## Worship Details

#### St. Peter's Church

8.00 am Holy Communion 9.30 am Holy Communion with Baptism.

#### St. Luke's Church

9.30 am Holy Communion

**Readings** Isaiah 56.1,6-8

Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15.21-28

#### Sentence

Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly. (Matthew 15.28)

#### Collect

God of all, whether Jew or Gentile, free us from the prejudice of believing that we alone are your chosen people: help us to see you in the neighbour of your choosing and in the enemy of our making; for you are this world's redeemer, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Post Communion Sentence**

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity. (Psalm 133.1)

## Prayer Focus - Please Pray .....

- \* Give thanks for Amelie Rose Thorpe.
- \* Give thanks to the 8 people exploring baptism.
- \* For those known to us who are sick or having an operation Craig Anthony, David Kent, Phyllis Hay, Estelle Laugesen, Lyn Hawke, Phyllis Cochrane, Craig, Owen Webber.
- \* For our year of strengthening.
- \* For the Diocesan Synod and our Reps.
- \* For continuing generous support for St. Peter's restoration campaign.
- \* For Bishop Victoria.
- \* For the Parish of Hororata; NZ Bible Society and Scripture Union.

#### Mission News

The Children's Bible Ministry has had some amazing results. Mothers noticed a change in their children and then wanted something for themselves. A church began from the Children's Bible Programme

....Irene

**Sunday Parking** is available at **Petersgate** when there is no room in the church grounds. There is a walkway from there as well.

Sermons are on the web



is available

# Welcome

To the Anglican Parish of Upper Riccarton-Yaldhurst

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

20 August 2017 Ordinary Sunday XX

Theme for the Year: Strengthening

#### From Our Vicar....

"Take care," we say to each other as we part. "Take care of yourself today," a kind person said to me. It's all really well meant and maybe I wouldn't have this disgusting cold if I had listened to them! But if anyone was saying that to Jesus he really wasn't listening.

In today's Gospel he deliberately puts himself in harm's way. He is a foreigner in a hostile area, the region of Tyre and Sidon. It wasn't like a Crusaders fan in Otago, it was more like an ISIS follower in the Pentagon! Not only does he put himself in harm's way - Jews and non Jews didn't get along - but he continues to break the rules. He talks to a non Jewish woman, about her sick daughter, and then he cares enough and risks enough to heal her. Not only is he not taking care, he is heading in the right direction to get crucified.

One man whom I deeply respected had at his funeral the quote:-

"Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming Wow! What a Ride!"

Next time someone says to me "take care." I'm going to say, "thanks but I've got other plans."

....Nick

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## News in the Parish

We welcome **Amalie Rose Thorpe** to Jesus' family through Baptism today at the 9.30 am service; supported by her family and friends.

Congratulations to Fay Mangos on receiving a Volunteering Canterbury Volunteer Recognition Award. Fay has been a volunteer at Petersgate Counselling Centre since its inception in 1996. She has gifted over 5,000 hours of time to voluntary office work there. Fay also helps organise programmes for Mainly Music and the English Conversation Class for new migrants. Well done Fay.

#### **Youth Orchestra in the News**

Our Youth Orchestra was mentioned in this week's Bay Harbour News. In an article about the successful Sea Sunday Service held in Lyttelton, the paper said:"The Youth Orchestra from St. Peter's Church, Upper Riccarton performed and they were 'just brilliant', said Port Hills MP, Ruth Dyson, who attended the service."
....John Mclister

#### Parish Race Day - Saturday 9 September

Parishioners and friends are invited to this special day where there will be a private box, cash bar, race books and entry fees provided; and a sumptuous meal - all for \$30. Please put your name on the board on the table by the door at Church, or contact Pamela at the office.

#### Garage Sale - Saturday 23 September 9.00am

I will be looking for helpers to set up and unpack on Thursday 21st, for pricing on the Friday, and working on the Saturday. Please remember that there are some items that we cannot accept: computer parts, printers, fax machines, video players and videos, TVs, children's car seats, and electric blankets. Storage is a bit of a problem for the larger items of furniture, so please hold these till nearer the day.

Also, if you have any new or near new clothing - in pristine condition; washed or dry cleaned; please drop this into the office or church ..... Gwen Guild 357.4204

#### **Church Seating**

Please keep the access doors into the York Room from Church clear on a Sunday. There are usually plenty of seats at the front or on the far side by the choir.

**Rosters** are on the table for:- Morning Tea Set Up prior to 9.30 am service and Morning Tea Helpers for after the 9.30 am service. We do need more helpers for these duties - please give Pamela a call if you can help.

Christmas Shoe Boxes - bring joy to children's lives
Please take a box or two and an information slip. This will
tell you what to put and what not to put in the box. Then
do label it with the appropriate sticker i.e. girl or boy.
Thank you all.

Lyttelton Seafarers Centre - **Ceilidh Scottish Barn Dance** Saturday 26 Aug, 6.30 pm - 10 pm. Lyttelton Recreation Centre. *See details on noticeboard.* 

#### Gateway Magazine ...



Thank you to our dedicated team of Gateway Magazine bundlers.

If you are not on a delivery list please do take a copy from the table.

You can also view on line.

Next closing date for articles is 20 September - Spring Edition. Please send your articles in asap to Seokjen@yahoo.com.sg and a copy to Pamela.

#### **Glass Fusion Jewellery**

You can join the Upper Riccarton Methodist Church Creative Leisure class to make colourful pendants on Tuesday 29 August at 12.30 pm, Upper Riccarton Methodist Church, 3 Brake Street. Sally Buck is the tutor. Please Ph. Judy to register or for more info - 358.5335.

## This Week's Diary

### **Monday 21 August**

Sharing & Caring - 10 am, 111a Yaldhurst Road.

Walking Group - 1.30 pm. Riccarton Domain.

#### **Tuesday 22 August**

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. Create with Fibre - 1 - 3.30 pm.

#### Wednesday 23 August

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Holy Communion - 10.00 am, Parish Hall. Vestry Meeting - 7.30 pm.

#### **Thursday 24 August**

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. Walking Group - 9.30 am, Jellie Park. Coffee & Chat - 10 am - noon, York Room. Care Bears - 7 pm, York Room. Choir practice - 7.30 pm, Parish Hall.

#### Friday 25 August

Morning Prayer - 9 am, York Room. 'A Team' - 9 am - noon. Meet at Hall. English Conversation Class - 3.45 - 5.45 pm, Bowden Hall.

Youth Orchestra - 6 - 7 pm, Bowden Hall. Youth Group - 7 - 8.30 pm, Bowden Hall.

NEXT

SUNDAY

27 August at 11 am

is our

Family Service

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Plan to

bring your

grand kids

and enjoy

a different

kind of

worship.

Everyone

is welcome.

**Next Week's Readings** 

Isaiah 51: 1-6 Romans 12: 1-8 Matthew 16: 13-20

