

Worship Details

St. Peter's Church

8 am Holy Communion

9.30 am Holy Communion & Baptism

St. Luke's Church

9.30 am Holy Communion



Readings

Acts 2.42-47

1 Peter 2.19-25

John 10.1-10

Sentence

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord. I know my own and my own know me. (John 10.14)

Collect

Loving Shepherd,
you lead us nowhere you yourself have not been:
call us by name,
lift us high upon your shoulders,
and bring us to your fold;
in trust we pray. Amen.

Post Communion Sentence

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. (John 10.11)

Prayer Focus - Please Pray

- * Give thanks for the Baptism of Sophia.
- * For The family and friends of Olive Jones. Olive's funeral service will be 10.30 am on Monday.
- * For the Bush Inn Centre businesses.
- * For those known to us who are sick or having an operation - Craig Anthony, Phyllis Hay, Takeshi Hasegawa, Sunita Rai, David Kent, Mary Hewson, Graeme Cox, John Robb, Keith Spragg, Audrey Armstrong.
- * For our year of strengthening.
- * For the City Mission and Aranui Parishes.
- * For the fundraising of St. Peter's Church Restoration.
- * For the Chatham Islands; the Parish of Cheviot; NZ Anglican Church Pension Board; The Diocesan Pension Committee.

Mission News

Our Mission Table Today is for the work of Anne and Anthony McCormick in Cambodia. Anne and Anthony are here today to share some of their experiences as Missionaries. They have cards and paper for sale.

....Irene Coman

Operation Christmas Child - you can read the incredible stories coming in from distributions of the shoe boxes - visit nzadmin@samaritanspurse.org.au.

Food Basket - Thank you all very much for the donations of food for the food basket each week. Ken James took a car load to Aranui last week. They are very thankful for these gifts.

Sermons are on
the web



is available

Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper
Riccarton-Yaldhurst

St. Peter's & St. Luke's Churches

Sunday 7 May 2017

EASTER IV

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

From John, Our Deacon Assistant

Psalm 23 Not Just for funerals

Psalm 23 is the appointed psalm for this Sunday's liturgy.

The fourth Sunday of Easter is often called Good Shepherd Sunday because we hear this psalm and the reading from John 10 where Jesus is described as the Good Shepherd.

Psalm 23 has become a popular reading at funerals; and the words are very comforting.

But it is also a wonderful psalm for meditative prayer – reading each verse slowly and listening to God's Spirit speaking to us. As we do a beautiful picture of our King of Love emerges:

*God, my shepherd!
I don't need a thing.
You lay me down in lush meadows,
you find me quiet pools to drink from.*

*You let me catch my breath
and send me in the right direction.
Even when the way goes through Death Valley,
I'm not afraid when you walk at my side.*

*You serve me a six-course dinner
right in front of my enemies.
You revive my drooping head;
my cup brims with blessing.*

*Your beauty and love chase after me
every day of my life.
I'm back home in the house of God
for the rest of my life. (The Message)*

....John



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News in the Parish

TODAY *.....

* **We welcome to the 8 am and 9.30 am services two Guest Speakers - Anne and Anthony McCormick.** Our Mission Table supports their Missionary work.

* **At the 9.30 am service we welcome to Jesus' family through baptism - Sophia Sakurako Ya Fang Chien;** supported by her family - Daniel, Yumiko and Josephine, their family and friends.

* **Flowers in St. Luke's Church** have been given in memory of Marjorie Chappell by her family.

Trees Talk

Come and hear them with Dennys Guild on Sunday 14 May, 2 pm. We will be walking around the Church grounds and finding out about more of the magnificent specimens that we simply take for granted. Meet at the Parish Hall, 22 Main South Road, Christchurch.

Duration 1.5 hours. Afternoon tea provided. Free entry. Postponement date if weather inclement - 21 May. All welcome.

Church Restoration Fundraising

Plans are being made (thanks to suggestion and participation by Philip Robinson) for people to enter this year's Christchurch Marathon at Queen's Birthday - Sunday 4th June. If you would like to do the run you are most welcome but most will join in the 10K walk. If you are interested in taking part or sponsoring someone who is, please speak to David Winfield.

A number of parishioners have made contributions to our fundraising for which we are extremely grateful. However if you have yet to do so and would like to talk over the options of how to go about this please speak to David. We are currently preparing a document to set out the information and will be happy to talk you through this.

Annual General Meeting

Copies of the Minutes from the meeting held last Sunday, 30 April, are on the table for those interested.

First Aid Certificate

If you have a current First Aid Certificate would you inform Heather Caspersen - 942.8226 or Jo Winfield - 322.8723.

October Plant Sale

Autumn is the optimum time to pot up plants for the annual Plant Sale - and also the right time to tidy-up your garden before winter.

Many plants can be lifted and divided now - some examples are hostas, paeonies, dahlias, penstemon, alstromeria, day-lilies, hellaboros, agapanthus, bergenia etc, and also most bulbs - eg lilies, tulips, daffodils etc.

There are pots and lots of potting-mix in the shed by the Garage - please help yourselves.

We are willing to assist you dig up plants if necessary.

Contact Jill Lyall - ph. 3581115; Jan Noonan - ph. 3486473.

Rosters for Readers, Intercessors, Chalice, Servers, Worship Leaders etc. are on the table for those without email. If your duty doesn't suit and you have arranged a swop please inform Jo Winfield - ph. 322.8723, email: jo.winfield49@gmail.com - Thank you.

Parish Roll - new copies available from the office.

The 'A Team' is a group of people (male and female) who meet most Fridays from 9 am - noon to carry out voluntary work around St. Peter's Church grounds and also for fellowship. *Please ph. Dennys on 357.4204 if you could join in.*

Giving Receipts for envelope and automatic payments are now on the table by the door. If anyone would like information about giving by automatic payment, envelope, or pay roll, please contact Edwin Boyce on 344.5257, or Pamela at the office, 348.5653. You are invited to give your refund to the St. Peter's Church Restoration Fund.

News Beyond the Parish

Canterbury Philharmonia Concert - Today at 2.30 pm, 154 Armagh Street. Tickets at the door - Adults \$25, Under 18 - \$10. *See details on noticeboard.*

Council seeks community feedback....

1/ Future of Heritage in Christchurch & Banks Peninsula Survey - what does heritage mean to us?

Follow the questions online at:

<https://ccc.govt.nz/the-council/have-your-say/consultations/show/15>

2/ Liquor Licence Application - 8 Yaldhurst Rd.

"Potentially interested people" are given the opportunity to express their concerns, if any.

There are already 31 licensed premises in the Church Corner 1km radius.

<http://www.ccc.govt.nz/consents-and-licences/business-licences-and-consents/alcohol/objecting-to-a-grant-for-a-licence/>

This Week's Diary

Monday 8 May

Walking Group - 1.30 pm, Riccarton Domain.

Tuesday 9 May

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Staff Meeting - 9.30 am, York Room.

Exercise Class - 9.30 am, Parish Hall.

Mainly Music - 11 am, Parish Hall.

Homestead Service - 11 am.

Create with Fibre - 1 - 3.30 pm.

Mayfair Service - 3 pm.

Wednesday 10 May

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Administrators' Meeting, 12.30 pm.

Holy Communion - 10.00 am, Parish Hall.

Fundraising Committee - 2 pm, Bowden Hall.

Thursday 11 May

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room.

Walking Group - 9.30 am, Burnside Park.

Coffee & Chat - 10 am - noon, York Room.

Choir practice - 7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

Friday 12 May

Morning Prayer - 9 am.

'A Team' - 9 am - noon. Meet at hall.

English Conversation Class - 4-6 pm, Petersgate.

Youth Orchestra/Band - 6 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Group - 7 - 8.30 pm, Bowden Hall.



Gateway

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date for

articles

Wednesday

17 May

Email to Jen

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the office

Next Week's Readings

Acts 7: 55-60

1 Peter 2: 2-10

John 14: 1-14