

Sunday Morning 16 August 2020 - OS 20A

The Liturgist reads this sentence

Thus says the Lord, maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. *Isaiah 56.1*

Open our lips, O Lord;
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

This Song of Praise follows

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

1 The Spirit of the Lord God ' is up'on me:
because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good ' tidings ' to the · afflicted.

2 The Lord has sent me to bind up the ' broken-'hearted:
to proclaim liberty for the captives,
and re'lease for ' those in ' prison,

3 to comfort ' all who ' mourn:
to bestow on them a crown of ' beauty · in'stead of ' ashes,

4 the oil of gladness in'stead of ' mourning:
a garment of ' splendour · for the ' heavy ' heart.

5† They shall be called ' trees of ' righteousness:
planted for the ' glory ' of the ' Lord.

6 Therefore I will greatly re'joice · in the ' Lord:
my soul shall ex'ult ' in my ' God,

7 for God has robed me with salvation ' as a ' garment:
and clothed me with in'tegri-ty ' as a ' cloak.

8 For as the earth brings' forth its ' shoots:
and as a garden causes the ' seeds to ' spring ' up,

9 so the Lord God will cause ' righteousness · and ' praise:
to spring ' forth before ' all the ' nations. *Isaiah 61:1-3,10,11*

**Glory to God, Source of Creation, Living Word and Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever, Amen.**

Dean Ian says:

E te whānau a te Karaiti,
let us praise and worship God who has called us together.
Let us celebrate God's majesty,
and delight in the wonder of God's love.
Together we shall confess our sins
and receive assurance that we are forgiven.

As the scriptures are read,
we can allow God's word to speak to us,
and ponder its meaning for our lives.
In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness,
we pray for others as well as for ourselves,
and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do,
because we believe in the presence among us
of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

The Liturgist says

Hear these words of scripture.

Love one another, for love is of God,
and whoever loves is born of God and knows God.
Spirit of God, search our hearts.

The Liturgist then says

In silence let us remember our need for God's forgiveness.

Silence

Let us confess our sins to God.

**God of grace,
we confess that we have sinned,
in what we have thought, and said, and done.
Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Absolution is declared by Dean, saying

God forgives our sins.

May we each know that God pardons us and sets us free.

Amen.

PSALM: 67

Refrain (said by the congregation each time):

***Let the peoples ' praise you · O ' God:
let ' all the ' peoples ' praise you.***

1 Be gracious to us O ' God and ' bless us:
and make the light of your ' face to ' shine up'on us,

2 that your ways may be ' known up·on ' earth:
your saving ' power · a'mong all ' nations.

3 ***Let the peoples ' praise you · O ' God:
let ' all the ' peoples ' praise you.***

4 Let the nations be glad, and ' sing for ' joy:
for you judge the peoples righteously,
and ' guide the ' nations · on ' earth.

5 ***Let the peoples ' praise you · O ' God:
let ' all the ' peoples ' praise you.***

6 The earth has ' yielded · its ' harvest:
and ' you our ' God will ' bless us.

7† Your blessing O God ' be up'on us:
and let all the ' ends · of the ' world re'vere you.

***Let the peoples ' praise you · O ' God:
let ' all the ' peoples ' praise you.***

THE READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES:

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8 *A house of prayer for all peoples*

Silence for reflection

The reader says

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD

1 The steadfast love of the Lord ' never ' ceases:
God's mercies ' never ' come · to an ' end;

2 They are new ' every ' morning:
your ' faithfulness · O ' Lord is ' great.

3 You are ' all · that I ' have:
and ' therefore ' I will ' wait for you.

4 You O Lord are good to ' those who ' wait for you:
to ' all ' those who ' seek you.

5† It is good to ' wait in ' patience:
for the sal'vation ' of the ' Lord.

Lamentations 3:22-26

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as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever, Amen.**

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 15: 21-28 *The faith of a woman of Canaan*

Silence for reflection

The reader says

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Thanks be to God.

YOU ARE WORTHY

1 You are worthy, our ' Lord and ' God:
to receive ' glory · and ' honour · and ' power,

2 for you have cre'ated ' all things:
and by your will

they were cre'ated · and ' have their ' being.

3 You are worthy O Christ, for ' you were ' slain:
and by your blood have ' ransomed ' us for ' God,

4 ransomed us from every tribe and ' people · and ' nation:
and made us a royal ' house of ' priests · to our ' God.

5† To the One who is seated on the throne and ' to the ' Lamb:
be blessing and honour, glory and might,

for ever and ' ever. ' **Amen.** *based on Revelation 4:11;5:9,10,13*

REFLECTION: The Rev'd Dr. Howard Pilgrim

Thanksgivings and Intercessions follow here: The Rev'd Dorothy Brooker

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:

**God of compassion,
you love every person without exception.
Turn our hearts so that we may love our neighbour.
Remove from us everything we use
to exclude our sisters and brothers.
Guard the door of our lips so that what we say
may be worthy of our calling as your people.
Through Jesus Christ our Reconciler,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

THE MORNING COLLECT:

Holy and everliving God,
by your power we are created
and by your love we are redeemed;
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,
that we may give ourselves to your service,
and live each day in love to one another and to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GRACE:

**Kia tau ki a tātou katoa
te atawhai o tō tātou Ariki, o Īhu Karaiti,
me te aroha o te Atua,
me te whiwhinga tahitanga ki te Wairua Tapu,
āke ake ake. Āmine.**

*(The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all. Amen.)*

The congregation is commissioned with these words:

**Haere i runga i te rangimārie i runga i te aroha me te ngākau
hihiko ki te mahi ki te Ariki.**

(Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.)

Āmine. Ka haere mātou i runga i te ingoa o te Karaiti.

(Amen. We go in the name of Christ.)

Please note: We have suspended services in the Cathedral for this Sunday, 16 August only and the Dean and Wardens will make any future decisions based on COVID-19 developments as they arise. We believe our first responsibility is to the health and safety of parishioners and all using the Cathedral buildings. During the original outbreak we decided not to hold services at Level 2 (along with the other Inner City churches).

Cathedral Updates:

✝ **Security**– If you are working in the Cathedral building on your own, please park in the carpark by the main doors. The large carpark in Cathedral Lane is leased from Monday to Saturday, so parking is **only** available on **Sundays**.

✝ **Signing in**– As a requirement of the Diocese, a sign in/out form is located on the table in the fountain entrance. For health and safety, all people in the building (including key holders) outside of service times are required to please sign in and out. If you are entering the building during office hours please check in at the office on arrival.

✝ **Public Forum on Cannabis Referendum** will be held on Sunday 30 August, at the EIT, Lecture Theatre 1 from 2.00pm-4.00pm. The Forum's speakers will come from a range of relevant sectors. The aim of the forum is to help people become better informed, not to tell them which box to tick. (ph): 027 338 3591 (Ruth)

✝ **EJP** is also holding a "**Meet the Candidates**" event the week before, on Sunday 23 August, 2-4 pm at St Paul's Presbyterian church. All Candidates standing for the Napier Electorate have been invited

✝ Are you curious about **Godspace and Godly Play**? Please let Janine know so that you can attend an **introductory workshop**. You can talk with Janine after the service, sign up on the clipboard, email melvillejmn@gmail.com or phone 021 136 3464 or 836 5305.

