

THE PARISH OF THAMES

Welcomes you to

ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday 26th May, 2019

6th Sunday Of Easter

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: O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus
vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean
in it's fullness over me.

Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of Thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward
to my glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
spread His praise
from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, never more;
how He watches o'er His loved ones,
died to call them all His own;
how for them He intercedeth,
watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
love of every love the best;
tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to Thee.

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Collect For Purity

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 us, pardon us and set us free. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in life eternal, Amen.

Sentence of the Day

*`Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,' says the Lord.
`Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'
John 14:27*

Collect of the Day

**Almighty God,
you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples,
filling them with joy and boldness
to preach the gospel;
send us out in the power of the same Spirit
to witness to your redeeming love
and draw all people to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and forever.
Amen.**

Lydia's Conversion in Philippi

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹ From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. ¹² From there we travelled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

¹³ On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴ One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. ¹⁵ When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face shine on us -

**so that your ways may be known on earth,
Your salvation among all nations.**

May the Peoples praise You, God; may all the peoples praise You.

**May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You rule the
peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.**

May the Peoples praise You, God; may all the peoples praise You.

The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us.

May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear Him.

***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***

Eden Restored

⁰ And He carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

²² I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³ The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendour into it. ²⁵ On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. ²⁶ The glory and honour of the nations will be brought into it. ²⁷ Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

^{22: 1} Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and His servants will serve Him. ⁴ They will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

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Gradual Hymn: Fill Thou My Life

Fill Thou my life, O Lord my God,
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
Thy being and Thy ways.

Not for the lip of praise alone,
nor e'en the praising heart,
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part:

Praise in the common things of life,
its goings out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
however small and mean.

Fill every part of me with praise:
let all my being speak
of Thee and of Thy love, O Lord,
poor thou I be and weak.

So shall no part of day or night
unblest or common be;
but all my life, in every step,
be fellowship with thee.

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3rd Reading: John 14:23-29

Allan Judd

Praise and glory to God

²³ Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves Me will obey My teaching. My Father will love them, and We will come to them and make Our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love Me will not obey My teaching. These words you hear are not My own; they belong to the Father who sent Me.

²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

²⁸ "You heard Me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved Me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

This is the gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ, the Word

Sermon:

The Rev'd Jim Neilson

Intercessions:

Denise Norris

Then turn to service page 418 in your NZ prayer book

Offertory Hymn: Tama Ngakau Marie

Tama ngakau marie, Tama a t'Atua,
tenei tonu matou, arohaina mai.

Murua ra nga hara. Wetekina mai
enei here kino, whakararu nei.

Takahia ki raro, tau e kino ai;
kei pa kaha tonu, ko nga mahi he.

Homai he aroha, mou I mate nei.
Tenei ra, e Ihu, takina e koe.

Tenei arahina, a tutuki noa:
puta i te pouri, whiwhi hari nui.

Tama ngakau marie, Tama a t'Atua,
tenei tonu matou, arohaina mai.

Verse 6 is a repeat of Verse 1.

(English Translation of this Traditional
Maori hymn: not for singing)

Son of a peaceful heart, Son of God,
here we are, love us.

Take away our sins: Undo
these evil ties which bind us.

Trample under foot whatever is evil;
lest the power remain of the evil deeds.

Give us love for You who died.
This day, Jesus, You lead us.

This is the pathway to the end;
through the darkness to receive great joy.

Traditional Maori Hymn AA 128

Communion

(prayer is available near the High altar during 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.

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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.

JESUS REPLIED: "LOVE THE
LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART
AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL AND WITH ALL
YOUR MIND. THIS IS THE FIRST AND
GREATEST COMMANDMENT. AND THE
SECOND IS LIKE IT: AND THE
'LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
AS YOURSELF.'
MATTHEW
22:37-
39

Ministry Team

Liturgist: Leslie Wilkinson **Server:** Raewyn Grey
Intercessor/Prayers: Denise Norris **Organist:** Finlay Clements
Presider: The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson
Preacher: The Rev'd Jim Neilson
Welcome Team: Dorothy McRoberts, Diane Buchanan
Morning Tea: AnneMarie Hartley, Allan Judd

Parish Community News

*****For the coming week, the office will be OPEN ON THURSDAY
30th May, 9am till 1pm, BUT CLOSED on Friday 31st May.*****

Pentecost Celebration - June 9th. Lunch in the hall after the service.
More information next week. Please join us for this lovely celebration.

A **big, big thank you** to all the people who contributed generously with
delicious "cake" donations and brickaback for the market stall table,

Prayer Needs

*'But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power
is from God and not from us.'* 2 Corinthians 4:10.

Please keep Brendon in daily prayer, for strength and wisdom in his God-given
role of shepherding this parish. Please also keep our parishioners in prayer
that they will hear the voice of God every day. Pray also especially for Judy
Jones, Rev'd Arthur Mead, Rangi Finnerty and Mary Crawford.

This week 26th May-2nd June, 2019

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

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

Sunday 2nd June, 9:30

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| First Reading: Acts 16:16-34 | Alan Hartley |
| Psalm: 97 | |
| 2nd Reading: Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 | Raewyn Grey |
| 3rd Reading: John 17:20-26 | Beth Philip |
| Presider: | The Rev'd Lilian Barrett |
| Preacher: | The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson |
| Liturgist: | Pip Harry |
| Server: | Leslie Wilkinson |
| Music Ministry/organist: | Lynne Mounsey |
| Intercessions: | Margaret MacKay |
| Sanctuary Guild/Flowers: | Fiona Sayer, Anna Juby |
| Morning Tea: | Kate Jones, Denise Norris |
| Welcome Team: | Denise and Doug Norris |

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