

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Wainuiomata

3rd Sunday in Lent, Year B – 3 March 2024

Celebrant: Rev Derek Keatley

Preacher: Vance Kapene

Liturgical Assistant: Jackie Dobbs

Derek	Welcome and opening prayer
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PROCESSIONAL HYMN 1 – PRAISE MY SOUL

V.1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To His feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like thee His praise should sing? Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King!	V.2 Praise Him for His grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise Him, still the same forever, Slow to chide, and swift to bless. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Glorious in His faithfulness
V.3 Father-like, He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows; In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Widely as His mercy flows.	V.4 Angels in the height, adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 2 – JESUS, STAND AMONG US

V.1 Jesus, stand among us at the meeting of our lives. Be our sweet agreement at the meeting of our eyes. O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here. Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.	V.2 So to You we're gathering out of each and ev'ry land, Christ, the love between us at the joining of our hands. O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here. Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.
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THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Jackie	<p>In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life. Amen.</p> <p>Grace to you and peace from God our Creator, the love at our beginning and without end, in our midst and with us. God is with us, here we find new life.</p> <p>Let us give thanks for the coming of God's reign of justice and love. Jesus Christ is good news for the poor, release for the captives, recovery of sight for the blind and liberty for those who are oppressed.</p>
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Jackie	<p>We say by alternate half-verses (<i>Benny-die-city</i>) Benedicite Aotearoa</p> <p>O give thanks to our God who is good: whose love endures for ever.</p> <p>You sun and moon, you stars of the southern sky: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>Sunrise and sunset, night and day: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>All mountains and valleys, grassland and scree, glacier, avalanche, mist and snow: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>You kauri and pine, rata and kōwhai, mosses and ferns: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>Dolphins and kahawai, sealion and crab, coral, anemone, pipi and shrimp: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>Rabbits and cattle, moths and dogs kiwi and sparrow and tūi and hawk: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>You Māori and Pākehā, women and men, all who inhabit the long white cloud: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p> <p>All you saints and martyrs of the South Pacific: give to our God your thanks and praise.</p>
Jackie	<p>Please sit.</p> <p>Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned. I will confess my sins to the Lord, I will not conceal my wrongdoings.</p> <p><i>Silence</i></p> <p>God forgives and heals us. We need your healing, merciful God: give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us; some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us; set us free to serve you.</p>
Derek	<p>God forgives you. Forgive others. Forgive yourself.</p> <p><i>Silence</i></p> <p>✠ Through Christ, God has put away your sin: approach your God in peace.</p>

Jackie	The Sentence for the Day (<i>Psalms 19:14</i>) Let the words of my mouth and the thoughts of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord my strength and my redeemer
Jackie	We pray together the Collect : Lord, help us to see: to see what is eternally good and true, and having seen, to go on searching until we come to the joys of heaven. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Hazel	Old Testament Reading <i>Exodus 20:1-17</i>
Patsy	The Epistle <i>1 Corinthians 1:18-25</i>

GRADUAL HYMN – SALVATION BELONGS TO OUR LORD

V.1 Salvation belongs to our God Who sits upon the throne And unto the lamb Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, Honour and power and strength	Chorus: Be to our God forever and ever Be to our God forever and ever Be to our God forever and ever Amen
V.2 And we the redeemed shall be strong In purpose and unity Declaring aloud Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, Honour and power and strength	Chorus: Be to our God forever and ever Be to our God forever and ever Be to our God forever and ever Amen

Vance	The Holy Gospel according to St John <i>Chapter 2, verses 13-22</i> ✠ Praise and Glory to God This is the Gospel of Christ Praise to Christ the Word
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Vance	The sermon
Jackie	<p>We affirm our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed:</p> <p>I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.</p> <p>I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.</p> <p>Affirmation of Faith</p> <p>On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.</p> <p>I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body ☩ and the life everlasting. Amen.</p>
Jackie	We pray now for the church and the world, giving thanks for God's goodness.
Sheila	<i>The prayers of the people are offered.</i>

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

Derek	<p><i>(all standing)</i></p> <p>The peace of God be with you all.</p> <p>In God's justice is our peace.</p> <p>E te whānau / Brothers and sisters, Christ calls us to live in unity.</p> <p>We seek to live in the Spirit of Christ.</p> <p>Let us share the peace with each other.</p>
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OFFETORY HYMN – IN CHRIST ALONE

<p>V.1</p> <p>In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.</p>	<p>V.2</p> <p>In Christ alone! – who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied – For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.</p> <p><i>Continued...</i></p>
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V.3 There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine – Bought with the precious blood of Christ.	V.4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand: Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.
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THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Derek	God of all creation, you bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. By your Holy Spirit this bread and wine will be for us the body and blood of Christ. All you have made is good. Your love endures for ever.
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Derek	<p>The Spirit of God be with you. And also with you. Lift your hearts to heaven where Christ in glory reigns. Let us give thanks to God. It is right to offer thanks and praise.</p> <p>It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin. God's love is shown to us: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.</p> <p>In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.</p>
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By Christ's journey into darkness
 are we all brought home;
 by his agony and bloody sweat
 are we come finally to life;
 the tree of shame is now the tree of glory.
 In your mercy you are now our God.
 Through Christ you gather us,
 new-born in your Spirit,
 a people after your own heart.
 We entrust ourselves to you,
 for you alone do justice
 to all people, living and departed.
**Now is the acceptable time,
 now is the day of salvation.**

Therefore with saints and martyrs,
 apostles and prophets,
 with all the redeemed,
 joyfully we praise you and say:
**Holy, holy, holy:
 God of mercy, giver of life;
 earth and sea and sky
 and all that lives,
 declare your presence and your glory.**

All glory to you, Giver of life
 sufficient and full for all creation.
 Accept our praises,
 living God, for Jesus Christ,
 the one perfect offering for the world,
 who in the night that he was betrayed,
 took bread,
 and when he had given thanks,
 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 when he had given thanks,
 he gave it to them and said:
 Drink this, all of you.
 This is my blood of the new covenant
 which is shed for you, and for many,
 to forgive sin.
 Do this as often as you drink it
 to remember me.
 Therefore, God of all creation,
 in the suffering and death
 of Jesus our redeemer,
 we meet you in your glory.
 We lift up the cup of salvation
 and call upon your name.
 Here and now, with this bread and wine,
 we celebrate your great acts of liberation,
 ever present and living in Jesus Christ,

	<p>crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come. Amen! Come Lord Jesus.</p> <p>May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, our access to you, Father, and source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will. Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love. Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God. Amen.</p>
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THE COMMUNION

Derek	As Christ teaches us, we sing and pray
All	<i>The Lord's Prayer</i>
Derek	<p><i>The priest breaks the bread in silence and then says</i> The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.</p> <p><i>The priest may lift the cup. The priest says</i> The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.</p>

THE INVITATION

Derek	<p><i>Lifting the bread and cup, the priest invites the people, saying</i> Bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God. May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.</p>
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COMMUNION SONG 1 - THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD

V.1

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
His mercies never come to an end.
They are new ev'ry morning,
New ev'ry morning.
Great is thy faithfulness, O Lord !
Great is thy faithfulness.

COMMUNION SONG 2 - BREATHE ON ME

V.1

Breathe on me, breath of God,
Fill me with life anew;
That I may love what Thou dost love
And do what Thou wouldst do.

V.2

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure;
Until my will is one with Thine
To do and to endure.

V.3

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly Thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire divine.

V.4

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.

COMMUNION SONG 3 - HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

V.1

How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that He should give His only Son
to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss
the Father turns His face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen one
bring many sons to glory.

V.2

Behold the man upon a cross,
my sin upon His shoulders;
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

V.3

I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
but this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jackie	<p>Most loving God, creator and redeemer, we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory. Through Christ, and with all your saints, we offer ourselves and our lives to your service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to stand with you in your world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant, our friend and brother. Amen.</p>
Derek	<p>Blessing <i>(Words are <u>not</u> on the Powerpoint)</i></p> <p><i>Suggested words:</i></p> <p>May Christ who calls you to take up your cross, give you strength to bear your own and one another's burdens...</p> <p>...and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. Amen.</p>
Derek	Birthdays and Notices

RECESSIONAL HYMN – I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS

<p>V.1 I have decided to follow Jesus I have decided to follow Jesus I have decided to follow Jesus No turning back, no turning back</p>	<p>V.2 The world behind me, the cross before The world behind me, the cross before The world behind me, the cross before No turning back, no turning back</p>
<p>V.3 Though none go with me, I still will follow, Though none go with me, I still will follow, Though none go with me, I still will follow, No turning back, no turning back.</p>	<p>V.4 Will you decided now to follow Jesus? Will you decided now to follow Jesus? Will you decided now to follow Jesus? No turning back, no turning back.</p>

THE DISMISSAL OF THE COMMUNITY

Jackie	<p>Grace be with you. Thanks be to God.</p> <p>Go in peace. Amen. We go in the name of Christ.</p>
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