



THE WAIKATO CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST PETER

Te whare karakia matua o Pita Tapu ki Waikato



Choral Evensong

23 June 2024

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.00pm

Officiant:

The Rev'd Peter Lord Cowell

Welcome

Liturgy from *Book of Common Prayer 1662* Music Copyright CCLI 337942
Responses: *Clucas* Canticles: *Gibbons Short Service (1583-1625)*

Hymn

— 1 —

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

— 2 —

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us;
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.

— 3 —

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston (1791-1867)

Introduction and Confession

(please remain standing / e tū tonu tātou)

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your
God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness,
and repenteth him of the evil.

Joel 2.13

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to
acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we
should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our
heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and
obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by
his infinite goodness and mercy. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as
many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble
voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

(please kneel or sit / e noho, e tūturi rānei tātou) (All say)

Almighty and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*(The priest pronounces the Absolution /
Mā te pirihi te murunga hara e whakahua)*

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Cantor: O Lord, open thou our lips.

Response: **And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

Cantor: O God, make speed to save us.

Response: **Lord, make haste to help us.**

*(Here, all standing up, the Cantor shall sing /
Ka tū te katoa, mā te kaiwaiata e waiata)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;

Response: **As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Cantor: Praise ye the Lord.

Response: **The Lord's Name be praised.**

Psalm 49



- 1 O hear ye this ' all ye ' people :
ponder it with your ears, all ' ye that ' dwell in the ' world;
- 2 High and ' low ' rich and ' poor :
' one ' with an'other.
- 3 My mouth shall ' speak of ' wisdom :
and my heart shall ' muse of ' under'standing.
- 4 I will incline mine ' ear to the ' parable :
and shew my dark ' speech up'on the ' harp.
- 5 Wherefore should I fear in the ' days of ' wickedness :
and when the wickedness of my heels
' compasseth me ' round a'bout?
- 6 There be some that put their ' trust in their ' goods :
and boast themselves in the ' multitude ' of their ' riches.
- 7 But no man may de'liver his ' brother :
nor make agreement ' unto ' God ' for him;
- 8 For it cost more to re'deem their ' souls :
so that he must let ' that a'lone for ever;
- 9† Yea though he ' live ' long :
and ' see ' not the ' grave.

**Glory be to the Father, and ´ to the ´ Son
and ´ to the ´ Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning is now and ´ ever ´ shall be :
world without ´ end. A´men**

The First Lesson *(please sit / e noho tātou)*

Here beginneth the first verse of the tenth chapter of the book of the prophet Jeremiah (10:1-16)

Hear the word that the Lord speaks to you, O house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:

Do not learn the way of the nations,
or be dismayed at the signs of the heavens;
for the nations are dismayed at them.

For the customs of the peoples are false:
a tree from the forest is cut down,
and worked with an axe by the hands of an artisan;
people deck it with silver and gold;
they fasten it with hammer and nails
so that it cannot move.

Their idols are like scarecrows in a cucumber field,
and they cannot speak;
they have to be carried,
for they cannot walk.

Do not be afraid of them,
for they cannot do evil,
nor is it in them to do good.

There is none like you, O Lord;
you are great, and your name is great in might.

Who would not fear you, O King of the nations?

For that is your due;
among all the wise ones of the nations
and in all their kingdoms
there is no one like you.

They are both stupid and foolish;
the instruction given by idols
is no better than wood!

Beaten silver is brought from Tarshish,
and gold from Uphaz.

They are the work of the artisan and of the hands of the
goldsmith;

their clothing is blue and purple;
they are all the product of skilled workers.

But the Lord is the true God;

he is the living God and the everlasting King.

At his wrath the earth quakes,

and the nations cannot endure his indignation.

Thus shall you say to them: The gods who did not make the heavens and
the earth shall perish from the earth and from under the heavens.

It is he who made the earth by his power,
 who established the world by his wisdom,
 and by his understanding stretched out the heavens.
When he utters his voice, there is a tumult of waters in the
heavens,
 and he makes the mist rise from the ends of the earth.
He makes lightnings for the rain,
 and he brings out the wind from his storehouses.
Everyone is stupid and without knowledge;
 goldsmiths are all put to shame by their idols;
for their images are false,
 and there is no breath in them.
They are worthless, a work of delusion;
 at the time of their punishment they shall perish.
Not like these is the Lord, the portion of Jacob,
 for he is the one who formed all things,
and Israel is the tribe of his inheritance;
 the Lord of hosts is his name.

[Translation – New Revised Standard Version (Anglicised)]

Here endeth the first lesson.

Magnificat *(please stand / e tū tātou)*

My soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded :
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth :
all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me :
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him :
throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson *(please sit / e noho tātou)*

Here beginneth the twenty-fifth verse of the eleventh chapter of
the letter of Paul to the Romans (11:25-36)

So that you may not claim to be wiser than you are, brothers and sisters, I
want you to understand this mystery: a hardening has come upon part of
Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. And so all Israel
will be saved; as it is written,

‘Out of Zion will come the Deliverer;
he will banish ungodliness from Jacob.’

‘And this is my covenant with them,
when I take away their sins.’

As regards the gospel they are enemies of God for your sake; but as
regards election they are beloved, for the sake of their ancestors; for the
gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once
disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their
disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the
mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has
imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How
unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways!

‘For who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has been his counsellor?’

‘Or who has given a gift to him,
to receive a gift in return?’

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the
glory for ever. Amen.’ [NRSVA]

Here endeth the second lesson.

Nunc Dimittis *(please stand / e tū tātou)*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen :
thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared :
before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Cantor: The Lord be with you.

Response: **And with thy spirit.**

Cantor: Let us pray.

(please kneel or sit / e noho, e tūturi rānei tātou)

Cantor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Response: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Cantor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Response: **Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

Cantor: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Response: **And grant us thy salvation.**

Cantor: O Lord, save the King.

Response: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Cantor: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Response: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Cantor: O Lord, save thy people.

Response: **And bless thine inheritance.**

Cantor: Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Response: **Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.**

Cantor: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Response: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

The Collects

The Collect for the fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ' sake our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Collect for aid against all perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

(please sit / e noho tātou)

Anthem: They that go down to the sea in ships, *Sumsion (1899-1995)*

They that go down to the sea in ships and occupy their business in great waters; These men see the works of the Lord and his wonders in the deep. For at his word the stormy wind ariseth which lifteth up the waves thereof. They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep. Their soul melteth away because of the trouble. They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man and are at their wits end. So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble he delivereth them out of their distress. For he maketh the storm to cease so that the waves thereof are still. Then are they glad, because they are at rest and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

The Prayers

Hymn *(please stand / e tū tātou)*

— 1 —

As now the sun's declining rays
at eventide descend,
so life's brief day is sinking down
to its appointed end.

— 2 —

Lord, on the cross thine arms were
stretched,
to draw thy people nigh;
O grant us then that cross to love,
and in those arms to die.

All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee,
while endless ages run.

St Columba, Traditional Irish Melody)

The Blessing

Voluntary

Humoresque "L'organo primitivo" Toccatina for lute

Pietro Yon (1886-

1943)

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