



Waiapu Cathedral of St John the Evangelist

ORDER OF SERVICE - 15TH DECEMBER 2019 – 3RD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

This morning's service follows the Eucharistic Liturgy '**Thanksgiving for Creation and Redemption**' commencing on **page 456** in the **New Zealand Prayer Book**.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Today's services will be held in the baptistery

Theme: "Advent Joy & Blue Christmas"

PRAYERFUL SILENCE BEFORE THE SERVICE BEGINS IS A DISCIPLINE
THAT ALLOWS ALL TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

8.00am Eucharist The Rev'd Eric Fairbrother

10.00am Eucharist with hymns

Presider: Dean Ian Render

Preacher: The Rev'd Eric Fairbrother

Liturgist: Jennifer Harris

Director of Music: Anthony Tattersall *with Charlotte Tattersall and Richard Harris*

Communion Setting: Bill Bennett

Anthem – Panis Angelicus – Franck

Bidding for Advent 3:

The ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Mount Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. *Isaiah 35:10*

Advent Candle lighting responses on the white insert

Ormond Chapel

Christmas Day Eucharist, 9.00am

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and, if necessary, adjust hearing aids to the "Loop" system.*

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *Wild and lone the prophet's voice*

1. Wild and lone the prophet's voice echoes through the desert still, calling us to make a choice, bidding us to do God's will:
2. "Turn from sin and be baptized; cleanse your heart and mind and soul. Quitting all the sins you prized, yield your life to God's control.
3. "Bear the fruit repentance sows: lives of justice, truth and love. Trust no other claim than those; set your heart on things above.
4. Soon the Lord will come in power, burning clean the threshing floor: then will flames the chaff devour; wheat alone shall fill God's store."
5. With such preaching, stark and bold, John proclaimed salvation near, and his timeless warnings hold words of hope to all who hear.
6. So we dare to journey on, led by faith through ways untrod, till we come at last like John to behold the Lamb of God.

Words: Carl P Daw Jr. Tune: HEINLEIN (CP 95)

NZPB page: **456-7 Welcome and gathering**

NZPB page: **458 Preparation; then all sing "Come now O Prince of Peace"**
followed by Confession & Absolution

**Come now, O Prince of Peace, make us one body,
Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.**

Come and restore the life of the earth. Help us to do our part.

**Come now, O God of love, make us one body,
come O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.**

Come and bring shelter to all the displaced. Help us to do our part.

**Come now and set us free, O God, our Saviour,
come O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.**

Come and bring justice to all the oppressed. Help us to do our part.

**Come, Hope of unity, make us one body,
come. O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.**

*Words & music by Geonyong Lee
Cantor's part added by Waiapu Cathedral
Tune: O SO SO (S. Korea)*

Collect: Let us pray that we may attune our lives to the prophets' message:

**God of the unexpected,
your ways are not our ways.**

**Open our ears to the prophets you send,
help us to hear the good news from unforeseen messengers.**

**Empower us to join the healing work of the one whose coming draws near,
and who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever. Amen.**

Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-10 Alison Thomson

Anthem: Come Lord Jesus - Bill Bennett

Reading: James 5: 7-10 Hugo Powrie

GOSPEL HYMN: *My soul is filled with joy*

1. My soul is filled with joy
as I sing to God my saviour:
you have looked upon your servant,
you have visited your people.

(Refrain)

*And holy is your name
through all generations!
Everlasting is your mercy
to the people you have chosen,
and holy is your name.*

2. I am lowly as a child,
but I know from this day forward
that my name will be remembered,
and the world will call me blessed. ...

3. I proclaim your power, my God,
you do marvels for your servants;

though you scatter the proud-hearted
and destroy the might of princes. ...

4. To the hungry you give food,
send the rich away empty.
In your mercy you are mindful
of the people you have chosen. ...

5. In your love you now fulfill
what you promised to your people.
I will praise you, O my saviour,
everlasting is your mercy.
*And holy is your name
through all generations!
Everlasting is your mercy
to the people you have chosen,
and holy is your name.*

*Magnificat, paraphrase unknown.
Tune: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME*

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11: 2-11

Jennifer Harris

The Sermon: The Rev'd Erice Fairbrother

An Affirmation of Faith: *(said together)*

**We believe in God,
creator and lover of the earth,
origin and destiny of us all.**

**We believe in Jesus, the Christ—
God coming to us
in the fragile promise
of a baby yet unborn—
who emerges as the herald of hope,
God's laughter in the face of despair.
Plunged into death and hell,
he broke free the captives,
and is leading the way
to the land of promise
where justice and peace will flourish.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who implants the seed of truth,
brings us to birth as the body of Christ,
and empowers us to
confront and transform**

**all that is corrupt,
degrading and deceitful.**

**We believe in the coming reign of God.
Announced by the Baptist,
it has drawn near to us in Jesus,
and will be consummated
in the glorious marriage
of earth and heaven,
when all who have passed
through the world's deep sorrow
will be raised from the waters,
robed in righteousness,
and gathered into
the joyous fulfilment of God's desire.**

**For the coming of that day on this day,
we work and pray:**

Come, Lord Jesus, Come!

*— written by Nathan Nettleton, and
posted on his Laughingbird website.*

ZPB page: 462-5 **The Prayers of the People** Jenny & Philip Baker

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

NZPB page: 466 **The Peace**

Dean Ian Render

We greet the people near us, saying 'Peace be with you' or 'Kia tau te rangimarie'.

The organ introduces the Offertory Hymn and the bread and wine, symbols of Christ's life, are brought to the altar; donations to the Food Bank are presented, and our offerings of money to support the mission and ministry of the Cathedral are collected, along with pledges made via electronic banking

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Christ be our light*

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Christ be...*

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Christ be...*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. *Christ be...*

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
so that your reign may come.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

Bernadette Farrell (Words and music)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE INVITATION

Please advise an usher if you need to have communion served in your seat

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Cont'd overleaf

It is right indeed that we should praise you,
God of love, our source and our fulfilment,
for you create all things,
and in you we live and move
and have our being.
Your wonder is manifest
in land and sea and sky.

When the times had at last grown full
and the earth had ripened in abundance,
you made us in your image for yourself.

And even though we turn from you,
again and again you call us to yourself,
and in every age, promise liberation.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own
to rear them in your way of compassionate love.
From your own being you sent Jesus among us,
incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and born of Mary our sister.

Jesus revealed your care for all you have made,
and showed us your way of reconciliation.
Looking forward to the joy of new life
Jesus suffered the pangs of the cross
and in rising again
became the firstborn
of the renewed whanau / family.

You sent your Holy Spirit
and gave birth to us your church.
Your Spirit stays to nurture and to guide us.

Now we join hands around your table,
and with all creation
we hymn your praise for your unending love,
as we sing (say),

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

To you indeed be glory, almighty God,
because on the night before he died,
your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
when he had given 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;
when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them and said:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood
poured out for you;
do this as often as you drink it
to remember me.

And so in this great sacrament
we celebrate and proclaim
the mystery of our faith.

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come in glory.**

Therefore, loving God,
recalling now Christ's death and resurrection,
we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration,
that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son
and be filled with your life and goodness.
Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your body in the world.
Unite us in Christ and give us your peace.

Through your Holy Spirit, burning as a flame, gentle as a dove,
may we who receive these gifts live lives of justice, love, and prayer,
and be a voice for those who are not heard.

In union with your whole church
we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
here and everywhere, now and forever. Amen.**

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki, ka inoi tātou

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āianeī
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria,
Āke ake ake. Āmine.**

The priest breaks the bread.

Silence may be kept.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.**

Come, God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food. /
Haere mai e te kahui a te Atua, tangohia enei kai rangatira a te Karaiti.

All those who seek Christ in the sacrament are welcome to this table.

Post Communion hymn *In suffering love*

In suffering love the thread of life
is woven through our care,
for God is with us, not alone
our pain and toil we bear.

There is a rock, a place secure
within the storm's cold blast;
concealed within the suffering night
God's covenant stands fast.

In love's deep womb our fears are held;
there God's rich tears are sown
and bring to birth, in hope new-born,
the strength to journey on.

Then to our hearts your joy commit,
into our hands your pain;
and send us out to touch the world
with blessings in your name.

In suffering love our God comes now,
hope's vision born in gloom;
with tears and laughter
shared and blessed
the desert yet will bloom.

Rob Johns, adapted – Tune: WILTSHIRE

Prayer after Communion

**Give us courage, God our strength,
to see your Christ in all who suffer,
to be hands to the helpless,
food for the hungry,
and rescue for the oppressed.**

We share notices and news

Recessional hymn: *Sing with joy you Advent people*

Sing with joy, you Advent people!
Hopeful hearts inspire your song.
Fill the Earth with alleluias
for the wait will not be long.

Refrain:

Joy... fully sing with exultation!

Joy... fully sing with exultation!

Draw with joy the springing waters
Bursting from the Well of God.
See the wondrous Gift of Heaven,
Key of David, Jesse's Rod.

Joy... fully sing with exultation!

Joy... fully sing with exultation!

Shout with joy, O Daughter Zion!
Sing aloud, Jerusalem!

Now your God is coming nearer.

Sorrow's time is at an end.

Joy... fully sing with exultation!

Joy... fully sing with exultation!

Words: David Wood, used by permission

Tune: IRIS - Traditional French Carol

"Les Anges Dans Nos Campagnes"

Dismissal:

Grace be with you.

Thanks be to God.

Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Organ Voluntary

*You are warmly invited to join us for a cup
of tea or coffee
served at the back of the Cathedral*

9.00am - Tuesday-Friday Morning prayer

10.30am - Thursday Mid-week Eucharist in the Resurrection Chapel

12.00pm - Midday prayer- Every Wednesday

Upcoming events at the Cathedral

- ♦ **13,14,15th December**—Napier Civic Choir concerts
- ♦ **22nd December** -Traditional Festival of 9 Lessons and Carols (7.00pm)
- ♦ **24th December**– Christmas Eve nativity service (6.30pm)
- ♦ **24th December**– Christmas midnight service (11.15pm)
- ♦ **21st January**– NZ Secondary School Choir
- ♦ **16th February**– Waiapu Cathedral’s annual AGM

Services continue at 8.00am & 10.00am after Christmas

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*Deadline for notices to be included in this
bulletin: **Wednesdays, noon.***

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

22 December 2019 - Advent 4

... at the Cathedral ...

8.00 am - Eucharist (Aotearoa Chapel)

10.00 am - Choral Eucharist

... at Ormond Chapel ...

No service

Readings

Isa 7: 10-16

Psalms 80: 1-7, 17-19

Romans 1: 1-7

Matthew 1: 18-25

NOTICES

- ◆ **Napier Community Christmas Lunch**– because no has to be alone on Christmas. Salvation Army Hall, 56 Tait drive, Greenmeadows. From 12 noon, lunch served at 12.30pm.
Please let us know if you, or someone you know would like to be there. Text or phone 027 338 3591 or 021 201 8830
or phone 845 3547 or e-mail: napiercommunitychristmaslunch@gmail.com
- ◆ **Foodbank** is short on Canned fish, canned fruit, baked beans, spaghetti, dried pasta, jams and biscuits. For donations of money into our grocery account: the details are– Napier Community Foodbank trust- **020766 0026618 02**
- ◆ **Handyman wanted**– Do you know someone that could help around the church with small odd jobs? Please send Amy an email on office@napiercathedral.org.nz if you can help.
- ◆ The famous musical **GODSPELL** will be performed in the Cathedral on May 29, 30 and 31 next year, with a cast of 10 top local actors – including a couple of our choir members - directed by Kerry Tattersall. Pre-Christmas tickets sales are now available via the Cathedral, so that you can secure your seat. Tickets are \$40 for seats in the first 8 rows of pews, \$20 in the remaining 9 rows. See Philip or Lesley after the service to order your tickets – you can pay using cash or eftpos. Note: Your last opportunity to order these pre-sale tickets via the Cathedral is December 22nd; public sales will open at iTicket in the new year.
- ◆ **Warm thanks** to Alison Thomson for donating the Christmas Tree and to Philip Pridmore and Wendy Probert for decorating it so attractively
- ◆ **Flowers**– Donations of flowers, especially white and Gold would be greatly appreciated at this busy time. If you would like to make a financial donation this can be done at the office or internet banking
[St John's Cathedral Parish - 01 : 0685 : 0138511 : 00](https://www.stjohnscathedral.org.nz) with the reference of 'Flowers'.
- ◆ **Today's Eucharistic Prayer** was devised by Bosco Peters and is reprinted by permission from "Celebrating Eucharist" and is used in accordance with the provisions on p.511 –514 of ANZPB/HKMOA
- ◆ Thanks to Br. **Graeme-Michoel** for devising our Advent wreath based on a suggestion in "Celebrating Eucharist" for a "Southern Cross Advent"
- ◆ Vestry met on Wednesday evening and will meet again on 29 January 2020. Finances are positive at present and we were able to make a donation of \$500 towards the cost of the Community Christmas lunch. Also, Amy's hours are now 30 per week (the same hours as when Margaret was Administrator)