



Wesley Wellington

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**Sunday 12 June 2022 Trinity Sunday**

*Haere mai ki tēnei Whare Karakia*  
*Welcome to this House of Prayer*



**We are a multi-racial Christian community:  
Methodist in affiliation – Ecumenical in intention  
Diverse in theology – Inclusive in outreach.**

**Kia ora koutou katoa — Talofa Lava  
Malo e lelei — Bula Vinaka Greetings to you all!**

**Order of Service**  
**10am Congregation**  
**Wesley Methodist Church, 75 Taranaki St**  
**12 June 2022 Trinity Sunday**

**Leader: Philip Garside**  
**Organist: Colin Scarf. Guitar: Heather Garside**

**Welcome & Introduction**

**Hugh**

**Call to Worship**

Today God calls us, and we respond.

**We respond with our prayers and our commitment.**

**We respond with our hopes and our dreams.**

**We respond with our hearts and our minds.**

Today Christ welcomes us, and we enter.

**We enter into this place of quiet and refuge.**

**We enter into this time of reflection and vision.**

**We enter into this space of inspiration and insight.**

Today the Spirit is alive in our midst, and we are thankful.

**We are thankful for opportunities to serve.**

**We are thankful for moments of personal renewal.**

**We are thankful for invitations to share the  
goodness of life with one another.**

Come, be nourished by the fellowship that we share  
and be thankful for all that God has done for us.

**We come, open to a future hope today.**

**We come, seeking to be a part of God's mission. Amen.**

**Lighting the candles**

As we light these candles, we say together:

**Light of lights beholden**

**we from days of olden**

**sang this song**

**for to understand**

**that peace upon this planet**

**was pledged to come.**

**Each to other, sister, brother,**

**born for life and song,**

**look towards the light and carry on:**

**let the simple heart and hope among us  
keep our family strong. Amen.**

### **Opening Prayer**

Source of Life, we praise you,  
the Creator who put in motion  
the atoms and molecules that coalesced  
to create our beautifully interconnected planet-home.

Show us how to restore our beloved planet's health  
from the self-serving damage we've inflicted.

Grant that our children and our children's children  
may live in a world unharmed by extreme climate events.

This we pray, Gracious One, through Jesus Christ,  
our teacher, and the Holy Spirit, who motivates us  
to carry out your will for creation. **Amen.**

### **Hymn: Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts H&P 258. (Tune: Wareham)**

1. Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts!  
Thou Fount of life, thou Light of all!  
From the best bliss that earth imparts  
We turn unfilled to thee again.
2. Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;  
Thou savest those that on thee call;  
To them that seek thee thou art good;  
To them that find thee all in all.
3. We taste thee, O thou living Bread,  
And long to feast upon thee still;  
We drink of thee, the fountain head,  
And thirst our souls from thee to fill.
4. Our restless spirits yearn for thee,  
Where'er our changeful lot is cast;  
Glad, when thy gracious smile we see,  
Blest, when our faith can hold thee fast.
5. Jesus, ever with us stay;  
Make all our moments calm and bright;  
Chase the dark night of sin away,  
Shed o'er the world thy holy light.

### **Prayer of Approach**

God of unfailing love,  
Saviour to whom we belong,  
Spirit of truth,

we worship you – we love you – we trust you.

**We long for wisdom to live well and faithfully  
all the days of our lives.**

You know the fears that bind us.

You know how lost we get sometimes.

**Yet, you search for us and find us;  
you never let us go.**

You pour grace upon grace into our lives.

Then, you send us out

into the world that needs your light.

**As we seek to be what you have called us to be,  
fill our minds so that we observe the world  
through the light and love of Jesus' cross and resurrection.**

**Then, grant us courage to follow the Way of Jesus,  
who is your Truth and your Life. Amen.**

## **Words of Assurance**

Hear now Words of Assurance:

As members of the community of Christ's followers,  
we have been given the gift of God's Holy Spirit.

You carry the power of the Holy Spirit  
within you into the world.

Begin each day by becoming aware  
of the gifts of God within and around you;

then, live from there,

for we are salt for the earth and light in the world.

The healing work that God does in the world  
begins here, now, among us. **Amen.**

## **Story time / Introducing the Theme**

**Song: Bind Us Together.** Words & Music: Bob Gillman (1974)

*Refrain:*

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together

With cords that cannot be broken

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together Lord,

Bind us together with love

- I. There is only one God  
There is only one King  
There is only one body  
That is why we sing.

*Refrain:*

2. You are the family of God  
You are the promise divine  
You are God's chosen desire  
You are the glorious new wine

*Refrain:*

## **Scripture Readings — NRSV**

**Leatuavao Family**

### **Proverbs 8:1-4; 22-31**

*The Gifts of Wisdom*

Does not wisdom call  
and understanding raise her voice?

On the heights, beside the way,  
at the crossroads she takes her stand;  
beside the gates in front of the town,  
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:  
"To you, O people, I call,  
and my cry is to all who live.

*Wisdom's Part in Creation*

"The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of his acts of long ago.

Ages ago I was set up,  
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth,  
when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth,  
when he had not yet made earth and fields  
or the world's first bits of soil.

When he established the heavens, I was there;  
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,  
when he made firm the skies above,  
when he established the fountains of the deep,  
when he assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress his command,  
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,  
then I was beside him, like a master worker,  
and I was daily his delight,  
playing before him always,

playing in his inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race.

## **Psalm 8**

*Divine Majesty and Human Dignity*

*(To the leader: according to The Gittith. A Psalm of David.)*

O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants  
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;  
what are humans that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God  
and crowned them with glory and honour.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,  
all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,  
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

### **Sermon: What is man, that thou art mindful of him?**

**Song: He Hōnore** Words Ringatū karakia. Music: Taina Piripi Ngarimu

*(English translation not sung)*

He Hōnore, he korōria	<i>Honour, glory and</i>
Maungārongo ki te whenua.	<i>peace to the land.</i>
Whakaaro pai e	<i>May good thoughts come</i>
Kingā tangata katoa	<i>to all people</i>
Ake ake, ake ake.	<i>for ever and ever, for ever and ever.</i>
Āmine	<i>Amen.</i>
Te Atua, te piringa,	<i>The Lord is the refuge</i>
Toku oranga.	<i>And my life.</i>

## Community Time

### Sharing the Peace

Let's greet each other saying: **"God's peace be with you."**

### Notices

**Sharing Joys, Things we are Grateful for,  
Sorrows & Concerns**

### Prayers of Intercession

To the bidding: "...God of glory, in your mercy,"  
please respond with: **"hear our prayer"**

### Lord's Prayer [Sung]

**Our Father in heaven  
holy be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Do not put us to the test,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

### Offering

(We also acknowledge offerings made by automatic payment  
and online banking)

### Blessing of Offering (said together)

**Wondrous God, your love knows no end.  
As followers of your way, we, too, seek to extend love.  
May our offerings of money, time and energy  
be an expression of deep mercy and radical love.  
Help us to offer them with generous spirits.  
We give in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

### Hymn: Ye Servants of God H&P 278(ii) (Tune: Laudate Dominum (Parry))

1. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
And publish abroad his wonderful name;  
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol;  
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

2. God ruleth on the height, almighty to save;  
And still he is nigh, his presence we have;  
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.
3. 'Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!'  
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son;  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.
4. Then let us adore and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
All honour and blessing, with angels above  
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

### **Benediction**

The blessing of God, who fashioned us to live with joy,  
the blessing of Jesus, whose footsteps lead us into the heart of life,  
and the blessing of Spirit's arms wrapped around us on our journey,  
the blessing of the Holy Three goes with us everywhere,  
this day, this night, and always.

### **The Grace (Said together)**

**The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. Amen**

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Please join us in the foyer for refreshments following the service.

Thank you to the Garside Family for the refreshments.

Thank you Jima Naikatini for the lovely flowers.