

THE PARISH OF THAMES

Welcomes you to

ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday 25th August

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

This morning our service is a little different in that we welcome the Trinity Puppeteers who are bringing a message through the medium of puppets to uplift and encourage St George's Church leaders, helpers and all the congregation.

Their message is taken from the Gospel of Jesus Christ and is called "The Fishermen". This will be a thought provoking performance and will replace the first part of our usual service.

Introducing Trinity Puppeteers

Trinity Puppeteers originated at Trinity Methodist Highland Park in 1983, and is still based there. However we have been through many generations of puppeteers, and so the team of puppeteers over time have become ecumenical in composition, belonging to many of the local churches.

Some of our puppeteers have recently moved on, so we are currently looking for new blood. We give prospective puppeteers basic training during our weekly practice night, with no obligation to continue if they find it is not their thing.

Over the years we have built up a strong skillset in a variety of puppetry styles. We twice received standing ovations for our innovative contributions to Ifest, an American Festival of Christian Puppetry.



The Fishermen

The Fishermen is an original dramatic presentation by the Trinity Puppeteers. It explores the story of Peter, and his fellow fishermen Andrew, John and James, as Jesus enters their lives, and the changes that occur, particularly in Peter.

The underlying purpose of the presentation is to make the events that happened 2000 years ago seem as real to the viewers as if they occurred yesterday. The script is serious drama, not humorous; it follows the gospels fairly closely with a little added artistic imagination.

This production has been a major long term project for us, it is very different from anything we have performed previously. It uses lifelike full bodied puppets, about ½ scale, operated from behind by multiple puppeteers who are visible to the audience.

The Peace: Please turn to page 419 in the Prayer Book

Offertory Hymn: Lord Make Me Like You

Lord, make me like You.
Please make me like You.
You are a servant.
Make me one too. O Lord I am willing.
Do what You must do to make me like You, Lord.
Just make me like You.

*Jimmy & Carol Owens
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Communion

Closing Hymn: Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty,
Unto Jesus be glory, honour and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority,
Flow from His throne unto His own,
His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus,
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all kings.

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

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Ministry Team

Server: Raewyn Grey **Organist:** Finlay Clements

Presider & Preacher: The Rev'd David Cooper

Welcome Team: Denise Norris, Winnie Sheehan

Morning Tea: Allan Judd, AnneMarie Hartley

Parish Community News

Bible Study, Tuesday 1— 2:30 pm; now being held, until further notice, at the home of David and Fiona Juby, 101 Warehoe Rd, R D 1, Thames.

Directions: On the road to Paeroa, 1st left after the golf course, then 1st house on the left after the tar-seal stops. Everyone is very welcome. 868 1136.

Tuesday night Bible Study, 27th August, 7pm, led by Brendon, this night at the home of Sharon Cordery, 116 Alexander Close, Thames. 868 7098.

Phone: We had some trouble this last week with our phone which has now been corrected. Our apologies to anyone who may have been inconvenienced by this problem.

Prayer Needs

"I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living." Psalm 27:13

Please pray for the people in this parish, that they will feel the love of the Lord in their daily walk.

Pray for the 2 bible study groups that as the attendees seek the Lord in His Word, they will be mightily fed. Please pray for wisdom for the leaders of these groups.

This week 25th August—1st September, 2019

Wed: Selwyn Group, 9:30-12:00

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

Sunday 1st September, 9:30

First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Sharon Cordery

Psalm: 81:1, 10-16

2nd Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Lyn Wilson

3rd Reading: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Christine Neilson

Preacher:

The Rev'd Jim Neilson

Presider:

The Rev'd Catherine Mackereth

Liturgist:

Leslie Wilkinson

Server:

Margaret MacKay

Music Ministry/organist:

Stuart du Preez

Intercessions:

Beth Philip

Sanctuary Guild/Flowers:

Fiona Harden, Celia Newby

Morning Tea:

Lyn Wilson, Ien Chu

Welcome Team:

Denise Norris, Doug Norris

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