

THE PARISH OF THAMES

Welcomes you to

ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday 3rd February 2019
4th Sunday after the Epiphany

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: Father In Heaven

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

Now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face.

Now I know only in part; then I will know fully,
even as I have been fully known.

1 Corinthians 13:14

Collect of the Day

**Gracious and merciful God,
for our sake your Son became incarnate
and suffered death upon the cross;
purify our hearts and grant us zeal in your service;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen**

1st Reading:- Old Testament: Malachi 3:1-4

Stephen Williams

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Psalm: 84

1 How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

2 My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

3 Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at Your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

4 Happy are those who live in Your house, ever singing Your praise.

5 Happy are those whose strength is in You, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

6 As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.

7 They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!

9 Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of Your anointed.

10 For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; He bestows favour and honour.

No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly.

12 O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in You.

*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/N T: Heb 2:14-18

Denise Norris

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

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Gradual Hymn: Jesus Name Above All Names

3rd Reading: The Gospel/NT: Luke 2:22-40

Alan Hartley

This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ, the Word

Sermon:

The Rev'd David Cooper

Intercessions:

Beth Philip

Then turn to service page 418 in your NZ prayer book

Offertory Hymn: We Pray Thee Heavenly Father

Closing Hymn: Amazing Grace

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

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

1 Father In Heaven

Father in heaven how we love you,
We lift Your name in all the earth.
May Your kingdom be established
in our praises,
As Your people declare Your mighty works.
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come.
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,
Who reigns forevermore.

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2 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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3 We Pray Thee Heavenly Father

We pray Thee heavenly Father,
To hear us in Thy love,
And pour upon Thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Eucharist to Thee.

Be Thou our guide and helper,
O Jesus Christ, we pray;
So may we well approach Thee,
If Thou wilt be the Way:
Thou very Truth, hast promised
To help us in our strife,
Food of the weary pilgrim,
Eternal source of life.

And Thou, creator Spirit,
Look on us we are Thine;
Renew in us Thy graces,
Upon our darkness shine;
That, with Thy benediction
Upon our souls outpoured,
We may receive in gladness
The body of the Lord.

O Trinity of Persons,
O Unity most high,
On Thee alone relying
Thy servants would draw nigh:
Unworthy in our weakness,
On Thee our hope is stayed,
And blessed by Thy forgiveness
We will not be afraid.

V.S.S.Coles (1845-1929)

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4 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be,
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand
years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

John Newton (1725-1807)

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Ministry Team

Liturgist: Allan Judd **Server:** Margaret MacKay
Intercessor/Prayers: Beth Philip **Organist:** John Mounsey
President: The Rev'd Catherine Mackereth **Preacher:** The Rev'd David Cooper
Welcome Team: Dorothy McRoberts, Denise Norris
Morning Tea: Allan & Annemarie

Parish Community News

Each Sunday morning service through Lent from March 10th to April 7th.
The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson will be preaching a "Life Without" series.

- Sunday March 10—Life without the Holy Spirit
- Sunday March 17—Life without God
- Sunday March 24—Life without forgiveness
- Sunday March 31—Life without Love
- Sunday April 7—Life without favour

Exploring prayer: The postponed final session will be rescheduled and announced.

Prayer Needs

"The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty and is armed with strength. The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved." Psalm 93:1.

Please keep in prayer all our parish members and our clergy.
Please pray for Rev'd Arthur Mead, David Juby, Ken Hayhurst and Jill McLeod.

This week 3rd February-10th February 2019

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

Sunday 10th February 2019

First Reading: Isa 6:1-8	Kate Jones
Psalm: 138	
2nd Reading: 1 Corin 15:1-11	Paul Jennings
3rd Reading: Luke 5:1-11	Allan Judd
President:	The Rev'd David Cooper
Preacher:	The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson
Liturgist:	Allan Judd
Server:	Kate Sayer
Music Ministry/organist:	Lynne Mounsey
Intercessions:	Dorothy McRoberts
Sanctuary Guild/Flowers:	Vivienne Baggaley, Denise Norris
Morning Tea:	Kate & Denise
Welcome Team:	Christina Philip, Leslie Wilkinson, Kate Jones

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Wise men still seek HIM.