



THE WAIKATO CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST PETER

Te whare karakia matua o Pita Tapu ki Waikato

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Simeon's Song of Praise (Nunc Dimittis)
Aert de Gelder (1645-1727)



I have seen it myself, and bear witness, that this is the chosen one of God.

John 1:34

28 January 2024 The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

8.00am	Said Eucharist	President & Preacher	The Very Rev'd Julian Perkins
10.00am	Choral Eucharist	President & Preacher	The Very Rev'd Julian Perkins

Covid guidelines

Though COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted, the risks of infections remain and we need to be mindful of the vulnerable within our congregations. We must balance our freedoms with our responsibility to protect the vulnerable.

- Wearing a mask is optional, it remains a valuable protection.
- Please be mindful of those who need to observe social distancing.
- We will continue to provide both the chalice and individual cups for the time being.
- Masks are available at the entrance for anyone who needs one.
- Please do not attend a service if you are feeling unwell but do, please, let us know so that we can offer pastoral care.

Please continue to care for one another and be mindful of the needs of those around you.

Toilet facilities

For security reasons the Cathedral Centre is locked during services. If you have need of these facilities, a welcomer will unlock the door.

Health & safety

In the event of a fire: exits are the entrance and the doors either side of the front of the main body of the church.

In the event of an earthquake: drop to the floor, seek cover, and hold on to something. Only exit the building when all shaking has stopped.

Cathedral Social Club

Friday 9 February 2024 has been cancelled.

John Lloyd sends greetings. He is unable to speak at the February Social Club meeting. The meeting is cancelled and will resume again on 8 March 2024.

Emmaus – confirmation preparation

We will recommence the Emmaus sessions on Sunday, 18 February 2024 meeting as usual at 3pm. If you are interested in learning more about our faith and beliefs, please talk to Dean Julian (020 4124 6555).

Crucifer and acolyte training

Anyone, of any age, interested in training to be a crucifer or acolyte, please contact, Heather Powell (021 386 207). *(It would, for example, have been very useful to have adults available for our midnight mass.)*

Thanksgiving and Praise

A New Zealand Prayer Book, page 476

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Mass Setting: Matthias

The Ministry of Word and Prayer

Processional Hymn (*please stand / e tū tātou*)

— 1 —

Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
ye who sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:

*come and worship,
worship Christ, the new-born king.*

— 3 —

Sages, leave your contemplations;
brighter visions beam afar:
seek the great Desire of Nations;
ye have seen his natal star:

— 2 —

Shepherds, in the field abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing,
yonder shines the infant Light:

— 4 —

Saints before the altar bending,
watching long in hope and fear,
suddenly the Lord, descending,
in his temple shall appear:

— 5 —

Though an infant now we view him,
he shall fill his Father's throne,
gather all the nations to him;
ev'ry knee shall then bow down:

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

Welcome & Greeting - (*please remain standing / e tū tonu tātou*)

E te whānau a te Karaiti, (*nearly*) forty days ago we celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now we recall the day on which he was presented in the Temple, when he was offered to the Father and shown to his people. As a sign of his coming among us, his mother was purified, as we now come to him for cleansing. In their old age Simeon and Anna recognized him as their Lord, as we today sing of his glory. In this eucharist, we celebrate both the joy of his coming and his searching

judgement, looking back to the day of his birth and forward to the coming days of his passion.

Amen.

Christ is our light, the joy of our salvation.

Praise and glory to Christ, God's new beginning for humanity making ritual water gospel wine, cleansing all our worship.

Love and loyalty to Christ, who gives us the gospel.

Praise to Christ who calls us to holiness.

Song of Praise – The Gloria (*sung by the choir, please stand / e tū tātou*)

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Forgiveness (*please be seated or kneel / e noho, e tūturi rānei tātou*)

Liturgist

We come seeking forgiveness
for all we have failed to be and do as members of Christ's body.

Silence

In God there is forgiveness.

**Loving and all-seeing God,
forgive us where we have failed to support one another
and to be what we claim to be.**

**Forgive us where we have failed to serve you;
and where our thoughts and actions have been
contrary to yours we ask your pardon.**

The presiding priest says

God forgives us; be at peace.

Silence

Rejoice and be glad,
for Christ is resurrection, reconciliation for all the human race.

**We shall all be one in Christ,
one in our life together.**

**Praise to God who has created us,
praise to God who has accepted us,
praise to God who sends us into the world.**

Silence

The Collect

**Everliving God,
your Son Jesus Christ was presented as a child in the temple
to be the hope of your people;
grant us pure hearts and minds
that we may be transformed into his likeness,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever. Amen.**

The Readings

(please sit for the readings / e noho ki te whakarongo ki ngā pānuitanga)

A reading from the first book of the prophet Malachi (3:1-4)

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of

hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

[Translation – New Revised Standard Version (Anglicised)]

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 84 (please stand / e tū tātou)

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G. J. ELVEY.

- 1 How lovely ' is your ' dwelling-place:
Lord ' God of ' power and ' might.
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter the ' courts · of the ' Lord:
my heart and my flesh re'joice · in the ' living ' God.
- 3 The sparrow finds for her'self a ' house:
and the swallow a nest where ' she may ' lay her ' young.
- 4 Even so have the singers a ' home · at your ' altars:
they stand always praising you my ' king ' and my ' God.
- 5 O Lord ' God of ' hosts:
blessèd are ' those who ' dwell in · your ' house.
- 6 Blessèd are those whose ' strength · is in ' you:
who have ' set their ' hearts on ' pilgrimage.
- 7 Going through the arid valley,
they find a spring from ' which to ' drink:
the early rain ' covers it · with ' pools of ' water.
- 8 They go from ' strength to ' strength:
and appear every one before ' God ' in Je'rusalem.

- 9 O Lord God of hosts, ' hear my ' prayer:
give ' ear O ' God of ' Jacob.
- 10 Show favour O God to the ' king · our de'fender:
and look upon the face of ' your an'ointed ' prince.
- 11 Truly one day ' in your ' courts:
is better ' than a ' thousand ' elsewhere.
- 12 I would rather stand at the threshold of the ' house · of my ' God:
than ' live · in the ' homes of · the ' wicked.
- 13 For the Lord God is a defence and shield,
the Lord will give ' grace and ' honour:
and no good thing will be withheld —
from those who ' live a ' blameless ' life.
- 14 O Lord ' God of ' hosts:
blessèd are those who ' put their ' trust in ' you.

**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.**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (2:14-18)

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

[NRSVA]

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn (*please stand / e tū tātou*)

— 1 —

Lord, now let your servant
go his way in peace;
your great love has brought me
joy that will not cease:

— 2 —

For my eyes have seen him
promised from of old -
saviour of all people,
shepherd of one fold:

— 3 —

Light of revelation
to the gentiles shown,
light of Israel's glory
to the world made known.

Nunc Dimittis; Paraphraser: James E Seddon (1915-1983)

The Gospel (*we remain standing and turn to face the gospel | Ka tū tonu tātou ki te whakarongo ki te Rongopai*)

The holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (2:22-40)

Praise and glory to God.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

[NRSVA]

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to Christ, the Word.**

The Sermon

The Affirmation of Faith (*please stand / e tū tatou*)

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you.**

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world,
giving thanks for God's goodness.

God of grace

you hear our prayer.

God of love

grant our prayer.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

The intercessor may end with the following responses or a collect:

God, you shape our dreams. As we put our trust in you may your hopes
and desires be ours, and we your expectant people. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Sacrament

The Peace (*please stand / e tū tatou*)

Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace
who breaks down the walls that divide.

The peace of God be always with you.
Praise to Christ who unites us in peace.

Liturgist: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

During the singing of this hymn a collection will be taken.

Virgin-born, we bow before thee:
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, mother meek and mild,
blessèd was she in her child.

Blessèd was the breast that fed thee;
blessèd was the hand that led thee;
blessèd was the parent's eye
that watched thy slumb'ring infancy.

Blessèd she by all creation,
who brought forth the world's Salvation
blessèd they, for ever blest,
who love thee most and serve thee best.

Virgin-born, we bow before thee:
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, maid and mother mild,
blessèd was she in her child.

Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Preparation of the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving (*please stand, sit or kneel as you are most comfortable throughout the following prayer / mō tēnei inoi katoa, e noho, e tū, tūturi rānei i runga anō i tāu e pai nei*)

The Lord is here.

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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.

It is the joy of our salvation, God of the universe,
to give you thanks through Jesus Christ.

You said, 'Let there be light'; there was light.

Your light shines on in our darkness.

For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms.

You have created us to hear your Word,
to do your will and to be fulfilled in your love.

You sent your Son to be for us
the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know.

His star, mysterious and inviting,
calls us to worship the Christ who is born.

For he is Emmanuel, God revealed in human form for all the human race;
to him we offer our homage and our gifts.

You send your Holy Spirit
to strengthen and to guide, to warn and to revive your Church.
Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side,
countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation
and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts we say/sing:

**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.**

Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son;
On that night before he died he took bread and gave 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, and gave you thanks.
He gave it to them and said:
Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you, shed for all,
to forgive sin; do this to remember me.

Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us.

God of the past and present,
we your people remember your Son.
We thank you for his cross and rising again,
we take courage from his ascension;
we look for his coming in glory
and in him we give ourselves to you.

We celebrate and proclaim the mystery of our faith:

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

Send your Holy Spirit,
that we who receive Christ's body may indeed be the body of Christ,
and we who share his cup draw strength from the one true vine.

Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite.
Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.

For you, the heavenly one, make all things new;
you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first,
to whom we bring our songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
Here and everywhere,
Now and forever. Amen.**

The Communion

The Lord's Prayer (You may wish to pray the Lord's Prayer in your own language. The Choir will sing.)

As Christ teaches 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.**

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki,
ka ĭnoi 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 āiane i
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.

Breaking of the Bread

Christ's body was broken for us on the cross.

Christ is the bread of life.

His blood was shed for our forgiveness.

Christ is risen from the dead.

Agnus Dei (sung by the choir)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us your peace.

The Invitation

Come God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food.

The minister says the following to each person.

The bread of life, broken for you.

Te taro o te ora, i whatia nei mou.

The cup of blessing, poured out for you.

Te kapu o te ora, i whakahekea nei mou.

The communicant may respond each time Amen / Āmine.

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

Please come forward to the altar rail to receive the bread. If you would like to receive the wine move to a chalice station at either side. Wine can be received from the Common cup or individual cups, as desired.

Please note, the practice of intinction is not permitted.

If communion is not your custom or practice, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please, put a hand across your chest and a blessing will be given.

Gluten free wafers are offered at the Altar rail, please ask.

Candles to symbolise our prayers can be lit at the back of the Cathedral.

Anthem: There's a wideness in God's Mercy – Maurice Bevan
(1921-2006)

Prayer After Communion

Blessed be God who calls us together.

Praise to God who makes us one people.

Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.

Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.

Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.

Praise to God who is revealed as love.

Blessed be God who alone has called us.

Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.

Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.

Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.

Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

Blessing (*please stand / e tū tātou*)

The Holy and Strong One, the Holy and Mighty One, grant you renewal, restoration and his power for the days to come, and the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life, be upon you and remain with you, with those whom you love, and with those whom you struggle to love, this day and always. **Amen**

Candlemas Procession - Prayer

Lord God, the springing source of everlasting light,
pour into the hearts of your faithful people
the brilliance of your eternal splendour,
that we, who by these kindling flames light up this temple to your glory,
may have the darkness of our souls dispelled,
and so be counted worthy to stand before you
in that eternal city where you live and reign,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Closing Hymn

— 1 —

Faithful vigil ended,
watching, waiting cease;
Master, grant thy servant
his discharge in peace.

— 3 —

This thy great deliv'rance
sets thy people free;
Christ, their light, uplifted
all the nations see.

— 2 —

All thy Spirit promised,
all the Father willed,
now these eyes behold it
perfectly fulfilled.

— 4 —

Christ, thy people's glory!
watching, doubting, cease;
grant to us thy servants
our discharge in peace.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)



The Dismissal of the Community (Final Responory)

Liturgist

Almighty God, Source of All Being,
here we bring to an end our celebration of the Saviour's birth.
**Help us, in whom he has been born,
to live his life that has no end.**

Here we have offered the Church's sacrifice of praise.
**Help us, who have received the bread of life,
to be thankful for your gift.**

Here we have rejoiced with faithful Simeon and Anna.
**Help us, who have found the Lord in his temple,
to trust in your eternal promises.**

Here we have greeted the light of the world.
**Help us, who extinguish these candles,
never to forsake the light of Christ.**

Here we stand near the place of baptism.
**Help us, who are marked with the cross,
to share the Lord's death and resurrection.**

Here we turn from Christ's birth to his passion.
**Help us, for whom Lent is near,
to enter deeply into the Easter mystery.**

Here we bless one another in your name.
**Help us, who now go in peace,
to shine with your light in the world.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

The service concludes with the organ voluntary, for which you are warmly invited to remain. If you wish to leave following the recession of clergy and choir, please do so quietly so that the voluntary may be fully appreciated.

Voluntary: Allegro from Symphony in D, op. 2 no. 5
William Boyce (1711-1779)

Please join us for refreshments

after both services, 8.00am and 10.00am.

We Remember with Love and Gratitude

Prayers for Dilip, Quintin, Bruce, Jim, Mal.
those in need:

Birthdays: **January:** Michael Butcher 28, James Shearer 30.
February: Jody van der Merwe 1, Caitlyn Hitchen 2.

In Memoriam: **January:** Rhoda Craig 28, Dora Crookes 28, Charles Dobson 29, Dennis Lucas 29, Alexander Gilmer 30, Danae Minifie 30.
February: Anne Waugh 2, Ellen Holmes 2, Ida Heather 3, Dorne Thompson 3.

4 February 2024 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am	Said Eucharist	Preacher President	Rev'd Liz Lightfoot Rev'd Wendy Tyrrell
10:00am	Choral Eucharist	Preacher President	Rev'd Liz Lightfoot Rev'd Robin Olds

Please note - office closure midday Friday

From Friday 26th January 2024, the office will closed each Friday from 12 noon.

Cantata Vespers - Third Saturday of the month
Next Vespers: 17 February 2024 at 5.00pm

Choral Evensong - Fourth Sunday of the month
RSCM Evensong: 18 February 2024 at 6.00pm
Next Evensong: 25 February 2024 at 6.00pm

	The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple (Candlemas) 28 January 2024	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4 February 2024
	8:00am	
Liturgist	Sandra Walz	Rev'd Liz Lightfoot
First Reading	Malachi 3: 1-4 Tom Booth	Isaiah 40: 21-31 Jenevere Foreman
Second Reading	Hebrews 2: 14-18 Susan Allen	I Cor 9: 16-23 Allan Carter
Gospel	Luke 2: 22-40	Mark 1: 29-39
Intercessions	Sandra Walz	
	10.00 am	
Liturgist	Rev'd Liz Lightfoot	Warren Turnwald
Crucifer	_____	Miliannia Zuchetto
Acolytes	_____ _____	Alonzo Zuchetto Reid Rohorua
First Reading	Malachi 3: 1-4 Sara Young	Isaiah 40: 21-31 Kerry Burroughs
Second Reading	Hebrews 2: 14-18 Pam McAdam	I Cor 9: 16-23 Richard Swarbrick
Gospel	Luke 2: 22-40	Mark 1: 29-39
Intercessor	Richard Swarbrick	Anne McAloon
Ciborium	Rev'd Robin Olds	Rev'd Bryan Smith
Chalice DB:	Rev'd Bryan Smith & Dianne Cameron	Lyn Jamieson & Evelyn Masoka
Chalice LW:	Rev'd Robin Olds & Heather Powell	Min Turnwald & Heather Powell
Welcomers	Brian Dingwall & David Wilson	Plex John & Anu Varghese
Morning Tea	Warren & Min Turnwald	June Chestnut & Evelyn Masoka

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