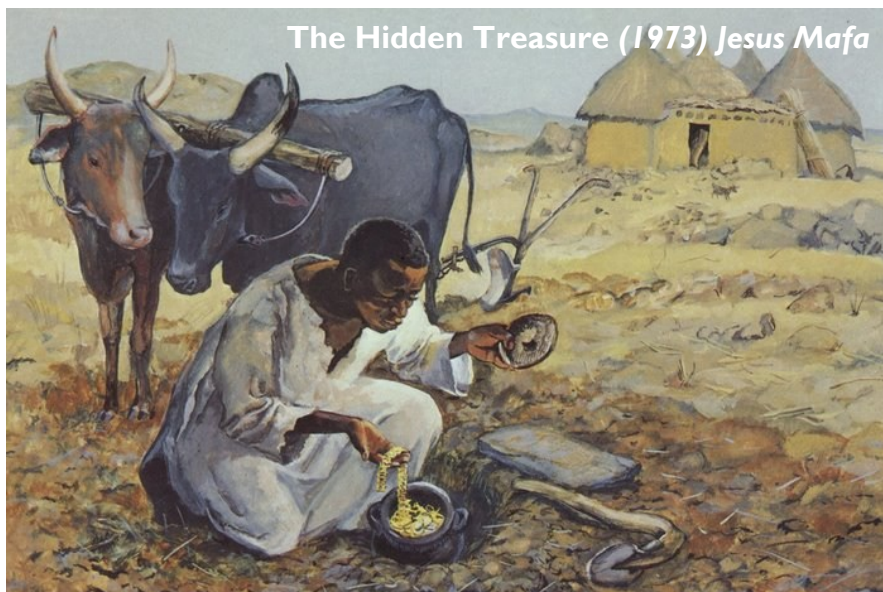




The Waikato Cathedral Church of St Peter

Te whare karakia matua o Pita Tapu ki Waikato
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Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8.38-39

26 July 2026 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am	Said Eucharist	President & Preacher	Father Ben Ong
10:00am	Choral Eucharist	President Preacher	The Rev'd Robin Olds Father Ben Ong
5:00pm	Evensong	Officiant	The Rev'd Peter Lord Cowell

2 August 2026 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am	Said Eucharist	President & Preacher	Father Ben Ong
10:00am	Choral Eucharist	President & Preacher	Father Ben Ong

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We Remember with Love and Gratitude

Prayers for those in need: Alison, Ashleigh, Bruce, Jenny, Joumana, Keira & Sophia, Zaf & Cathy.

Birthdays: Fergus B. 26, Peter L.C. 27, Alan S. I, Helen S. I.

In Memoriam: Elizabeth Russell 26, Tom Hodgson 29, Very Rev'd Thomas Weatherhogg 29, Thomas Wells 30, Derek Houston 30, Elsie Murphy 31, Christine McIntosh 31, Joshua Nuzum I.

Views from the Pews - Patriot

It's time for another book review. 'Patriot' is a personal and political memoir written by the late Alexei Navalny, who died in mysterious circumstances while a prisoner of the Russian state in 2024. It is clear that the author sees himself as patriotic, but argues that true patriotism has a strictly moral - and self-denying - basis. Navalny believed in a Russia free of state-enabled crime where ordinary Russians were free to reach their own potential. He was a devoted family man, a husband and father, and we are left in no doubt about the effect his persecution had on his wife. He actively walked towards danger, arguing for a better Russia that would once again be worthy of Tolstoy, Pushkin, Sakharov, Tchaikovsky and Rimsky-Korsakoff.

But Navalny never brands himself as a martyr - self pity never emerges onto the page. Only his love for his fellow Russians.

The latter part of the book is written while in detention, and must be approached with a degree of caution as we can only assume excerpts must have either been smuggled out, or were censored by the authorities. So parts may not be 'true' or 'complete' as they might have been had they been written by an outside observer. Much might be written in code, and so the reader might feel entitled to read between the lines.

But Navalny was often held in solitary confinement, his main contacts being his guards, many of whom emerge as human. Fellow prisoners were seldom seen. So there is a strange crossover with the situation of the solitary monk, whose accommodation too is typically described as a 'cell'. The author presents this as an opportunity for reflection upon life's real priorities, and here the book acquires its real value. What do you do when in isolation?

Navalny decides to observe Lent. This is different to his well-known hunger strike. It is a self-imposed discipline that might not otherwise be expected of a Soviet-era Army child who would have learned to stay well away from overt religion. Navalny also reads his Bible. He does not say how he came by it but never claims that it was forbidden by his gaolers - it may after all have been on a list of permitted books.

But Navalny never brands himself as a Christian - all he leaves us with is the value he found in those practices which we are free to take up or leave, as the mood takes us.

Richard Swarbrick

Thanksgiving of the People of God

A New Zealand Prayer Book, page 404

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Te Minitatanga o te Kupu me ngā Īnoi
The Ministry of Word and Prayer

The Introit - O God the King of glory - *Purcell (1659-1695)*

Te Whakatikatika | The Gathering of the Community

Opening Hymn (*please stand in body or spirit / e tū tātou*)

O perfect love, all human thought transcending,
lowly we kneel in pray'r before thy throne,
that theirs may be the love which knows no ending,
whom thou for evermore dost join in one.

O perfect life, be thou their full assurance
of tender charity and steadfast faith,
of patient hope and quiet, brave endurance,
with childlike trust that fears not pain nor death.

Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow,
grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife;
and to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
that dawns upon eternal love and life.

Dorothy Francis Gurney (1858-1932)

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

This is the day which the Lord has made.

Ko te rā tēnei i hangā e Ihowā.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Kia hari, kia koa tātou.

Let us pray,

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.

Gathering of the Children *(all children are welcome to join junior church in the hall, children under five must be accompanied by a carer.)*

Te Hohou i te Rongo | Forgiveness

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

Liturgist

Hear the teaching of Christ:

a new commandment I give to you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

Spirit of God, search our hearts.

Hear God's word to all who turn to Christ:

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just,
and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from every kind of wrong.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent,
turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.

In silence we call to mind our sins.

Silence

Let us confess our sins.

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.

We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.

Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

The presiding priest declares the absolution,

Through the cross of Christ,
God have mercy on you,
pardon you
and set you free.
Know that you are forgiven
and be at peace.
God strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in life eternal.
Amen.

I runga i te mana o Īhu Karaiti,
ka murua e te Atua ō koutou
hara, ka wetekina ngā mekameka
e here nei i a koutou, ka unuhia
ngā māuiuitanga e pēhi nei i a
koutou. E mea ana te Karaiti,
Haere mai, haere, i runga i te
rangimārie. **Āmine.**

Korōria ki te Atua | The Gloria

(sung by the choir, please stand in body or spirit / 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.**

Liturgist

The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

Kia mau te rongo o te Karaiti ki ō tātou ngākau.

The word of Christ dwell in us richly.

Kia hira ake te noho o tāna kupu ki a tātou.

Te Īnoi o te Rā | The Collect

**God of mercy,
you have blessed us beyond our dreams;
you have set before us promises and perils
beyond our understanding;
help us to struggle and pray
that the perils may be averted
and your promises fulfilled.
Hear this prayer for your love's sake. Amen.**

Ngā Karaipiture | The Readings

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

A reading from the first book of Kings (3:5-12)

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.'

[Translation – New Revised Standard Version (Anglicised)]

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

Psalm 119: 129-136 (*please stand in body or spirit / e tū tātou*)



- 129 Your in'struction · is ' wonderful:
therefore I ' keep it · with ' all my ' heart.
- 130 The unfolding of your ' word gives ' light:
and those who are untaught re'ceive ' under'standing.
- 131 I open my ' mouth and ' sigh:
with ' longing · for ' your com'mandments.
- 132 Turn to me and be ' merci · ful ' to me:
as is your ' way with ' those who ' love you.
- 133 Keep steady my footsteps, according ' to your ' promise:
and let no evil get ' master · y ' over ' me.
- 134 Rescue me from ' human · op'pression:
so that ' I may ' keep your ' precepts.
- 135 Let your face ' shine · on your ' servant:
and ' teach me ' your de'crees.
- 136 Tears stream ' from my ' eyes:
because people ' do not ' heed your ' law.

**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 of Paul to the Romans (8:26-39)

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

‘For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.’

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. [NRSVA]

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Gradual Hymn (*please stand in body or spirit / e tū tatou*)

— 1 —

King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
and, that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my appeal,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my ardent zeal,
thou hast spared me.

— 2 —

Wherefore with my utmost art,
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me,
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.

Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n,
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heav'n,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
e'en eternity's too short
to extol thee.

George Herbert (1593-1633)

Te Rongopai | 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 Matthew (13:31-33, 44-52)

Praise and glory to God.

Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'

'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

[NRSVA]

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

Te Kauwhau | The Sermon

He Tikanga Whakapono | The Affirmation of Faith

(please stand in body or spirit / e tū tātou)

Liturgist: Let us stand and together affirm our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
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,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became fully human.
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;
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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
and has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Ngā Īnoi a te Iwi | The Prayers of the People

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

The intercessor may use one of the following responses:

God of grace		God of love		Lord, in your mercy
you hear our prayer.		grant our prayer.		hear our prayer.

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

Merciful God, you look with compassion on all who turn to you.
Hear the prayers of your people.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace
receive; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Te Minitatanga o te Hākarameta The Ministry of the Sacrament

Te Maungārongo | The Peace (*please stand in body or spirit / e tū tatou*)

Kia tau tonu te rangimārie o te Ariki ki a koutou.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

E te whānau, we are the body of Christ.

By one Spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

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

Offertory Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
naught be all else to me save that thou art;
thou my best thought in the day and the night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, and I thy true heir;
thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
be thou my armour, and be thou my might,
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,
raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I need not, nor all the world's praise,
thou mine inheritance through all my days;
thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!!

High King of heaven, when battle is done,
grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heav'n's sun;
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Irish (c.8th century) tr. M. Byrne (1880-1931), E. Hull (1860-1935)

Te Whakatikatika i te Ohaoha | Preparation of the Gifts

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

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

Te Whakawhetai Nui | 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.

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 right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image; in all our diversity, you created us.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature.

By his death on the cross, he made the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world and freed us from the bondage of sin.

You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory.

In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying/singing:

**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.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; 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: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ; your death we show forth;
your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await;
Amen! Come Lord Jesus.**

Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

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

Te Hākari Tapu | The Communion

The Lord's Prayer

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

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.**

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.

**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.**

Hōmai ki a mātou āiane
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

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.

Te Reme a te Atua | 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.

Te Pōwhiri | The Invitation

Draw near and receive the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ
in remembrance that he died for us.

Let us feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The minister says the following to each person.

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you.

Ko te tinana o tō tātou Ariki, i tukua nei mōu.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which was shed for you.

Ko ngā toto o tō tātou Ariki, i whakahekea nei mōu.

The communicant may respond each time Amen / Āmine.

All are welcome to receive communion. If communion is not your tradition, we invite you to come forward for a blessing, simply put an arm across your chest and a blessing will be given.

Please come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive the bread and wine or a blessing. Please ask if you need a gluten free wafer.

In the Anglican tradition, we use the common cup, with wine of a high alcohol content, in a silver vessel, to minimise infection risks. If you do not wish to receive the wine, communion is fully valid in one kind, either bread or wine, or you may wish to simply lift the cup, to show reverence and receive spiritually.

Please note, the practice of intinction is not permitted.

If you would like to light a candle for someone you love, or to give thanks to God, please feel free to do so at the back of the cathedral.

Anthem Jesu dulcis memoria - Victoria (1548-1611)

*The memory of Jesus is sweet, giving the heart true joys.
But sweeter than honey and everything is his presence.*

Ngā Īnoi mō muri i te Hapa | Prayer After Communion

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace
and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name. **Amen.****

Gathering of the children

Te Manaakitanga | Blessing *(please stand in body or spirit / e tū tātou)*

The love of God enfold you, the power of Christ protect you, the leading of the Spirit guide you; and the blessing of Almighty God, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life be with you, with those whom you love, and with those whom you struggle to love, this day and always.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

— 1 —

God is love: let heav'n adore him;
God is love: let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heav'ns above,
he who breathes through all
creation,
he is love, eternal love.

— 2 —

God is love: and he enfoldeth
all the world in one embrace;
with unfailing grasp he holdeth
ev'ry child of ev'ry race;
and when human hearts are breaking
under sorrow's iron rod,
then they find that self-same aching
deep within the heart of God.

— 3 —

God is love: and though with blindness
sin afflicts the human soul,
God's eternal loving-kindness
guides and heals and makes us whole.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever
o'er the universe must reign.

Timothy Rees (1874-1939)

Te Haerenga Atu | The Dismissal of the Community

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

The 10 am service concludes with the organ voluntary, for which you are warmly invited to remain. The voluntary is part of our communal act of worship, and applause is not felt to be appropriate. 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.

	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 26 July 2026	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 August 2026
First Reading	I Kings 3:5-12	Isa 55:1-5
Second Reading	Rom 8:26-39	Rom 9:1-5
Gospel Reading	Matt 13:31-33, 44-52	Matt 14:13-21
	8.00 am	8.00 am
Liturgist	Plex John	Chris Chundau
First Reader	Kerry Burroughs	Susan Allen
Second Reader	Abigail Webber	Jill Bindon
Intercessor	Plex John	Chris Chundau
	10.00 am	10.00 am
Liturgist	Lynn Jamieson	Chris Chundau
Crucifer	Evelyn Prentice	Sophia Khouri
Acolytes	Serein Matthew Elise Cantwell-Knight	Ryan Levin Felicity Prentice
First Reader	Mavis McNaughton	David Wilson
Second Reader	Richard Swarbrick	Sara Young
Intercessor	Anne McAloon	Chris Chundau
Ciborium	Rev'd Robin Olds & Fr Ben Ong	Fr Ben Ong & Dean Julian Perkins
Chalice DB	Binny Matthew & Brian Dingwall	Plex John & Brian Dingwall
Chalice LW	Bryan Bevege & Faith Stewart	Pam McAdam & Franny Edwards
Welcomers	David Wilson & Liz Gilling	Brian Dingwall & Sook Hong
Morning Tea	Barry Barton & Debra Stan Barton	Sonja McElhinney & Marion Francis
Warden/Verger	Brian Dingwall	Plex John

Cantata Vespers - Third Saturday of the month

Next Vespers: 15 August 2026 at 5:00pm

Choral Evensong - Fourth Sunday of the month

Next Evensong: Tonight then 23 August 2026 at 5pm

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Pastoral Care Team

Julian Perkins, Ben Ong, Robin Olds, Vivianne Flintoff, Heather Powell,
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