

Please keep in your prayers

Jean Stewart, Shirley, Margaret Williamson, David and Fiona, Ken Hayhurst, Mary Horn, Percy Golding and Meryl Smith.

Lent Bible Study

Continuing Thursday's at 2-3:30pm. Meeting in the church hall meeting room.

Change of Venue

The Thames Inter-Church Council will hold the next meeting this Wednesday 28 February at 7pm. NOW meeting at Parawai Church of Christ, 415 Parawai Road.

Prayer Needs

Someone will be available in the side chapel by the candle during communion if you wish to receive prayer for yourself, family or others.

This week 25 February to 4 March 2017

Wed: 9:30-12pm Selwyn Group, Hall. MT/Hostess Beth Philip

Thurs: Office open 9am-12pm. 10am Holy Com. (1662),
St Geo Chapel (Rev'd Brendon)

2-3pm Prayer Group meet at Rosemary Levesque home 704 Tararu Rd

2-3:30pm Bible Study, meet in the Meeting Room in St George's hall.

Fri: Office attended 9am-12pm

Sun: 9:30am service at St George NZ Eucharist

First Testament: **Exodus 20 v 1-17** Denise Norris

Psalm: **19**

Epistle: **1 Corinthians 1 v 18-25** The Juby Family

Gospel: **John 2 v 13-22** Winnie Sheehan

Presider/Preacher: The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

Liturgist: Leslie Wilkinson

Music Ministry: Finlay Clements

Prayers: Fiona Harden

Server: Kate Sayer

Morning Tea: Margaret MacKay

Welcome Team: Raewyn Grey, Kate Jones, Christina Philip

Sanctuary Guild: Winnie Sheehan, Natalie Geary

Inspire Roster:

Mon: Gary Blake

Tues: Moi James

Wed: Jo Gregory

Thurs: Marcia Sowman

Fri: Mavis Fruin

Sat: Raewyn Grey

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THE PARISH OF THAMES

Welcomes you to

**St George Anglican
Church
Thames**



Sunday 25 February 2018 - Lent 2

Ministry Team

Liturgist: Leslie Wilkinson **Server:** Margaret MacKay

Prayers: Denise Norris **Organist:** Stuart du Preez

Welcome Team: Steve Darwell, Rex Geary, Lois Robinson

Presider/Preacher: The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

Sanctuary Guild: Margaret MacKay, Denise Norris **Morning Tea:** Denise Norris

Call to Worship

Grace and peace to you from God

God fill you with truth and Joy

The Lord be with you

The Lord bless you

This is the day which the Lord has made

Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Opening Hymn: I will enter his gates (1)

Opening Prayer

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open all desires known
and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you
and worthily praise your Holy Name; through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God we have sinned in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.**

**We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.**

We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.

**Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake and renew our lives
to the glory of your name, Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on us, pardon you and set you free.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal, Amen.

Sentence of the Day

If you want to become a disciple of Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow him.
Mark 8:34

Collect of the Day

**Servant God, grant us opportunity,
give us willingness to serve you day by day;
that what we do and how we bear each other's burdens,
may be our sacrifice to you.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.**

First Reading Genesis 17 v 1-7, 15-16 Paul Jennings

Psalms 22 v 23-31

23 You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**24 For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted;
he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.**

25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those
who fear him.

**26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD.
May your hearts live forever!**

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

28 For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

29 To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.

30 Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord,

31 and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen***

Second Reading: Romans 4 v 13-25

Gradual Hymn: Let there be love (2)

Gospel Reading: Mark 9 v 2-9 Raewyn Grey

Then turn to page 418 in your NZ prayer book

Offertory Hymn: Jesus, name above all names (3)

Closing Hymn: For I'm building a people of power (4)

Sending Forth

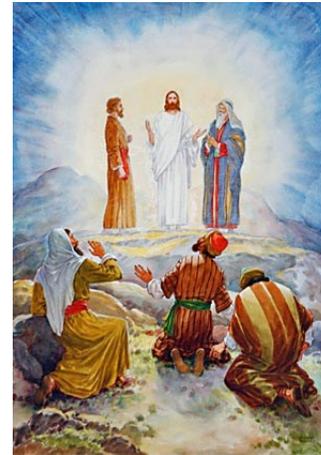
Go now to love and serve the Lord, go now in peace.
We go in the name of Christ, Amen.

PS 207 I will enter his gates

I will enter his gates
with thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter his courts with praise,
I will say this is the day
that the Lord has made,
I will rejoice for he has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
he has made me glad,
I will rejoice for he has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
he has made me glad,
I will rejoice for he has made me glad.

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PS 229 Let there be love

Dave Billbrough

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1. Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love in our eyes.
May now your love sweep this nation;
cause us O Lord, to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding,
of an agape love that is real.
Let there be love among us,
Let there be love.

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NJ 81 Jesus, name above all names

Jesus name above all names
beautiful Saviour,
glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us;
blessed Redeemer,
living word

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PS 145 For I'm building a people of power

Dave Richards

1. For I'm building a people of power
and I'm making a people of praise,
that will move through this land by my Spirit,
and will glorify my precious name.
Build your church, Lord, make us strong Lord,
join our hearts, Lord, through you Son.
Make us one, Lord, in your body,
in the Kingdom of your Son.

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