



Richmond Parish News

Sunday 21 April 2019



Theme: The work of the Transformation continues through the Resurrected Presence
Priest in Charge: Revd. Ian Smith
Preacher: Revd. Jeff Odhiambo
Readings: Acts 10:34-43; Luke 24:1-12

Sentence:

I was pressed, pressed, about to fall, but Yahweh came to my help; Yahweh is my strength and my song, he has been my saviour
- Psalm 118:13-14 Jerusalem Bible

Prayer for the day:

Alleluia, King Eternal; death cannot contain your glory, nor our mind confine this mystery: give us faith's insight; free us from all fear; and release in

us the Risen Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



A Note from the Curate...

Good Morning, thank you for the warm welcome last week. My family and I are very happy to be here worshipping with you. And thank you Revd Ian Smith and the leadership team for making this opportunity possible.

Have you been in a situation, can you call to mind a time when you found yourself changing your mind? Why is changing our mind so difficult? There is a writer, his name is Seth Godin. He tends to focus on creativity and particularly he focuses on marketing. I remember reading a blog post he wrote in 2014 and the blog post was titled: What does it sound like when you change your mind?

"Nineteen years ago, shortly after I hired Mark Hurst to join the team at my internet start-up Yoyodyne, I turned to him and said, "I don't think the web makes sense". This was the most expensive mistake I ever made. At the time, we were working with AOL, CompuServe and other online services. The web was in its infancy, and I notoriously said, "It is just like Prodigy, but slower and with no business

model." It took me eighteen months to change my mind. Actually, that's not true. It took me about five minutes to change my mind, after eighteen months of being wrong. I still remember how it felt to feel that flip switch in my head.

This is one of the assets of youth, and something that's worth seeking out and maintaining. That flip, the ability, when confronted with a world that doesn't match the world in your head, to say, "wait, maybe I was wrong." We're not good at that.

Science brings us overwhelming data about the truth of washing hands before surgery, of the age and origin of species, about the efficacy of placebos, and the natural instinct is to push those facts away, rather than find that moment where we can shift our thinking.

If you needed to, could you argue passionately for that thing you don't believe in today? Could you imagine walking over to the other side of the new argument, to once again hear that sound? That is the essential skill of thriving in a world that's changing fast."

Happy Easter!

Arohanui,

Jeff

Church open for Prayer - The Church is *not* open for prayer this Monday 22 April. Prayer resumes on Monday 29 April from 9.00am - 2.00pm.

Preserves - Many thanks for all the jars. No more needed at present thanks. There is some black boy peach sauce and chutney for sale. These are new recipes, so I would be most grateful for feedback. Many thanks for your support for missions in buying these. *Shiona*.

Honey - Building Fundraiser. 500gm \$7.50/1kg \$15.00 /2kg \$25. Contact Anne Askin Ph.542 3284.

Bishop Installation - The service of ordination and installation of Steve Maina as Bishop of Nelson will take place on Saturday 31 August at 9.30am at Christ Church Cathedral, Nelson. Bishop Elect Steve has advised that a considerable contingent from Kenya will be arriving to help celebrate his ordination as Bishop.

AAW Evening Group - Meeting at 7.30pm Thursday 25 April in the Church. The speaker is Colleen Wilson. All women are welcome. Any queries to Ivy Price Ph. 544 5405.

Anglican Missions Lenten Appeal 2019 - The Lenten Appeal is an opportunity to give to specific needy projects during the season of Lent. Traditionally, these projects have been in the Middle East but this year a project from Polynesia has also been included. The three projects are:

1. Christ Anglican School in Nazareth, a school with 1,100 students from kindy to secondary, needs a new central audio system to improve internal communication between departments and for use in emergencies. The system will allow messages and announcements to be made to the whole school or to a particular room.
2. Holy Land Institute for the Deaf in Salt, Jordan provides educational opportunities for deaf, hard-of-hearing and deaf-blind children. Funding will assist in outreach services to provide information, training for families, students and professionals supporting these children and young people.

3. Water for All Fiji. It is surprising to learn that some communities in our near neighbour, Fiji, do not have reliable water supplies. This project aims to procure and install water tanks in five small rural communities in Vanua Levu and to provide more tanks for Holy Trinity School in Suva.

Lenten Appeal envelopes are available in the pews or you can use your existing giving envelopes and ensure in each case you designate which of the three projects you would like to support. Further details are available on www.angmissions.org.nz/lent

Afternoon AAW Group - The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 24 April at 1.30pm at the back of the Church. Rev Gary Clover will give an illustrated talk entitled "Cruising in New Zealand Fiordland". Afternoon tea will follow. Please bring a small plate to share if convenient. There will be a Sales Table and a box for any contributions to the Food Bank. (Note: There is already an abundance of tins of fruit.) Any new members are most welcome to attend. Enquiries to Jean McConachie 544 6921.

Prayers for the Week

The World - We pray for the troubled country of Venezuela that there will be a peaceful and just solution to the political crisis, and that the solution will be one the Venezuelan people themselves chose. We also pray for peace for the troubled nations of Libya, Syria and Sudan, especially Sudan as it seeks to right the wrongs of the previous government. May there be a new freedom granted to Sudanese Christians to proclaim your gospel freely and openly. We also continue to pray for those in refugee camps in the Middle East, Africa and Asia. Foster the efforts of all who seek to bring food, shelter, medical aid, and schooling for the children, especially those affected by the recent cyclone in South East Africa.

Missions - We thank you for Lyn Ashby and her commitment to you as she has gone to the Middle East to an area which is trying to recover from terrible violence. Help her to settle into her new environment, to become quickly aware of the needs of the people and the cultural mores. Help her to feel at one with the YWAM group she has gone to work with. Bless their ministry to that difficult area, granting them your protection, wisdom and enabling.

Diocese - We pray for the Parish of Greymouth and Kumara with Marge Teft and Robin Kingston and their team. We thank you that the earthquake strengthening is complete in Greymouth and that the debt will be paid off by early next year. We pray for the parish as they are awakening to the reality that they are not doing very well in making new disciples of Jesus and so are exploring how to be better disciple-makers in Greymouth. May they follow the Lord's leading and discover how to be the church as he envisioned it.

Local church - We thank you for the faithful ministry of Spring Grove Church of Christ over the years and we pray that new families will join the church. Bless and encourage the small congregation, especially the one recovering from a recent cycle accident. Help them to remain faithful to the gospel and yet willing to step out in faith as they hear your word.

Parish - We pray for Jeff Odhiambo, his wife Alicia and their children Elle and Miles, as he starts with us as our curate. Help them to settle in well among us, and to quickly grasp our needs and aspirations as a church. We thank you for Ian Smith that he has been willing to mentor Jeff and pray that he will be blessed and encouraged as he ministers among us.

We thank you for Sarah Clover and pray you will bless her as she gets to grips with all the facets of her role as Senior's worker in this parish. Help her to quickly grasp who does what and where there are gaps and opportunities in this important ministry.

Raise up we pray, someone with a God inspired passion for working with children and families that we might see growth in this area.

We thank you for progress on the new building. We thank you for the day of giving and further gifts that have been given. We ask your blessing on further funding applications that have been submitted to reduce our financial shortfall.

Those in need: For those we know who are suffering at this time, may they know your peace, comfort and healing. We pray particularly for those who mourn the loss of close family. All these prayers we ask in the name of Jesus, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

This Week...

Tuesday 23 April

10.00am Fortnightly Women's Group (B Page)
10.00am Fortnightly Bible Study Group (E Erskine)
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S Frengley)

Wednesday 24 April

10.00am Holy Communion
12.00pm 2nd & 4th Wednesday Group (J South)
1.30pm AAW Afternoon Group (J McConachie)

Thursday 25 April

12.00pm Weekly Study group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)
7.30pm AAW Evening Group (I Price)

Sunday 28 April

9.00am Morning Worship
10.30am Holy Communion

Coming up...

Tuesday 7 May

11.30am Lunch on the Hill (Salvation Army Hall)

Sunday 12 May

7.00pm Taizé Service

St Albans' Appleby Services

10.30am Sunday 28 April

Morning Prayer

Leader: Rev Fergus Capie

10.30am Sunday 12 May

Holy Communion

Leader: Rev Peter Bean

If you wish to give financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our bank account number is:
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Roster for 28 April *Thank you for serving us all!*

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| Leader: | 9.00am | John Palmer | 10.30am | Jean Palmer |
| Reader: | 9.00am | S Frengley, M Reynolds | 10.30am | L Milligan, T Summerfield |
| Sidesperson | 9.00am | J Lines | 10.30am | M Ross |
| Welcomer: | 9.00am | S Entwistle | 10.30am | S Milligan |
| Chalice: | 9.00am | N/A | 10.30am | J Green, M Ross, E/D Stanger |
| Tea: | D Martin | | | |
| Flowers: | A Green | | Crèche | S Milligan |

Theme for Next Sunday: Redeemed to make Jesus visible

Readings for Next Sunday: Acts 5: 27-32; John 20: 19-31

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