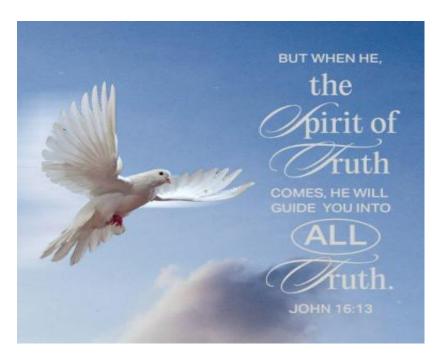


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Haere mai ki tēnei whare karakia - welcome to this house of prayer



Living God's love – acting for the common good

Kia ora koutou katoa — Tālofa lava Mālō e lelei — Bula vinaka — Greetings to you all!

Welcome to today's service. A special welcome to visitors. We hope you will enjoy worshipping with us this morning and will join us again.

Welcoming you today is Daphne Pilaar.

10AM Congregation – Order of Service Worship leader: Kula Bower

Organist: Colin Scarf

WELCOME AND SAFETY BRIEFING:

Call to Worship

God, how majestic is your name! You create, and through creation, we encounter your wisdom and power.

How majestic is the name of God, our Creator!

You redeem, and through Jesus Christ, we encounter your saving love and grace.

How majestic is the name of God, our Redeemer!

You sustains us, and through your Spirit, we encounter your renewing presence.

How majestic is the name of God, our Sustainer!

Come, let us worship the Triune God!

We gather to worship God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three!

Proverbs 8: 1 - 4.

Wisdom's Call

Does not wisdom call out?

Does not understanding raise her voice?

At the highest point along the way, where the paths meet, she takes her stand;

beside the gate leading into the city, at the entrance, she cries aloud:

"To you, O people, I call out; I raise my voice to all mankind.

Lighting of the candle

Opening Prayer

God our Potter, God who becomes clay, God who shapes us in the fire, we are made new in your presence. We come seeking your wisdom, crying out our concerns, needing your peace. Use this time to form us as community, connected through your breath, life, and hope that propels us as your body in the world. Amen.

HYMN (Himene) H&P 66 GREAT is thy faithfulness

1. GREAT is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou for ever wilt be:

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed thy hand has provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

- 2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love:
- 3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)

Prayer of Confession

Great God of all creation,

who are we that you are mindful of us?

You who set the stars in motion,

who launched waves crashing against the shore,

who knows the heights and depths of the world;

Why do you bother with us?

You count the hairs on our heads,

and call us each by name.

You give us your wisdom and you uphold us by your Spirit.

You tend to us and care for us,

and we do not understand why.

We cannot grasp your love for us, O God,

for it is unlike us to be that loving and forgiving.

We become enmeshed

by our own needs and wants and desires

and we fail to see beyond anything but our own little circles.

Turn us around, O God.

Remind us once again of the sacredness

of our ordinary, day-to-day lives.

By your Spirit,

teach us to live truly as beings little lower than angels.

In your mercy, O God,

forgive who we are and bless who we will be. Amen.

Lord's Prayer / He Inoi O Te Ariki (said together)

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi Kia tapu tou Ingoa Kia tae mai tou rangatira-tanga Kia meatia tau e pai ai ki runga i te whenua
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.
Homai ki a mātou aianei
he taro mā mātou mo tēnei ra.
Murua o mātou hara
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whaka-waia;
Engari whaka-orangia mātou, i te kino
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga.
te kaha.
me te kororia.
Ake, ake, ake,
Āmine.

HYMN (Himene) Whakaaria Mai/How Great Thou Art

Russian Hymn translated and arranged Stuart K Hine [Church Hymnary 154]

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy Hands have made; I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Whakaaria mai, tou ripeka ki au Tiaho mai, ra roto I te po Hei kona au, titiro atu ai Ora, mate, hei au koe noho ai When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow, in humble adoration And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Whakaaria mai, tou ripeka ki au Tiaho mai, ra roto I te po Hei kona au, titiro atu ai Ora, mate, hei au koe noho ai

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee How great Thou art, How great Thou art Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

Story for the Children (Korero mo nga Tamariki)

Ministry of the Word (Ngā Pānui Karaipiture)

Psalms 8: 1 - 9

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

Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you

are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.

You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

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

Romans 5: 1 - 5 Peace and Hope

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

John 16: 12-15

"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."

HYMN (Himene) All people that on earth do dwell WOV 10

- All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice: him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make: we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3. Enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
- 4. For why the Lord our God is good; his mercy is for ever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

William Kethe d.1594

Reflection: God who chooses to be known in relationship

Prayer After Reflection

Heavenly Father, we thank you for this time we've had together in your presence. Help us to remember in the hustle and bustle of daily life that our time together and our time with you is ultimately what matters most. Help us to carve out time in our busy schedules for fellowship, to encourage one another, and point one another toward you. Help us to value our brothers and sisters in Christ and to see our need for one another. Thank you for making us one family under you. We love you, Lord. Amen.

Notices

Offering (Tātou Koha Ki Te Hāhi)

Offertory Prayer (Tuku karakia)

Majestic and Holy God, Creator of all that is seen and unseen, we bring these gifts in awe of Your glory revealed in the heavens and here among us. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect your wisdom and share your love, building a world that proclaims your majesty. Through your Spirit, pour your grace into our lives, that our service may mirror the love You have shown us in Christ, lifting our voices with creation to declare, "How Majestic is Your name in all the earth!" In the name of the Holy Trinity, we pray. Amen.

HYMN (Himene) Filled with The Spirit's Power, With One Accord H&P 314

- Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord
 The infant church confessed its risen Lord.
 O Holy Spirit, in the church today
 No less your power of fellowship display.
- Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
 That unity may be our great desire.
 Give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call,
 And readiness in each to work for all.
- 3. Widen our love, good Spirit, to embrace
 With your compassion all the human race.
 Like wind and fire with life among us move,
 Till we are known as Christ's, and Christian prove.

John Peacey 1896-1971

Extinguishing the candle

Commission & Benediction

Go out and in all of life, worship the Lord. Entrust yourself to the winds of God's Spirit; put to death selfish desires, and offer yourself for God's mission in the world. And may God give strength to you and to all; May Christ Jesus bless you with peace; And may the Holy Spirit, whispering within your hearts,give you assurance that we are God's children.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord, ...In the name of Christ. Amen.

HOSPITALITY

We extend a warm invitation to everyone to gather now for kai in the New Hall.

Thank you to the Heger family for providing refreshments this morning.

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Opening Prayer

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Prayer of Confession

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