

THE PARISH OF THAMES

Welcomes you to

ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday 17th February 2019

6th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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: Come On And Celebrate

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

Please sit or kneel

**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 you,
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

Blessed are you when people hate you on account of the Son of man.

Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

Luke 6:23

Collect of the Day

**God of the hungry,
make us hunger and thirst for the right,
till our thirst for justice has been satisfied
and hunger has gone from the earth.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

1st Reading:- Old Testament: Jeremiah 17:5-10

Sharon Cordery

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Psalm: 1

1. Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

2. but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law they meditate day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

4 The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

5. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6. for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

***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***

2nd Reading: - The Epistle/NT: 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Beth Philip

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Gradual Hymn: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

3rd Reading: The Gospel/NT: Luke 6:17-26

Diane Buchanan

This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ, the Word

Sermon:

The Rev'd David Cooper

Intercessions:

Denise Norris

Then turn to service page 418 in your NZ prayer book

Offertory Hymn: Jesu Thou Joy Of Loving Hearts

Closing Hymn: Immortal Invisible

Sending Forth: Go now to love and serve the Lord; go now in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

1 Come On And Celebrate

Come on and celebrate His gift of love,
we will celebrate the Son of God,
who loved us and gave us life.
We'll shout Your praise, O King,
You give us joy nothing else can bring;
we'll give to You our offering
in celebration praise.

*Come on and celebrate, celebrate,
celebrate and sing
celebrate and sing to the King! (x2)*

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2 O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee:
I give Thee back the life I owe,
that in Thine ocean depths its flow
may richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee:
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee:
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from Thee:
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red
life that shall endless be.

George Matheson 1842-1906

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4 Immortal Invisible

Immortal, Invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name
we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest
in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring
above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness
and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great
and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on
the tree,
And wither and perish; but naught changeth
Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling
their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith.

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3 Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts

Jesu, Thou joy of loving hearts,
Thou fount of life, Thou light of men;
from the best bliss that earth imparts
we turn unfilled to Thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;
Thou savest those that on Thee call;
to them that seek Thee Thou art good,
to them that find Thee all in all.

We taste Thee, O thou Living Bread,
and long to feast upon Thee still;
we drink of Thee, the Fountain-Head,
and thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee,
where're our changeful lot is cast,
glad when Thy gracious smile we see,
blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.

O Jesu, ever with us stay;
make all our moments calm and bright;
chase the dark night of sin away;
shed o'er the world Thy holy light.

Jesu dulcis memoria; tr. Ray Palmer

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Ministry Team

Liturgist: Sue Lewis-O'Halloran **Server:** Leslie Wilkinson
Intercessor/Prayers: Denise Norris **Organist:** Finlay Clements
President: The Rev'd Catherine Mackereth **Preacher:** The Rev'd David Cooper
Welcome Team: Steve Darwall, Rex Geary
Morning Tea: Lynne and Ien
Te Puru: The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

Parish Community News

Exploring Prayer The final meeting of the series will be held in the Committee Room at 11am next Tuesday, 19th February. Come and hear where we have travelled with God as we listened and contemplated.

Huge thanks to Lynda Pryor for the weeding she did last week in the little garden in front of the hall. Thank you Lynda for your kind work in doing that.

There is a walking frame at the back of the church for anyone needing one during the service. This was kindly donated to the church by Mary Horn. Thank you Mary.

We are pleased to report that all rumours of the death of Stephen Eldon this week were greatly exaggerated!

Prayer Needs

*"The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace." Numbers 6:22-26*

Please keep in prayer this week all our parish members and especially our clergy.
Please pray for Maire Hayhurst and her family in the sad loss of Ken this last week.
Please also remember Vivienne Baggaley and her family in their sad loss of Max.

This week 17th-24th February, 2019

Wed: Selwyn Group,

Thurs: Healing Service at 10am Holy Communion (1662), St George's Chapel.

Sunday 24th: Service at Tararu, 11am.

Sunday 24th February

First Reading: Gen 45:3-11, 15	Denise Norris
Psalm: Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40	
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 15:35-38, 42-50	Winnie Sheehan
3rd Reading: Luke 6:27-38	Finlay Clements
President:	The Rev'd David Cooper
Preacher:	The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson
Liturgist:	Leslie Wilkinson
Server:	Margaret MacKay
Music Ministry/organist:	Stuart du Preez
Intercessions:	Christine Neilson
Sanctuary Guild/Flowers:	Margaret MacKay, Denise Norris
Morning Tea:	Margaret and Judy
Welcome Team:	Vivienne Baggaley, Winnie Sheehan

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