9:30am at Saint Georges, NZ Eucharist
Theme - Stand Firm

Presider & Preacher: Joyce Marcon

Readings:
Acts 7 v 55-60 Lynda Pryor
John 14 v 1-14 Natalie Geary
1 Peter 2 v 2-10 George Haffenden

Intercessor: Fiona Harden
 Liturgist: Sue Lewis-O'Halloran
 Server: Margaret MacKay

Music Ministry: Stuart du Preez
Welcome Team: Raewyn Grey, Kate Jones, Christina Philip
Morning Tea: Kate Jones
Sanctuary Guild: Denise Norris

Thames Music Group Presents
Mighty River Harmony/
Barbershop

TODAY at 2pm
St Georges Church

Tickets at door, \$15 or \$13 members,
 \$5 students & community service card

INSPIRE ROSTER

Mon 8th: Del Patten
 Tue 9th: Judy Jones
 Wed 10th: Liz McCracken
 Thur 11th: *Volunteer please*
 Fri 12th: Denise Norris
 Sat 13th: Kate Jones

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Thames Anglican parish seeks an inclusive ministry of serving Christ in prayer, action and worship.
If you are a visitor to the Parish, please let the sidesperson know your name.
PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CUP OF TEA IN THE CHURCH AFTER THE 9:30am SERVICE.
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WELCOME
 TO THE
THAMES
ANGLICAN
CHURCH



Tikanga Pukeha partner church in the three strand in Aotearoa/ New Zealand/ Pacifica

Sunday 7 May 2017 - Easter 4

Service: 9:30am at Saint Georges - NZ Eucharist
Theme: Glad and Generous Hearts
Sentence: They broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts. Acts 2:46

Call to worship

God, our Shepherd, invites us to this place.
God invites us to rest in grassy meadows, and leads us beside restful waters.

God has set a table for us in the presence of our enemies.
God has given us so much, it is as if our cup overflows!

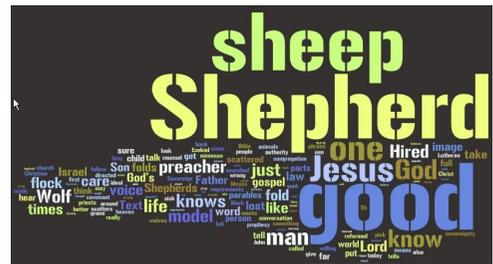
Come, let us gather in the house of our God.

Opening Prayer

We gather as followers of Jesus, who embodied love and showed us how to be the very presence of God. May our faith deepen beyond personal piety and mere tradition to become the story we tell with every breath of our lives.
Amen.

AM100 All People That on Earth do Dwell

1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice: serve him with joy, his praises tell, come now before him and rejoice!
2. Know, that the Lord is God indeed; he formed us all without our aid: we are the flock he loves to feed, the sheep who by his hand are made.
3. O enter then his gates with praise, and in his courts his love proclaim; give thanks and bless him all your days, let every tongue confess his name.
4. For God our mighty Lord is good, his mercy is for ever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
5. Praise God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit evermore; all praise to God the Three-in -One, let heaven rejoice and earth adore!



Prayer of Confession

We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be and do as members of Christ's body.

Silence

In God there is forgiveness

Loving and all seeing God, forgive us where we have failed to support one another and to be what we claim to be.

Forgive us where we have failed to serve you; and where our thoughts and actions have been contrary to yours we ask your pardon Amen

Assurance of Pardon

God forgives us; be at peace.

Silence

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection, reconciliation for all the human race.

We shall all be one in Christ, one in our life together. Praise to God who has created us, praise to God who has accepted us, praise to God who sends us into the world. Amen

Sentence

They broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts. *Acts 2:46*

Collect

**God of our futures;
you go ahead of us to prepare a place for us.
Help us put our trust in you; in this life,
may we be freed from our fears;
and, in the life to come,
know you face to face.
We ask this through Christ our Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever, Amen**

AM 126 The King of Love my Shepherd is

1.The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness fails me never, I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

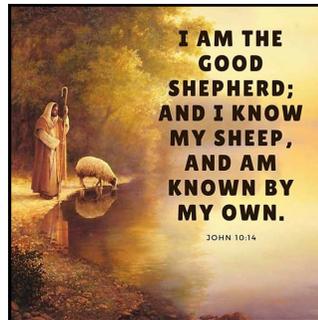
2.Where streams of living water flow a ransomed soul, he leads me; and where the fertile pastures grow, with food from heaven he feeds me.

3.Perverse and foolish I have strayed, but in his love he sought me, and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with you, dear Lord, beside me; your rod and staff my comfort still, your cross before to guide me.

5.You spread a banquet in my sight; of grace beyond all knowing; and oh, the wonder and delight from your pure chalice flowing!

6.And so through all the length of days your goodness fails me never; Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise within your house forever!



AM 464 God is Here



1.God is here! As we his people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share: Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of His Spirit into open minds and hearts

2.Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font and pulpit, here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here in newness and renewal God the Spirit comes to each.

3.Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

4.Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel, help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe.

Sending Forth

Go out in peace to follow Jesus, our Shepherd. Receive the shepherd's care, and care for others. Model the grace of God in our world that others will know they want to be a part of what we have as God's people. Go now to love and serve the Lord Go in peace. **Amen. We go in the name of Christ**

AM 171 Your hand, O God , has guided

1 Your hand, O God, has guided your flock, from age to age; your faithfulness is written, on history's every page; They knew your perfect goodness, whose deeds we now record; and both to this bear witness; one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

2 Your heralds brought the gospel to greatest as to least; they summoned us to hasten and share the great king's feast. And this was all their teaching, in every deed and word, to all alike proclaiming one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

3 Through many a day of darkness, through many a scene of strife, the faithful few fought bravely, to guard the nation's life. Their gospel of redemption, sin pardoned, hope restored, was all in this enfolded: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

4 Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone; with your right hand to help us, the victory shall be won. And then, by earth and heaven your name shall be adored; and this shall be their anthem: one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

**Thank you
to all who took the Easter communions to people
not able to attend St. George's at Easter.
102 enjoyed Easter Day communions.
Joyce.**

Today's Readings & Ministers

First Testament: **Acts 2 v 42-47**

Reader: Margaret MacKay

Gospel: **John 10 v 1-10**

The Good Shepherd Reader: Beth Philip

Presider & Preacher: Brenda Deed

Intercessions: Denise Norris

then to **page 476** in NZ Prayer Book, followed by intercessions on page **484**

Liturgist: Fiona Harden

Server: Kate Sayer

After Communion: **1 Peter 2 v 19-25**

The shepherd and bishop of our souls

Reader: Finlay Clements

Music Ministry: Finlay Clements

Welcome Team: Alex Juby

Morning Tea: Margaret MacKay

Sanctuary Guild: Winnie Sheehan, Natalie Geary.