

# Anglican Parish of Thames

## Saint George The Martyr Anglican Church

9:30am Sunday, 13th May 2018

Heritage Service  
1868-2018

## Eucharistic Liturgy

THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

**President and Preacher:**  
*The Right Reverend Ross Bay*

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*Welcome and thank you for celebrating with us today*

**Ministry Team**

**Server:** Kate Sayer

**Music:** John and Lynne Mounsey

**Welcome Team:** Max and Vivienne Baggeley, Winnie Sheehan

**Readers:** Sue Lewis-O'Halloran, Alison Mc Intosh, Jill McLeod

**Intercessor:** Beth Philip

**Sanctuary Guild:** Lois Robinson, Dianne Stanfield

**Liturgist:** The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**The Gathering of the Community**

**Acknowledgement to the Bishop:** Matua Toko Te Aho  
The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Welcome:** The Right Reverend Bishop Ross Bay

*Bishop Ross Bay says*

E te whanau a te Karaiti,  
welcome to this holy table;  
welcome to you,  
for we are Christ's body, Christ's work in the world.  
Welcome to you whose baptism makes you  
salt of the earth and light to the world.  
Rejoice and be glad.  
Praise God who gives us forgiveness and hope.

*Liturgist announces the hymn*

**Opening Hymn:** Be thou my vision

1. Be Thou my Vision, the Lord of my heart  
Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light
2. Be Thou my Wisdom, the lamp to my feet  
thy word like honey, to my lips is sweet  
Thou my delight, my joy, thy command  
my dwelling ever, be the palm of thy hand
3. Riches I need not, nor seek human praise  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart  
High God of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art
4. High God of Heaven, my victory won  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun  
Heart of my own heart, whate'er befall  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

Praise and glory to Christ,  
God's new beginning for humanity  
making ritual water gospel wine,  
cleansing all our worship.

**Love and loyalty to Christ,  
who gives us the gospel.  
Praise to Christ who calls us to holiness.**

Christ is the good shepherd  
who knows and cares for every one of the sheep  
in different folds.  
In Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile;  
in Christ there is no discrimination  
of gender, class or race.  
In Christ the poor are blessed,  
the simple receive truth hidden from the wise.

**Alleluia!**

**God of justice and compassion,  
you give us a work to do  
and a baptism of suffering and resurrection.  
From you comes power to give to others  
the care we have ourselves received  
so that we, and all who love your world,  
may live in harmony and trust.**

**Forgiveness**

*The congregation sits or kneels*

We come seeking forgiveness  
For all we have failed to be and do  
As members of Christ's body

*Silence*

In God there is forgiveness.

**Loving and all-seeing God,  
forgive us where we have failed to support one another  
and to be what we claim to be.**

**Forgive us where we have failed to serve you;  
and where our thoughts and actions have been  
contrary to yours we ask your pardon.**

*Bishop Ross Bay:*

†God forgives us; be at peace.

*Silence*

Rejoice and be glad,  
for Christ is resurrection,  
reconciliation for all the human race.

**We shall all be one in Christ,  
one in our life together.**

**Praise to God who has created us,  
praise to God who has accepted us,  
praise to God who sends us into the world.**

**Sentence of the day**

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved.

*Acts 16:31*

**Collect of the day**

**Holy God, you feed us with earthly and spiritual food.  
Deathless, unalterable, you have chosen us,  
sinful as we are, to hear your word and to proclaim your  
truth. Alleluia! Make us salt of the earth; make us yeast in  
the loaf. Praise to you our God; you answer prayer.  
Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION**

*After each reading*

**Reader:** Here what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**All:** **Thanks be to God**

**First Reading:** Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 (Sue Lewis O Halloran)

Psalm 1

<sup>1</sup>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;

**<sup>2</sup>but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

<sup>3</sup>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.

**<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**<sup>6</sup>for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**Glory be 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.**

**Second Reading:** 1 John 5:9-13 (Alison Mc Intosh)

**Gradual Hymn:** Jesus name above all names (NJ81)

Jesus name above all names  
beautiful Saviour,  
glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us;  
blessed Redeemer,  
living word

**GOSPEL :** John 17:6-19 (Jill McLeod)

*Before the Gospel*

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to

**All: Praise and glory to God**

*After the Gospel*

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ

**All: Praise to Christ the Word**

**SERMON** The Right Reverend Ross Bay

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(please stand)*

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.  
You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,  
good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ,  
who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are our God. We worship you.**

Let us prayer for the Church and for the world giving thanks for God's goodness

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** BETH PHILIP

As Christ teaches us we sing

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

**The Peace** *(please stand)*

Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace  
**Who breaks down the walls that divide**

The Peace of God be always with you  
**Praise to Christ who unites us in peace**

**Offertory Hymn:** Let all mortal flesh keep silence,

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
And with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
For with blessing in His hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
As of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
In the body and the blood;  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
Spreads its vanguard on the way,  
As the Light of light descendeth  
From the realms of endless day,  
That the pow'rs of hell may vanish  
As the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six-winged seraph,  
Cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence,  
As with ceaseless voice they cry:  
"Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"



## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed.**

Lift your hearts to heaven

**where Christ in glory reigns.**

Let us give thanks to God.

**It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

It is the joy of our salvation,  
God of the universe, to give you thanks  
through Jesus Christ.

You said, 'Let there be light'  
there was light.  
Your light shines on in our darkness.  
For you the earth has brought forth life  
in all its forms.

You have created us to hear your Word,  
to do your will and to be fulfilled in your love  
It is right to thank you.

You sent your Son to be for us  
the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know.  
You sent your Son  
to give his life to release us from our sin.  
His cross has taken our guilt away.

You send your Holy Spirit  
to strengthen and to guide,  
to warn and to revive your Church.  
Therefore, with the Builders of the Church in Aotearoa,  
New Zealand and Polynesia,  
with our forebears of this Parish  
and all your witnesses who surround us on every side,  
countless as heaven's stars,  
we praise you for our creation and our calling,  
with loving and with joyful hearts:  
**Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and just,  
glory and goodness come from you.  
Glory to you most high and gracious God.**

*(please sit)*

Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son,  
who washed his disciples' feet.  
'I am among you,' he said, 'as one who serves.'

On that night before he died  
he took bread and gave you thanks.  
He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
Take eat this is my body  
which is given for you;  
do this to remember me.

After supper, he took the cup,  
and gave you thanks.  
He gave it to them and said:  
Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant,  
shed for you, shed for all, to forgive sin;  
do this to remember me.

Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us.

**God of the past and present,  
we your people remember your Son.  
We thank you for his cross and rising again,  
we take courage from his ascension;  
we look for his coming in glory  
and in him we give ourselves to you.**

Send your Holy Spirit,  
that we who receive Christ's body  
may indeed be the body of Christ,  
and we who share his cup  
draw strength from the one true vine.

**Called to follow Christ,  
help us to reconcile and unite.  
Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.**

For you, the heavenly one, make all things new;  
you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first.

**Praise, glory and love be yours,  
this and every day,  
from us and all people,  
here and everywhere. Amen.**

*The bread is broken in silence.*

Christ's body was broken for us on the cross,  
**Christ is the bread of life**

His blood was shed for our forgiveness  
**Christ is risen from the dead.**

#### **INVITATION**

Come God's people  
Come to receive Christ's heavenly food

*All are welcome to receive communion  
please stand or kneel whatever is your tradition*

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.  
**Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.**  
Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.  
**Praise to God who is revealed as love.**  
Blessed be God who alone has called us.  
**Therefore we offer all that we are  
and all that we shall become.**  
Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.  
**Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.  
Our hands were empty, and you filled them.**

**BLESSING:** BISHOP ROSS

## CAKE CUTTING:

## CLOSING HYMN: SING A HAPPY ALLELUIAH

1. Sing a happy alleluia!  
Sing it out with heart and style,  
we're the echo of God's laughter,  
we're the image of God's smile.  
**Refrain: Alleluia, all creation  
alleluia everyone,  
alleluia all creation,  
alleluia everyone!**
2. We're the proof of God's good humour,  
we're the twinkle in God's eye,  
made to shine, reflect the glory,  
given light and space to fly.
3. Sarah laughed at God's good timing,  
Mary sang and David danced,  
Jesus smiled and hugged the children  
so is life for us enhanced.
4. Every day sing alleluia!  
We are loved, though so absurd,  
human, foolish, chosen people,  
God still takes us at our word!

## DISMISSAL

Go now to love and serve God  
as those before us did Go in peace.

**Amen we go in the name of Christ.**

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# Notices

## Prayer Needs

Someone will be available at the rear of the chapel by the candle during communion if you wish to receive prayer for yourself, family or others.

Please pray for Percy and Eva Golding, Rev'd Brenda Deed, Ray Deed, Mary Horn, Jean Stewart, Bob Cox, Ken and Mairi, Mervyn

# Roster

**This week 14th May—20th May 2018**

**Wed:** 9:30-12pm Selwyn Group, Hall. MT/Hostess

**Thurs:** Office open 9am-12pm. 10am Holy Com. (1662), St George Chapel  
with Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Office Open: Tues/Thurs; 9am—12pm**

**Sun:** 9:30am service at St George NZ Eucharist

## Sunday 20th May

**First Reading:**

Acts 2:1-21 ( Lyn Wilson)

**Psalm:**

Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b

**Second Reading/The Epistle:**

Romans 8: 22-27 (George Haffenden)

**Third Reading/The Gospel:**

John 15: 26-27, 16:4b-15 (Arthur Mead)

**Presider:**

The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Preacher:**

The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Intercessor/Prayer:**

Margaret MacKay

**Liturgist:**

Sue Lewis-O'Halloran

**Server:**

Raewyn Grey

**Music Ministry/organist:**

Stuart du Preez

**Morning Tea:**

Alan Judd

**Welcome Team:**

Ana Juby, Fiona Sayer

**Vicar:** The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson.

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## **Our History**

*The Thames Parish was established in 1868 with the original church being opened on 5th May. However, due to the opening of the Thames Goldfield in 1867, it was soon clear that a larger building was required. The new church was started in 1871 and opened for worship on January 28th, 1872. In 1889 the cottage next to the church was bought, extended and became the vicarage.*

*In 1963, a new vicarage was built across the road at 603 Mackay Street, the hall was turned around to be parallel to the church and the old vicarage was joined onto the front of the Hall to provide an office, meeting rooms, kitchen and cloakrooms.*

*Twenty years later, the vicarage across the road was sold and another one bought in Mount Pleasant, a much more pleasant environment to bring up children.*

*This home has since been sold. 1984 saw the Nave sanctuary created which brought the clergy and the congregation closer together.*

*The focus for the next decade was the restoration of the Hall, including repiling, restoring windows and painting*



**150 YEARS**

**St George The Martyr  
Anglican Church  
Mackay Street**

**Thames** (next to the hospital)

The Right Reverend Bishop Ross Bay presiding.

**Sunday 13th May 2018**

**9.30am**

**Heritage Church Service  
In the 1868 Church**

Followed by Victorian

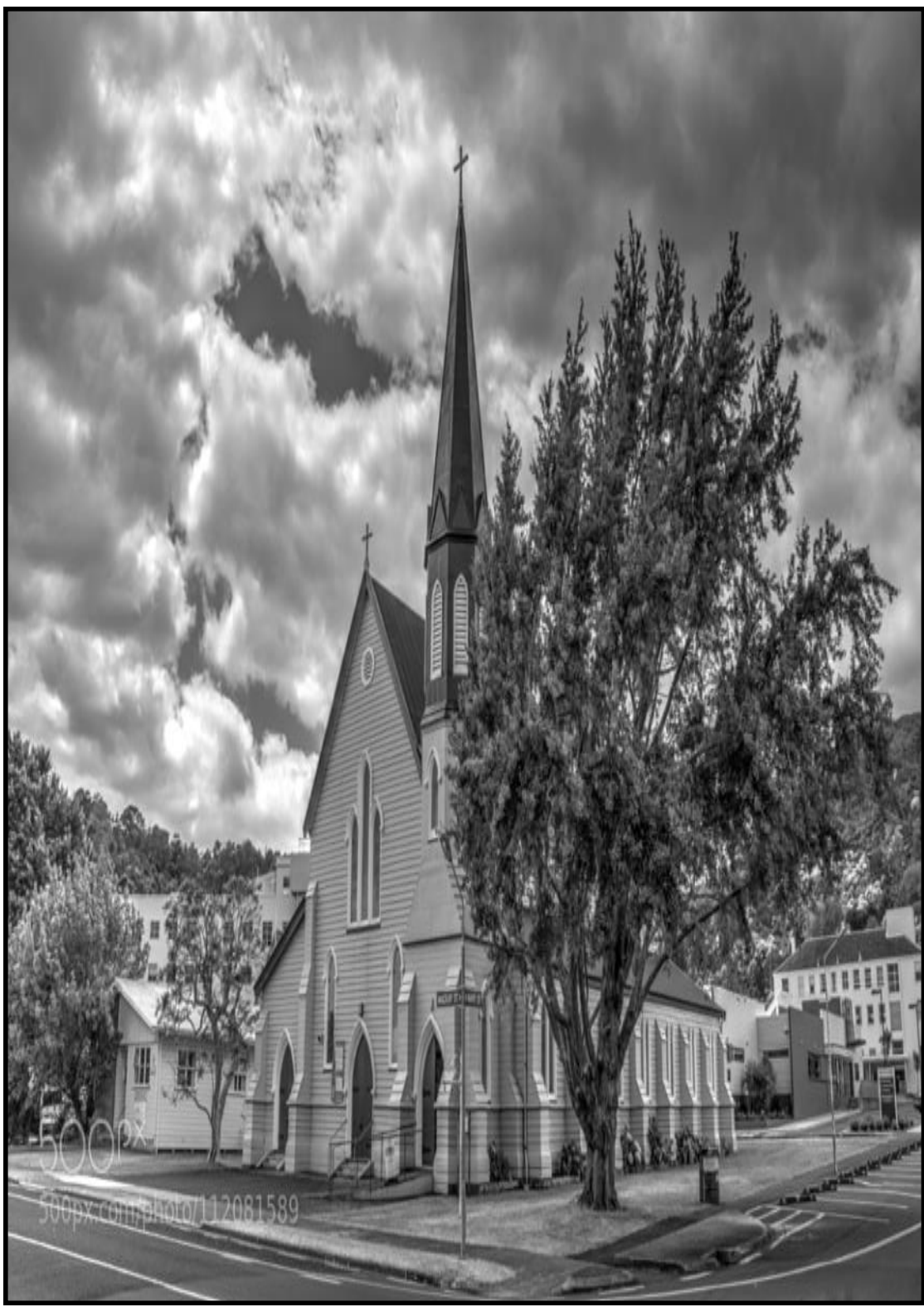
Morning Tea

\$10.00 per person

or \$15.00 double

*Victorian dress optional*





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