

### - About People-

Happy Birthday to **Winnie Sheehan** who celebrated her birthday last Wednesday.  
**Olive Danby** passed away this week, a private family service will be held, our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

## SINGING WORKSHOP

Sunday July 26: 11.30-4pm  
 At Saint Georges Church

*Singing in Parts*

Led by Anita Banbury

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on the day registration 11.15am or online  
 (see church noticeboard for details)



### 'NewsLeads'

CBA has a new enterprise,  
 called 'NewsLeads'.

NewsLeads seeks to serve the people of NZ's news media...primarily through chaplaincy and also by providing well qualified commentators on a wide range of topics.

Jesus taught us to serve one another in love. To wash feet. To put on gumboots and wade into the world of broken and stressed people. This is the motivation behind NewsLeads led by the Rev Frank Ritchie. Frank is an ordained Wesleyan Methodist minister and has worked in media for many years (including as a presenter of CBA programmes). Frank says:

"I'm passionate about news media and those who work in it. The news stories they deal with can be troubling and soul destroying. We want people in the newsmedia to know that when they turn our way they'll find someone willing to jump into the mess of life with them, no agenda, no judgement.

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*Thames Anglican parish seeks an inclusive ministry of serving Christ in prayer, action and worship.*

**If you are a visitor to the Parish, please let the sidesperson know your name.**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CUP OF TEA IN THE CHURCH AFTER THE 9:30am SERVICE.**

A safe place for the LGBT Communities

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### THIS WEEK: 19 - 26 July 2015

Tue: 11am-2pm S. Georges Trust Meet, Committee Room

Wed: 9:30-12 noon Selwyn Group, Hall MT/Hostess Annette Herbert

Thurs: Office Attended 9am to 12noon  
 10am Holy Communion (1662)  
 Saint Georges Chapel (Arthur Mead)  
 2pm Weekly Bible Study Group at 3 Wakatere Place, Totara Palms.

Fri: Office Attended 9am to 12noon.  
 12.15 Th. Mus. Gp Lunchtime concert features Francis Cowen at the piano.  
 Soup and Bun lunch after

Sun: 9:30am at Saint Georges, NZ Eucharist  
 Theme - Bible Sunday  
 11.30am-4pm Choral Group Workshop

Presider: The Vicar, Preacher: Arthur Mead

#### **Readings:**

**2 Timothy 3 v 14-4:5** Des Herbert

**John 5 v 36b-40** Raewyn Grey

**Isaiah 35 v 1-11** Kate Jones

Liturgist: Catherine Mackereth

Server: Raewyn Grey

Intercessor: Margaret MacKay



**Music Ministry:** Stuart du Preez

**Welcome Team:** Steve Darwell, Rex Geary, Lois Robinson, **Morning Tea:** Colleen Jones

**Sanctuary Guild:** Dallas Egan, Beth Philip, Christina Philip

### **INSPIRE ROSTER**

20: Peter Philip/Catherine Mackereth

21: Judy Jones/Phillippa/Leigh Christie

22: George Haffenden/Jo Gregory

23: Denise Norris/ David Juby

24: Raewyn Struthers/Margaret Smith

25: Margaret MacKay

# Welcome

To The

## THAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH

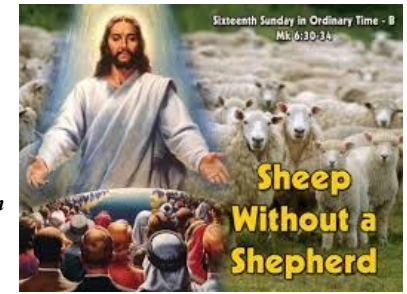
*Tikanga Pakeha partner church in the three strand Anglican Church in Aotearoa/ New Zealand/Pacifica*

### Sunday 2015 - 19 July

**Service:** 9:30am at Saint Georges - NZ Eucharist  
 9:30am at Te Puru

**Theme:** *Wherever We Are*

**Sentence:** Behold, God is our helper; the Lord is the upholder of our life. With a free-will offering let us sacrifice to him; give thanks to the name of the Lord, for it is good. *see Psalm 54 v 4, 6*



### Call to worship

Spirit God is not confined to church spires and pipe organs, but Spirit makes a home within and through all.

The brick and mortar of church buildings cannot contain the sacredness of the Living God but the flesh and bone of gathered community is made sacred by God's presence among us.

Wherever God is, life is nurtured. Wherever God is, we are given space for renewal.

**Come, let us worship.**

### Opening Prayer

With each breath, we draw in the air around us. With each breath, we draw in you, Eternal Presence.

You surround us, sustain us, and enliven us.

Thank you for meeting us here, in this place and time.

May we draw near to you as you are always near to us.

**Amen.**

### NJ 60 I have made a covenant

1. I have made a covenant with My chosen, Given My servant My word. I have made Your name to last forever, Built to outlast all time.

#### **Refrain:**

***I will celebrate Your love forever, Yahweh, Age on age my words proclaim Your love. For I claim that love is built to last forever, Founded firm Your faithfulness.***

2. Yahweh, that assembly of those who love You Applaud Your marvellous word. Who in the skies can compare with Yahweh? Who can rival Him?

3. Happy the people who learn to acclaim You, They rejoice in Your light. You are our glory and You are our courage, Our hope belongs to You.

4. I have revealed My chosen servant And He can rely on Me, Given Him My love to last forever, He shall rise in My name.

5. He will call to Me, 'My Father, My God!' For I make Him My firstborn Son. I cannot take back My given promise, I've called Him to shine like the sun.

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*The next Service Roster is available for collection from the rear of the church.*

## Prayer of Confession

Wandering God of wilderness and exiles,  
we confess we try to confine you  
to buildings and familiar structures,  
religions and denominations.

**We release you**

**Help us imagine you wherever you are**  
(pause).

Mysterious God who is beyond explanation,  
we try to limit you  
to theologies and doctrines,  
well-worn answers and personal opinions.

**We release you**

**Help us imagine you wherever you are**  
(pause).

God of all nations,  
we align the good of your name with our  
national interests and commonwealth,  
our political party and the land we call home.

**We release you.**

**Help us imagine you wherever you are**  
(pause).

**Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Here is the good news:

Christ has broken down the walls that confine  
and limit. In Christ, that which is separated comes  
together

and arrogance, hostility, and nationalism disappear.

In Christ we discover that in all places and at all times  
✠ the Spirit of God is found.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Collect

**God of the storm's still eye:  
when we are overwhelmed  
by pressures and demands  
which cut us off from life,  
take us to a place apart  
where we might find again  
our true heart's centre,  
our far horizon,  
the silence that awaits  
a world where we can breathe;  
through Jesus Chris, who  
brings us near to you. Amen.**

## AA 82 Join hands in the Spirit

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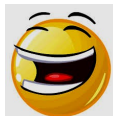
1. Join hands in the Spirit,  
the one holy name,  
you are love, and we your children,  
one and the same.  
All glory to the Spirit,  
all praise to your name  
for your love unites us  
in peace once again.
2. Join minds in the Spirit,  
the one source of life,  
all are born in your image,  
sparks of your light.  
Oh joy that you call us  
to love and forgive  
to trust beyond fear,  
that in death we may live.
3. Join hearts in the Spirit,  
the one holy peace,  
your love is our union,  
your touch our release.  
Oh great heart! embracing  
every creed, every race,  
in gratitude we cry

### Evacuation Procedures -

In the event of a fire, listen to the presiding  
team & Welcomers; leave by nearest,  
safest exit & assemble on lawn in front of  
Hospital & wait for "all clear".  
NOTE THE EXIT NEAREST YOUR SEAT.  
TOILETS are in the Hall, next door.

## A Joke for the Day

An elderly couple were killed in an accident and found  
themselves being given a tour of heaven by Saint Peter.  
Here is your oceanside condo, over there are the tennis  
courts, swimming pool, and two golf courses. If you need  
any refreshments, just stop by any of the many bars  
located throughout the area," said Peter.  
"Heck, Gloria," the old man hissed when Saint Peter  
walked off, "we could have been here ten  
years ago if you hadn't insisted on exercising  
three times a week and eating that stupid oat  
bran, wheat germ, and low-fat food!"



V: The Lord is my shepherd:

R: there is nothing I shall want.

## PS 172 His banner over me is love

*Christopher Tambling*

1. He brings us into his banqueting table  
*his banner over me is love;*  
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He brings us into his banqueting table  
*his banner over me is love;*  
*his banner over me is love;*
2. The one way to peace is the power of the cross,  
*his banner over me is love.....*
3. He builds his Church on a firm foundation,  
*his banner over me is love.....*
4. In him we find a new creation,  
*his banner over me is love.....*
5. He lifts us up to heavenly places  
*his banner over me is love.....*

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### Thames Music Group Presents Pianist Francis Cowan

Friday 24 July, 12:15pm at  
St Georges Church.

Free entry, gold coin donation appreciated.

### Today's Readings & Ministers

First Testament: **2 Samuel 7v 1-14a**

Reader: Denise Norris

Gospel: **Mark 6v 30-34, 53-56**

*Sheep without a shepherd*

Reader: Paul Jennings

Presider & Preacher: David Cooper S. Georges

Claire Stewart at Te Puru Community Church

Intercessions: Annette Herbert

then to **page 484** in NZ Prayer Book

Liturgist: Catherine Mackereth

Server: Margaret MacKay

After Communion: **Ephesians 2v11-22**

*Christ is our Peace* Reader: Matt/Anna Juby

**Music Ministry:** Lynne Mounsey/Barbara Harry

**Welcome Team:** Ray Deed, Max & Vivienne

Baggaley

**Morning Tea:** Lois Robinson

**Sanctuary Guild:** Winnie Sheehan,

Natalie Geary

## NJ 99 Majesty

*Jack W. Hayford.*

1. Majesty, worship His majesty,  
Unto Jesus be glory, honour and praise.  
Majesty, kingdom authority,  
Flow from His throne unto His own,  
His anthem raise.
2. 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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### Today's Reflection ...

Wherever God is, life is nurtured.  
Wherever God is, we are given  
space for living, finding renewal in  
the presence of the Holy in our  
midst. Where, and how, do you find  
yourself "at home" in God's  
presence, as an individual and as a  
church? Where, and how, do you  
invite others to come home to God?



*Practicing the Presence of God*

## Sending Forth

As we leave this place and our time together,  
let us be mindful of God's presence:

**In the early morning,  
we will see God's face in the dawning of  
a new day.**

**In the midst of the day's activities,  
we will trust in God's steadfast love.  
At the close of the day,  
our souls will find rest  
in the goodness of God.**

We go with God's sacred presence  
within, around, and between us.

**AMEN**