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Verger:

A wheelchair, walker and baby changing facilities
are available, please ask for them.

YOUNG CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS

We want children to feel welcome here. There is a basket at the back of the church with bags for pre-schoolers 2+ years of age. They contain items for quiet activities. Feel free to help yourselves to one. We hope this will help you and your family enjoy your Sunday morning worship.



The Waikato Cathedral Church Of St Peter

Sunday 7 December 2008

8.00 am Eucharist

and 9.45 am Choral Eucharist

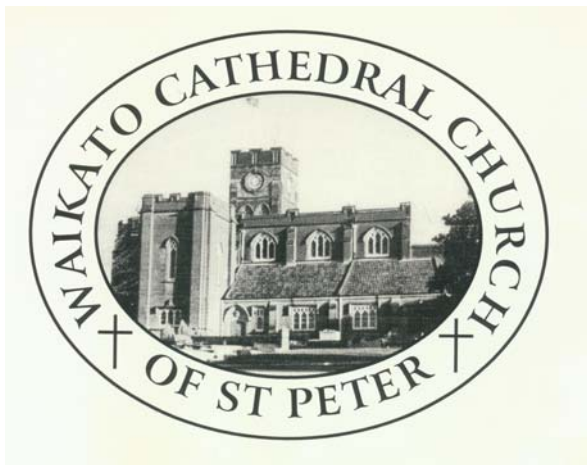
President: The Rev'd Canon Phil Wilson

Preacher: The Dean, Jan Joustra

11.30 am Informal Eucharist

President: The Dean, Jan Joustra

Please join us for refreshments after the morning services



Dear Friends,

Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to make the Advent Twilight Fete the success it was. Money from the Fete is still coming in, but as I reported last week we raised in excess of \$5,500. This money will go into the Arts and Music Festival fund and be used to cover some of the cost of the organ renovation scheduled for next year as well as to cover some of the cost of materials for the new kneelers which are under construction at present.

It is now time to think about the Fete for next year. Last Monday evening a meeting was held to look at the things that went well and the areas we need to improve. Many suggestions were made as to how we can improve the event next year. If you have any ideas, please feel free to speak to myself, Andrea Haines, Min Turnwald or Ann Harlow about them. We want the Fete to continue and so we need to learn from our successes and our failures. One thing that was clear from the meeting last Monday is that we need more people willing to take responsibility for different areas of the Fete so that we can build on our strengths. If you are willing and able to help in any way please contact the above mentioned people.

Blessings Jan

Introduction: My brothers and sisters, we gather on this Second Sunday of Advent to hear the cry of John the Baptist to prepare the way of the Lord. His ministry involved preaching and baptising so mankind could be prepared for the coming Messiah; We who are here this day have been baptised by the Spirit of God and share the new dispensation brought by our Saviour, the Christ.

CALLING ALL THOSE WHO LOVE ORGAN MUSIC

Carlo Curley

American Organist
In
Hamilton

Tuesday 17 February, 2009 at 7.30pm
Cathedral Church of St Peter,
Victoria Street.

\$20 if you order now \$25 on the night

Tickets are available by: Email - Rachaelgh@clear.net.nz or Phone - 838 4469.

CARLO CURLEY is one of the world's foremost concert organists. Born into a musical family in North Carolina (USA) in 1952, he attended the North Carolina School of the Arts and coached privately with renowned pedagogues Arthur Poister and Robert Elmore. Ultimately, he studied with two of the world's greatest organists: America's legendary Virgil Fox and Great Britain's Sir George Thalben-Ball.

A flamboyant and popular American concert organist, Curley is sometimes characterised as the "Pavarotti of the organ". He is one of only a few concert organists world-wide who supports himself exclusively by giving organ concerts without supplementing his income by teaching or titular organ position.

Early in his career, he was invited by the President to play at the White House, and made history as the first classical organist to give a solo organ recital there. Today, he tours the world, having played in every state and province in North America and Canada, as well as Europe, Asia, Australia and Hong Kong. His recent concert tour of Japan with the King's Singers, sponsored by Rolex, was warmly received and a sell-out everywhere.

Carlo Curley records exclusively for Decca International, including CDs and the first-ever commercial video of a classical organ performance, Organ Imperial. His recordings have been voted "Best of the Month" by Stereo Review in the USA, "Record of the Year" in Scandinavia, "Laser Disc of Exceptio.

Waikato Cathedral Church of St Peter

Parish Summer Camp – Te Rau Aroha – Waihi Beach

Sunday January 4th to Sunday 11th 2009

WAIKATO CATHEDRAL



The Cathedral has booked the Diocesan Camp at Waihi Beach again giving us a wonderful opportunity to gather as a family and share some good Anglican hospitality.

You are welcome to attend for as many nights as you wish and also to bring friends and family. Let us know if you need transport to Waihi Beach.

There is little programme, but a large range of activities we can do individually or collectively. The idea is to relax and have fun in a comfortable atmosphere with friends.

The cost is \$15.00 per night, per person, with a maximum of \$45.00 per night for a family group. If you would like to come but feel this is beyond you, talk in confidence to the Dean.

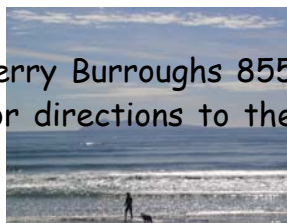
There is a day visitor charge of \$2.50 for the use of the facilities

Food is not included; we all go self sufficient but often pool our food and have shared meals. There are some good restaurants we can go to as well.

The only other items you will need to bring are pillow, bedding and your favorite game and book.

Please complete a booking form, which are on the table in reception and return it to the office.

Please ask Warren Turnwald 839 5311 or Kerry Burroughs 855 2854 if you need any further information or directions to the camp.



2nd Sunday in Advent

Opening Hymn: 12 As we ignite the advent flame

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

President: We have this ADVENT WREATH to remind us of the coming of Jesus Christ who is the light of the world. As we light the second candle let us say together: *Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

A young person asks: Why do we light the second candle?

A parent replies: We light the second candle to remind us of the people of God who in every age waited for the coming of the Messiah.

Liturgist: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them has light shined. For a child has been born for us, a son has been given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:2b, 6

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

President: Let us say together:
Our Father who is in heaven we need the light of peace and love to shine in our world. Help us to prepare our lives and homes to receive the Messiah. Come Lord Jesus come. Amen.

INTROIT: Bow down thine ear – Arensky

President: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Liturgist: To prepare ourselves for this celebration we pray together.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,**

all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may truly love you
and worthily praise your holy name;
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Liturgist

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. In the light we confess our sins.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of your kingdom.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness.
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

You will come in glory with salvation for your people.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

THE ABSOLUTION

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins so that we may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT: Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The second half of Isaiah is a later addition from the 6th century BC to the 8th century book of Isaiah. With the exile in Babylon nearly over, the new prophet offers words of comfort and encouragement.

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (40: 1-11)

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

A WEEK AWAY CAMP FOR SENIORS Friday 6 February—Friday 13 February 2009

The Anglican Diocese of Waikato helps to administer this annual camp for older people at their facility, Te Rau Aroha in Waihi Beach. This is an Ecumenical Venture planned by Methodists and Anglicans. Registration forms are in the foyer of the Cathedral.

ST PETER'S CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE

Christmas Cards

Christmas Music

Gifts and Nativity Sets

'TREES AT THE METEOR' is a new community mission from Incedo - the people that brought you Stations of the Cross. Trees at the Meteor kicks off at the Meteor with art Christmas trees and World Vision interactive stalls all mixed up in the theatre. Viewers then follow the stars up Cathedral lawn and engaging with reflective art and ambience surrounding the HOPE of Christ's birth. Woven choir sings too.

Open from Tuesday 16 - 20th, from 7.30 pm till 10.30. \$5.00/or \$12.00 family concession

Volunteers are needed each and every night if you are able to help out - check www.treesatmeteor.co.nz to enlist



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2008

14 December	9.45 am Sunday School Nativity
21 December	7.00 pm Nine Lessons & Carols
24 December	2.00 pm Blue Christmas Service 5.30 pm Christingle Service 11.00 pm Midnight Mass (<i>with incense</i>) Archbishop David Moxon Bishop of Waikato
25 December	8.00 am Eucharist 9.45 am Choral Eucharist (No Informal Eucharist)
28 December	8.00 am Eucharist 9.45 am Feast of the Holy Family with a blessing of families 11.30 am Informal Eucharist

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK BBQ THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER STARTING AT 6.00 PM CATHEDRAL GARDENS

Bring something to put on the BBQ and a salad or plate. Friends and family welcome for an informal gathering. Please buy a ticket in advance (gold coin donation) so that we can invite people who would otherwise be unable to join in.



Please see Annika, Dayna or the Cathedral Office for tickets.

Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep. (NRSV)
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13



- 1 Lord you were once gracious ' to your ' land:
you re'stored the ' fortunes • of ' Jacob.
- 2 You forgave the offence • of your ' people:
and ' covered ' all their ' sin.
- 8 Let me hear what you will ' say O ' Lord:
for you will speak peace to your people,
to your servants whose ' hearts are ' turned to ' you.
- 9 For deliverance is at hand for ' those who ' fear you:
so that your ' glory • may ' dwell • in our ' land.
- 10 Mercy and faithfulness have ' met to'gether:
justice and ' peace • have em'braced each ' other.
- 11 Faithfulness will spring up ' from the ' ground:
and righteousness will ' look ' down from ' heaven.
- 12 You Lord will ' give prosperity:
and our ' land shall ' yield its ' harvest.
- 13 Justice shall ' go be'fore you:
and the path for your ' feet ' shall be ' peace.

Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son:
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit;
as it was in the be'ginning • is ' now:
and shall be for ' ever.' A'men.

The author of 2 Peter uses Peter's name, a common practice of the time, to add authority to his letter. He wants to strengthen faith in the return of Christ and to warn against false teachers.

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1: 3-9)

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *(NRSV)*

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Gradual Hymn: The Lord will come and not be slow

1

The Lord will come and not be slow,
his footsteps cannot err;
before him righteousness shall go,
his royal harbinger.

2

Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
shall bud and blossom then;
and justice, from her heavenly bower,
look down on mortal men.

3

Rise, God, judge thou the earth in might,
this wicked earth redress;
for thou art he who shalt by right
the nations all possess.

4

Surely to such as do him fear
salvation is at hand!
And glory shall ere long appear
to dwell within our land.

5

The nations all whom thou hast made
shall come, and all shall frame
to bow them low before thee, Lord,
and glorify thy Name.

6

For great thou art, and wonders great
by thy strong hand are done:
thou in thy everlasting seat
remainest God alone.

Words: John Milton, 1648

Mark's Gospel was the first of the four Gospels to be written. It opens with the announcement of Jesus' ministry by John the Baptist at the Jordan and the promise of one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

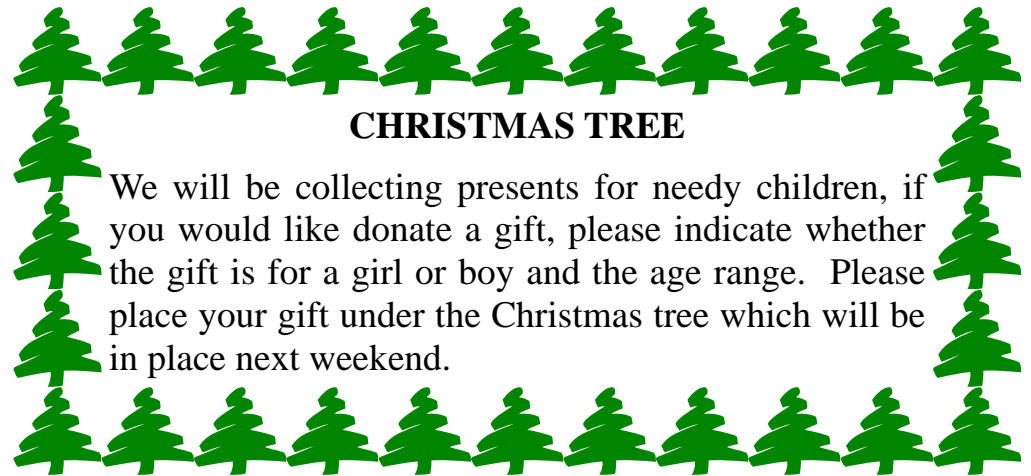
The Venerable Vincent Venimore, Archdeacon Emeritus, was ordained in this Cathedral in 1933. Archbishop David and Amanda will visit him in his retirement in Te Kawhata, on Tuesday 2 December to celebrate his 75 years of ministry.

Archdeacon Vincent is the longest serving priest in the Anglican Church.

Please pray with thanksgiving for all retired clergy during this advent service. Their special service will be celebrated here on 11 December at noon followed by lunch. All are welcome.

WOMEN'S NIGHT SHELTER

Please let Amanda know on 834 3464 if you have excess fruit and vegetables and she will collect them for the night shelter.



CHRISTMAS TREE

We will be collecting presents for needy children, if you would like donate a gift, please indicate whether the gift is for a girl or boy and the age range. Please place your gift under the Christmas tree which will be in place next weekend.

All Saints Matamata Centennial History 1908-2008, a 100 page book with many photographs (described by Bishop David in the new edition of Church Alive), is available from All Saints Church Matamata, 20 Hohaia St, Matamata, email allsaints@maxnet.co.nz or ring 07 888 6775 - \$15 plus \$3 handling.

This week

Monday	7.30 pm LOFT, The Deanery, 6 Tisdall Street
Tuesday	8.45 am Morning Prayer 5.30 pm Healing Eucharist (<i>St Anne's Chapel</i>)
Wednesday	8.45 am Morning Prayer 10.00 am Eucharist 10.00 am Music & Movement (<i>during term time—phone Brigit Brant 855 8475</i>) 5.30 pm Cathedral Singers 7.30 pm Bell Practice
Thursday	8.45 am Morning Prayer 12.10 pm Eucharist for Retired Clergy Archbishop David Moxon, Bishop of Waikato 7.30 pm Choir Practice
Friday	8.45 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 14 December	8.00 am Eucharist & 9.45 am Choral Eucharist President: The Dean Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Phil Wilson 11.30 am Informal Eucharist President: The Rev'd Canon Phil Wilson 7.00 pm Taizé

ORGAN RECITAL

A New Zealand première
of The Peterhouse Chapel Windows Suite

Barry Ferguson MA, FRCO, FRSCM

Friday 12 December at 6.00 p.m.
St Peters Cathedral, Hamilton

This piece was written in 2006 to commemorate the stained glass windows at Peterhouse College, Cambridge - Barry's former College. Barry will give an introduction to the piece; notes and illustrations will be provided for the audience. Returning to New Zealand after his visit to the RSCM Summer School in Nelson in 1987, Barry wanted to give the New Zealand première in Hamilton because our Cathedral Church is dedicated to St Peter. *Koha*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. **Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark
(1: 1-8)

Praise and glory to God

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" ', John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' (NRSV)
This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise to Christ, the Word.

THE SERMON

THE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,
All **maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
All **God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,**
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

All **Through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made human.

All **For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

All **he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

All We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
All **With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.**
 He has spoken through the prophets.
All **We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.**
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
All **We look for the resurrection of the dead,**
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Come, O come, Emmanuel:
come and live in us.

(At the end of the prayers the minister may say)

God of warmth and brightness, we praise you for all our many blessings, and above all for coming to save us and set us free.

Merciful Father

All **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,**
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE *(please stand)*

In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. cf Luke 1.78,79

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn: 2 Long ago, prophets knew

To you, Lord, belongs the greatness,
 the power, the glory, the victory and the majesty.

All **All that is in the heavens and the earth is yours,**
and of your own we give you.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Rota this week (8.00 am)		Rota next week (8.00 am)	
Liturgist:	Wendy Tyrrell	Liturgist:	Nancy Burroughs
Readers:	Ross McRobie Joy McRobie	Readers:	Rosemary Allbrook Bob Allbrook
Prayer Ministry:	Andrea Haines	Prayer Ministry:	Shirley Wilson

Rota this week (9.45 am)		Rota next week (9.45 am)	
Liturgist:	Sue MacLean	Liturgist:	Bryan Bang
Welcoming:	Jennifer Peart Alan Peart	Welcoming:	Heather Bailey Joan Nicholson
Sidespeople:	David Bailey Jean Redout	Sidespeople:	Mary Dougan Fred Rohorua
Morning Tea:	Kim Ayers Ken Ayers	Morning Tea:	Alex Fahey Jean Redout
Readers:	Alan Simpson Nancy Burroughs	Readers:	Jackie Crush Sue MacLean
Gospel:	Clergy	Gospel:	Clergy
Intercessor:	Rosemary Blackwell	Intercessor:	Giles Brant
Chalice:	Sue MacLean Kerry Burroughs Nancy Burroughs	Chalice:	Bryan Bang Elizabeth Bang Shirley Wilson Bruce Binnie Alison Binnie
Prayer Ministry:	Fred Rohorua Jean Robertson	Prayer Ministry:	Ann Couch Alan Parkin

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS VOLUNTEERS

Welcomers, Sidespeople and Chalice Bearers are needed for Midnight Mass (you must be licenced)

Please contact the Cathedral Office as soon as possible if you would like to be a Welcomer, Sidesperson or a Chalice Bearer. Should there be a large number of volunteers, you may not be chosen; please do not be disappointed.

5. O come, O come, great Lord of might
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times did'st give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel...

Those for whom prayers have been requested

- **For those in need:** Nicholas, David, Elizabeth, Len, Helen, Lesley, Matthew, Vernon, Helga, Maurice, Pearl, Danae, Sylvia, Jenny, Lane, Denis, David, Bill, Bruce, Janet, Bruce & Alison
- **Birthdays:** Warren Turnwald (7), Stephanie Crush (10), Heather Hitchens, Emma McKegg, Marlene Wilkinson (13).
- **Wedding Anniversaries:** Bryan and Elizabeth Bang, Gavin and Ruth Holmes (10).
- **In Memoriam:** Margaret Leigh (7), Shura Jean Jones, Doug Joyce (8), Arthur Bainbridge, James Greig (9), Denis Rogers, John Franklin (11), Ack Malcolm (12).

In our Prayers Today:

Today as we pray for the Anglican Communion around the world we remember especially:

Diocese of Kuching:	St Christopher's, Debak
Diocese of Auckland:	John Paterson (Bp) & John
Diocese of Waikato:	
Huntly:	Doreen Adamson (P) & Beryl
Inglewood:	Gary Husband (P) & Beryl Anne Hall (D) & Geoff
Katikati:	Brendan Gibbs (P) & Sally - Abigail 1991; Nathan 1994 Don Ruxton (P) & Mary
Community:	Boy Scouts; Girl Guides; Boy's Brigade; Girls' Brigade

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The president says:

The Lord is here.

All **God's spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

All **Holy, holy, holy, God, almighty Lord,
Holy, holy, holy, everywhere adored.
He without beginning, He the eternal one,
Reigns and rules forever all things 'neath the sun.**

The president recalls the Last Supper,

All **Holy, holy, holy, God, almighty Lord,
Holy, holy, holy, everywhere adored.
Power and love and wonder circling round his throne,
Praise him, holy, holy, Lord of life alone.**

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER—Rimsky Korsakov

As we look for the coming of the Kingdom we pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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

All **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in the one bread.**

THE AGNUS DEI—Robson

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

ANTHEM: A Boy was born – Britten

THE INVITATION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The president and people receive communion.

An invitation is extended to members of other denomination, to come forward to receive communion.

Prayer after Communion: Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The post-communion prayer is said by the president, then all say:

**We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.
Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

During each of the four weeks of Advent an extra verse of the hymn “O come, O come, Emmanuel”, will be sung unaccompanied by the organ. The service concludes in silence as we await the coming of our Lord.

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel!
And ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*
2. O come, thou branch of Jesse! free
thine own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell Thy people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel...
3. O come, O dayspring come and cheer!
Our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night
and death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel...
4. O come, thou key of David,
come and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high
and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel...

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