

THE PARISH OF THAMES

Welcomes you to

ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Sunday 18th November 2018

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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: Blessed Assurance

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

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king,
and exalt the power of his anointed.

1 Samuel 2:10

Collect

**God, our ruler and guide, when we come to the place
where the road divides, keep us true to the way of Christ,
alive to the present opportunities, and confident of eternal life,
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen

1st Reading:- Old Testament: 1 Sam 1:4-20

Paul Jennings

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Psalm: For Psalm: 1 Sam 2:1-10 The Song Of Hannah

1 Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies,

2 "There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.

3 Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

4 The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.

5 Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.

6 The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

7 The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts.

8 He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world.

9 "He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail.

10 The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

*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 10:11-14, 19-25

Alan Hartley

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Gradual Hymn: Seek Ye First

3rd Reading: The Gospel/NT: Mark 13:1-8

Beth Philip

This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ, the Word

Sermon:

The Rev'd Jim Neilson

Intercessions:

Christine Neilson

Then turn to service page 418 in your NZ prayer book

Offertory Hymn: Lord We Come To Ask Your Healing

Closing Hymn: Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

Sending Forth: Go now to love and serve the Lord; go now in peace.
Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

1 Blessed Assurance

Refrain:

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long.*

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine:
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God;
Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Saviour am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Frances Jane van Alstyne, 1820-191

2 Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto
you;
allelu, alleluia.

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

You shall not live by bread alone,
but by ev'ry word
that proceeds from the mouth of God;
allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find;
knock, and it shall be opened unto you;
allelu, alleluia.

*Karen Lafferty arr. Adrian Vernon Fish
C. 1972 Maranatha Music*

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3 Lord We Come To Ask Your Healing

Lord, we come to ask your healing,
teach us of love;
all unspoken shame revealing,
teach us of love;
take our selfish thoughts and actions,
petty feuds, divisive factions,
hear us now to You appealing,
teach us of love.

Sooth away our pain and sorrow,
hold us in love;
grace we cannot buy or borrow,
hold us in love;
though we see but dark and danger,
though we spurn both friend and stranger,
though we often dread tomorrow,
hold us in love.

When the bread is raised and broken,
fill us with love;
words of consecration spoken,
fill us with love.
As our grateful prayers continue,
make the faith that we have in You
more than just an empty token,
fill us with love.

Help us live for one another, bind us in love;
stranger, neighbour, father, mother-
bind us in love. All are equal at Your table,
through Your spirit make us able
to embrace as sister, brother,
Bind us in love.

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4 Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to His feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me His praise should sing?
Alleluia, Alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise Him still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless;
Alleluia, Alleluia,
glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us,
well our feeble frame He knows;
in His hands He gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
widely as His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore Him;
ye behold Him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before Him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.

Leonard Blake; H F Lyte

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Ministry Team

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Sanctuary Guild: Vivienne Baggaley, Denise Norris **Morning Tea:** Denise Norris

Te Puru: The Rev'd Catherine Mackereth

Prayer Needs

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." Psalm 106:1.

Please pray for fine weather and good attendance for our gala next Saturday!

Give thanks for The Rev'd David Cooper's surgery & pray for a speedy recovery.

Pray also for David Juby, Ken Hayhurst, Betty McCarthy, Diana Cox & our parishioners who cannot be with us today.

Parish Community News

The GALA is almost upon us! We still need volunteers to drop info brochures into letter-boxes while out walking. Please see Denise, Sue or Sharon in office.

New Giving Envelopes

now available at the back of the church. 8 sets of envelopes are available if you wish to "give" this way. Please contact office for details.

Parish AGM

Sunday 25th November following the morning Service in the Church.

This week 18th-25th November

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

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

Office Open: Tues, Wed & Frid - 9am—1pm

Sun: 9:30am service at St George's - NZ Eucharist

Sunday 25th November

First Reading: 2 Sam 23:1-7

Raewyn Grey

Psalm: 132:1-12

Second Reading/The Epistle: Rev 1:4b-8

Lyn Wilson

Third Reading/The Gospel: John 18:33-37

Christine Neilson

President:

The Rev'd Catherine Mackereth

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