

### 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.

### Please Keep In Your Prayers

Ray Deed, Jean Stewart, Shirley, Margaret Williamson, David and Fiona, Ken Hayhurst and Mary Horn.

### Lent Bible Study

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

### Thames Foodbank

The main items that are needed at present are canned fish, meat, soups and also milk powder.

### Christian World Service

Grab a copy of the latest leaflet from the rear of the church.

### This week 4 - 11 March 2017

**Wed:** 9:30-12pm Selwyn Group, Hall. MT/Hostess *Marie Smith*.

**Thurs:** Office open 9am-12pm. 10am Holy Com. (1662), St Geo. Chapel *Rev Peter*  
2-3pm Prayer Group meet at Rosemary Levesque's home 704 Tararu Road.  
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: **Numbers 21 v 4-9** Kate Jones Psalm: **107 v 1-3, 17-22**  
Epistle: **Ephesians 2 v 1-10** Peter Philip Gospel: **John 3 v 14-21** Allan Judd  
Presider/Preacher: Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson Prayers: Beth Philip  
Liturgist: Fiona Sayer Server: Raewyn Grey  
Music Ministry: John Mounsey Morning Tea: Ien Chu  
Welcome Team: Max & Vivienne Baggaley, Winnie Sheehan  
Sanctuary Guild: Lois Robinson, Diane Stanfield



#### Inspire Roster:

Mon: Finlay Clements	Tues: Rosemary Levesque	Wed: Phyl Devcich
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 4 March 2018**



### Ministry Team

**Liturgist:** Dorothy McRoberts **Server:** Kate Sayer

**Prayers:** Fiona Harden **Organist:** Finlay Clements

**Welcome Team:** Raewyn Grey, Kate Jones, Christina Philip

**Presider/ Preacher:** The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Sanctuary Guild:** Winnie Sheehan, Natalie Geary

**Morning Tea:** Margaret MacKay

### 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:** 40 days and 40 nights (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

God spoke these words and said, 'I am the Lord your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery;  
you shall have no other gods before me.' *Exodus 20:1*

### Collect of the Day

**Lord, help us to see: to see what is eternally good and true,  
and having seen, to go on searching until we come to the joys of heaven.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

### Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
- 2 Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.**
- 3 There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;
- 4 yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,**
- 5 which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
- 6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them;  
and nothing is hid from its heat.**
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure,  
making wise the simple;
- 8 the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;**
- 9 the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and  
righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than  
honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.**
- 11 Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.**
- 13 Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me.  
Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,  
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

**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: 1 Corinthians 1 v 18-25** The Jubj Family

**Gradual Hymn:** A new commandment (2)

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

Then turn to page 418 in your NZ prayer book

**Offertory Hymn:** Circle us O God (3)

**Closing Hymn:** Glorious things of thee are spoken (4)

### Sending Forth

Go now to love and serve the Lord, go now in peace.

**We go in the name of Christ, Amen.**

### **72 A new commandment** *Arr. Andrew Moore*

#### **Refrain:**

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.

1. By this shall all know that you are my disciples  
if you have love one for another.  
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if you have love one for another.
2. You are my friends if you do what I command you.  
Without my help you can do nothing. (Repeat)
3. I am the true vine, my Father is the gard'ner.  
Abide in me: I will be with you. (Repeat)
4. True love is patient, not arrogant nor boastful;  
love bears all things, love is eternal. (Repeat)

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### **PS104 Circle us, O God.**

- Circle us, O God, let your arms enfold us  
Circle us, O God, let your love surround  
Circle us, O God, let your light shine brightly  
Circle us, circle us, O God.
- Circle us, O God, as we take and eat  
Circle us, O God, as we drink this cup  
Circle us, O God, at this holy banquet;  
Circle us, circle us, O God.
- Circle us, O God, as we work for others  
Circle us, O God, as we seek to serve.  
Circle us, O God, help us bring compassion;  
Circle us, circle us, O God.

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### **AM 172 Glorious things of You are Spoken**

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1. Glorious things of you are spoken  
Zion city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken  
Formed you for his own abode;  
On the Rock of Ages founded,  
What can shake your sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
You may smile at all your foes.
2. See the streams of living waters  
Springing from eternal love,  
Well supply your sons and daughters  
And all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river  
Ever flows their thirst to fade?  
Grace, which like the Lord, the Giver,  
Never fails from age to age.
3. Round each habitation hovering  
see the cloud and fire appear  
for a glory and a covering,  
showing that the Lord is near:  
thus they march, the pillar leading,  
light by night and shade by day;  
daily on the manna feeding  
which he gives them as they pray.
4. Saviour, since of Zion's city,  
I through grace a member am,  
Let the world condemn or pity,  
I will glory in your Name.  
Fading is the worldly pleasure,  
All its weak pretence and show.  
Solid joys and lasting treasure  
None but those of Zion know.

### **AM 56 Forty days and Forty nights**

1. Forty days and forty nights  
you were fasting in the wild;  
forty days and forty nights  
tempted, and yet undefiled.
2. Sunbeams scorching all the day;  
chilly dew-drops nightly shed;  
prowling beasts about your way,  
stones your pillow, earth your bed.
3. Shall not we your sorrows share,

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- and from earthly joys abstain,  
fasting with unceasing prayer  
glad with you to suffer pain?
4. So if Satan, pressing hard,  
soul and body would destroy,  
Christ who conquered, be our guard;  
give to us the victor's joy.
  5. Saviour, may we hear your voice-  
keep us constant at your side;  
and with you we shall rejoice  
at the eternal Eastertide.

