



Church on the Hill

Sunday 9 September 2018



Theme: Faith seen through Works: Faithfulness to God made visible
Priest in Charge: Ian Smith
Preacher: Ian Smith
Readings: Mark 7:24 - 37, James 2:1 - 10

Sentence:

If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbour as yourself," you are doing right. - James 2:8

Prayer for the day:

Healing God,
You speak into the hurting and wounded places;
empower us to speak your vision of wholeness,
and turn us to action in the face of injustice,

that empowered by the Spirit we may be agents of
your healing love,
In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
Amen

Following Jesus, Building Community

Reflections...



From the Priest-in-Charge...

A very warm welcome to our services of worship today!

Our theme this morning addresses that all important topic of faith, which is often understood as the things God is capable of doing or being. For example: faith that God will be with us in dark places; that God will heal us; that God would save our children; or that God would look after the poor. And indeed this is part of faith, but how faith manifests itself amongst us is what really interests the apostle James.

God dwells in a body, which you and I are a part of and the most important reason for this, by far,

is so God's very self might through this body, be disclosed to the world. This is what the Jewish community, which James was elder over, was struggling to find. They still thought God was only interested in Jews. Healthy Jews who had good jobs and lots of social prestige.

Now James faces them up with real reason Jesus came. To make God visible to all the world. And to do this they need to see the mercy, and grace, the faithfulness, the forgiveness and the extravagant steadfast love of God demonstrated to the whole creation. This is the main task he gives each one of us the faith to do...

Arohanui

Ian

(Priest in Charge)

Church open for Prayer - The Church is open for prayer each Monday (except public holidays) from 9.00am - 2.00pm. All welcome.

St Albans 150 Years Celebration - Celebrations are on the last weekend of November. If you are interested in helping with or attending the celebrations please contact the office.

Preserves - Thank you to those who gave feedback on the latest lime preserves. This year's first batches have been bitter. Bit of a puzzle as I used the same recipe as last year. I have made some more lime and lemon marmalade, if you tried the first lot could you please take (don't pay) some of the new batch and give me feedback on this. Guinea pigs don't have to pay!! Thank you for your support of this fundraiser for missions.

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

Containers Wanted - Lunch on the Hill could do with some more containers to use to give people left over food. Any donations please leave at back of church for Yvonne, thank you.

Shoe Box Appeal - A big thanks for all the wonderful gifts coming in for the children. A great selection! We will be packing them up at this month's AAW Meeting in the Church starting at 6.00pm on Thursday 27 September. Anyone is welcome to come and help; it's a fun night. The Boxes will be Blessed in a combined service in October. The last day for the boxes to be in is the Labour Weekend Combined Service on Sunday 21 October before they start their journey. Thank you. Coordinator: Dawn Martin. Cell 021 177 3312 or email: dawngarymartin@gmail.com

Time Capsule - The time draws nearer to putting the floor down for the new building. How exciting is this! Vestry are very interested in putting down a Time Capsule to record events and people of the here and now. Would you like to spear head this? You would need to: Be interested in history and people / Be creative in finding appropriate resources / Be consultative and have the ability to make decisions about what to include and what to leave out. Please see David in the office or any Vestry member if you are interested in this. (Anne Askin, Laurie D'Egganeh, Kai Kruse, Dave Pritchard, Michaela Ross, Karl Summerfield or Dave Trigg)

Church Side Door Repair - Tomorrow Monday 10 September the side door to the church will be removed for repair and refurbishment. This will take a week and a temporary lockable door will be installed until the repaired door is re-installed. The repairs will cost \$4000 but are essential to weatherproof the church. Any donations towards this would be appreciated. Please mark your contribution *Church Door*. Thanks

Celebration - 175th Celebration of German Settlement and the Lutheran Church of New Zealand. 20 & 21 October (Labour Weekend 2018) Registrations now open. For info: (03) 54 32 839 or tinyurl.com/UMO175 or email: germansarau175@gmail.com

Urgent request - Ellie Nichols who is one of our valued office volunteers is very sick with pneumonia. She has two teenage boys living with her. Some folk have already made meals for her, for which she is very grateful. I am visiting her on Tuesday with some food from the church. If you are able to make a meal and drop it around to her, after Tuesday, I know she would be very grateful. I put the bit about the teenage boys in to give you an idea of quantity!! Her number is 027 723 9136, 20 Forget Me Not Lane. Many, many thanks, Yvonne.

The Ambient - A city wide night of worship and encounter tonight, Sunday 9 September - 7.30pm at St Barnabas, Stoke. A night to simply be in God's presence, to rest, refresh and renew. Music led by the Ambient band and guests. All welcome



WARNING

**Burn
Hazard**

Under seat heaters are on during services.
Please do not touch - *they are hot!*

Prayers for the Week

God's World - We thank you Lord for the ceasefire in Libya, we pray that those involved to would continue to seek peace. We pray for all those affected by the typhoon in Japan. Bless the efforts to rescue and restore, and give all those involved hope and may your love and generosity abound.

Mission Partners - Thank you Lord for Dawn completing another successful term as a teacher of English at Talua, her growing strength and energy and the blessing of Steve Mania's visit. We pray that she will through your strength Lord successfully complete her teaching year and be open to all the ministry opportunities that occur. We pray that Dawn may know the next step You have for her.

Diocese - We thank you for the ministry of the Dean, Mike Hawke, and the team at the Cathedral, guide and support them that their ministries may be fruitful. We pray that each person in the parish will seek the Lord; asking God to reveal His Word to them. Dear Lord raise up more helpers and teachers for our children's and intermediate age ministries, and inspire this your church family to care for all those in need.

Our Community - We thank you for the ministry of Peter Somervell and his team at Grace Church. We thank you for their passion for your Word. Strengthen all their ministries, may those involved by your Spirit come know and action your Word, and become salt and light. We thank you for the Free Store in Wellington, and their ministry to the destitute and homeless. Guide and inspire all who are part of this venture. We thank you for this example of using food and other items that would otherwise go to waste. If it is your will Lord that we should have a similar venture here inspire and encourage those with the gifts to make it happen.

Our Parish - In the name of Jesus we ask that you bless Josh and all the members of the Youth Group. May they thirst for your word Lord, and shine out your love into this world. We pray for all the students at Waimea College, we ask that you bless them and the 24/7 team who bring your love in action to their place of study. Guide the staff and students to make this a safe place to learn and be cared for. For those in distress and facing mental health challenges, protect them Lord from the destructive impulses. Help us all Lord, the whole community to show them their worth and importance to us.

In our parish we pray for Margaret Silke, Debbie and Dave, Murray and Bev, Ellie and for those known to us who are struggling with health challenges, may they know your shalom.

This Week...

Monday 10 September

9.00am Church open for Prayer
9.30am Friends 'n Fun

Tuesday 11 September

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 12 September

10.00am Wednesday Service
12.00pm *Ticking the Boxes* - Fashion Show at Wakefield Church

Thursday 13 September

9.30am Friends 'n Fun
12.00pm Weekly Study group (W Wilkinson, J Lines)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (J Palmer)
7.30pm Fortnightly group (N Pritchard)

Sunday 16 September

10.00am Combined Holy Communion Service

Coming up...

Tuesday 18 September

11.30am *Lunch on the Hill* - Salvation Army Hall

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

St Albans' Appleby Services 10.30am

Sunday 9 September Holy Communion

Sunday 23 September Morning Prayer

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

Roster for 16 September - *Thank you for serving us all!*

Leader: 10.00am I Price
Reader: 10.00am J Green, M Gibson
Sidesperson 10.00am J Green
Welcomer: 10.00am N Pritchard
Chalice: 10.00am I Price, N Pritchard, M Tilley, E/D Stanger
Tea: G Bevernage, E Epoi
Flowers: S Clover **Crèche** G Thomson

Theme for Next Sunday: No Other Gods
Readings for Next Sunday: Exodus 20:1 - 3, Luke 15:13 - 17

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10.00am - 5.30pm
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