



Church on the Hill

Sunday 27 July 2014



Theme: Transfiguration - Who do you say that I am?
Vicar: Susan Gill
Preacher: Bishop Richard Ellena
Readings: Exodus 24:1-4, Mark 9:2-8

Sentence:

A voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy. Listen to him."
Matthew 17:5

Prayer for the day:

God of glory, you gave the vision of your Son to those who watched on the mountain; grant that by our glimpses of him we may be changed into his glorious likeness. **Amen**

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



A wider family...

Today we welcome our Bishop Richard and Hilary into our midst. It is special to belong to the Anglican family in this Diocese of Nelson.

The Anglican heritage is something to be valued. Much of our liturgy, the work of the people, comes directly from Scripture. Some of the earliest recorded prayers and services in history form a vital part of the services contained in our New Zealand Prayer Book along with some new indigenous material.

Did you know that many countries envy our prayer book? It seems that the use of our own Te Reo is an example to many original people groups around the world.

Speaking of Te Reo, you will be aware that this week has been Maori Language Week. In this bi-centennial year of the Gospel coming to Aotearoa, it is entirely appropriate that we celebrate the taonga (treasure) that Te Reo is to our Treaty partners, the Maori people. Te

Reo can also enrich Pakeha if we allow it to.

As we worship together this day, and each week, let's continue to focus on our Heavenly Father's Son, whom He loves. Let's listen to him through God's Word, Bishop Richard, our church leaders, each other and directly as the Holy Spirit speaks to us each day.

I commend to you the CMS dinner being held at All Saints on Saturday night 2 August. Mark Grace is a great speaker who will have some worthwhile and very interesting things to say about Maori and Pakeha history. Some of what we have heard in the past has been misleading. We need to hear how Maori and Missionary worked together for the Gospel.

The dinner kicks off our own Mission Month. We have many exciting things happening beginning with Allan and Christine coming to us in the first week and the Corin's for the fourth Sunday. There are several other opportunities to hear more about overseas mission through the month. They will be publicised very soon.

Lots of love

Susan

Kids - This Sunday Mariann, Carol and Kay will be in charge of KC. Our theme for the next four weeks is *Welcome to God's forever family where everyone is accepted*.

New Songs Practice - No new songs practice in July.

Building Fundraiser Honey - 500gms \$7.00, 1kg \$13.00, 2kgs \$25.00. If you want to order Honey ring Anne Askin 544 9059 or see her between the Sunday services.

Pastoral Care - There are some older people who may appreciate help with practical tasks around the house such as getting firewood in, etc. If you are able to help with this or if you are an older person who would appreciate this sort of help, please contact Kay in the office on Wednesday and Thursday Ph. 544 8844

Parents/Grandparents- Sue Fallows, the new child enabler of the Diocese is presenting a discussion/talk on *Children and Prayer* at St Stephens, Tahunanui on Wednesday 30 July from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. Meal included and it's free. Let me know you're interested. Ingrid Ph. 544 4917

Food Bank - With winter heating costs up some people are needing food bank support. Supplies in our church banks are very low, so donations of non-perishable food would be welcome. Suitable gifts could include tea, coffee, sugar, rice, breakfast cereals, milk powder, tinned food, jam, honey, spreads etc and supermarket vouchers. Donations can be left in the basket at the front door. Thank-you. Alice Burrough.

BTC Sunday - This Sunday 27th July is BTC Sunday although many parishes choose to promote and give BTC a mention on another Sunday of the year. This week we are back to 'school' with the start of Semester 2. Studying this semester we have in 36 in Nelson, 5 in Marlborough studying Theology Intro, 5 in Wellington studying Missional and Pastoral and 8 in Greymouth studying Old Testament. We look forward to seeing our students grow in God and a large Graduation in December.



Children's Programme

The toy box and baby change facilities are available anytime at the rear of the Church. Children are welcome to attend one of the following during the 10.30 sermon time:

- Kids' Church under 5's in the crèche.
- Kids' Church primary school age in the church hall and younger youth (Yr 7 to Yr 11) in Youth Room in the hall.

Prayers for the Week

Our World: We continue to pray for both the safety and the return of the over 200 school-girls abducted in Nigeria, we will not give up praying for peace and justice to be established in Israel, Gaza, Syria, Ukraine, the Central African Republic, South Sudan and northern Nigeria; we pray for the safe departure of Meriam Yehya Ibrahim from Sudan; we also pray for the beleaguered Christians in Iraq where in 2003 there were 1.5 million but now are estimated to number about 200,000; may God help us as we hear of all the suffering in the world to think clearly, feel deeply and act justly.

Our Mission Partners: We pray for Murray and Fay Cotter in Albania; bless their work in church planting and administration and encourage the young believers in Albania.

Our Diocese: We pray for the Parish of Golden Bay for Ian and Karen Thatcher and their team; we thank You for the growth and depth of faith over the past few years and for the continued increase in financial support over recent months; may these trends continue; we pray that the date for surgery on Ian's tumour will be soon and be 100% successful. We also remember the Awatere Parish with Dawn and their team as they see St. Andrews demolished, may they see the church grow. We also commit the congregation of Christchurch Cathedral to You as they mourn the loss of Dean Lynda Patterson.

Our Local Area: We pray for Richmond Baptist Church with David and Evelyn McBride, the transitional pastors, bless the work among the children and youth and may the Church be a blessing to the local community..

Our Church: We believe we are to hold Messy church monthly and are looking to God to supply another team of people with the right gifts and a passion for outreach to children and families; we pray that You will continue to smooth the path of the new building resource consent through the TDC and provide the finance.

Those in special need: we remember Caroline, George, Carole Burke, Carol Frater, Noel, Wendy, Grant, Rex Senior (St Albans), Alan, Dorothy, Erica (Shirley Jackson's niece), Ruben (Kay's grandson), Lisa and Fiona (St Albans), and Ellie, others known to us, and those in the rest homes and hospitals in our parish.

This Week...

Monday 28 July

9.00am Church Open for Prayer
7.30pm Fortnightly women's group (S. Frengley)
7.30pm Weekly group (K. Peterson)

Tuesday 29 July

10.00am Fortnightly group (J. Payne)
10.00am Weekly group (M. Silke)
7.30pm Fortnightly group
7.30pm Prayers for Church and World (Office)

Wednesday 30 July

10.00am Fortnightly women's group (N. Thomas)
10.00am Wednesday Service

Thursday 31 July

12 noon Weekly lunch time study group
(W Wilkinson)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J. Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N. Pritchard)

Sunday 3 August

9.00am Holy Communion*
10.30am Holy Communion*

**Morning Tea between services in the Hall*

Coming up...

August - Missions Month
October - Re-Source at Church on the Hill
See Noticeboard for details

*For more information about services or groups
contact the office Ph 544 8844.*

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 13 July Holy Communion

Sunday 27 July Morning Service

If you wish to give financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our bank account number is: 03 0751 0146369 001 Westpac Richmond

Roster for 3 August *Thank you for serving us all!*

Service Leader: 9.00am O Haring

10.30am S Gill

Welcomer: 9.00am J Lines

10.30am L Blackmore

Tea: P Cotton, J Martin

Chalice: 9.00am B Payne, E Erskine 10.30am V McNaughton, C Robinson
H Thomson

Flowers: N Thomas

Brass: M Evans

Readings for Next Sunday: Psalm 84, Ephesians 3:14-19

Theme for Next Sunday: Spiritual Hunger

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