

Today's Services

9am: Sunday p.456

Rev Gaelyn Brake

Liturgist:

Godfrey Rinemhota

Welcome

♪ *Be Thou my Vision*

Gathering: p.456

Confession p.458/9

Sentence & Collect

1st Reading:

1 Kgs 3: 5-12

Ps 119: 129-136

2nd Reading:

Rom 8: 26-39

♪ *Thy Kingdom is within you*

Gospel:

Matt 13: 31-33, 44-52

Sermon :

Rev Gaelyn Brake

Affirmation: p 461

Prayers:

Godfrey Rinemhota

Lord's Prayer p.465

The Peace: p.466

Offertory

♪ *Bless the Lord O my Soul*

Communion: p.467

♪ *So You would Come/Open Our Eyes Lord*

Prayer/Blessing/

Notices

♪ *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Dismissal p.473 screen

Sentence Of The Day

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

Collect Of The Day

God of mercy, you have blessed us beyond our dreams; you have set before us promises and perils beyond our understanding; help us to struggle and pray that the perils may be averted and your promises fulfilled. Hear this prayer for your love's sake. Amen.

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Readings For The Week

Monday 27 July 2020

Ps 1,(2,3)

1 Sam 10:1-16

Luke 22:24-30

Tuesday 28 July 2020

Ps 5,(6)

1 Sam 10:17-end

Luke 22:31-38

Wednesday 29 July 2020

Ps 119:1-32

1 Sam 11

Luke 22:39-46

Thursday 30 July 2020

Ps (14),15,(16)

1 Sam 12

Luke 22:47-62

Friday 31 July 2020

Ps (17),19

1 Sam 13:5-18

Luke 22:63-end

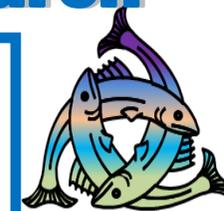
Saturday 1 August 2020

Ps (20,21),23

1 Sam 13:19-14:15

Luke 23:1-12

St Luke's Anglican Church



26 July 2020 Ordinary 17

9am : Holy Communion Services Pg. 456

Presider and Preacher: Rev Gaelyn Brake

Liturgist: Godfrey Rinemhota

Prayer is available during communion at 9am service in the Chapel.

Reflection for Sunday, July 26, 2020, OS17

Epistle Passage: Romans 8.26-39

This reflection brings us to the end of Romans chapter 8, and Paul's teaching on the work of the Holy Spirit. In this passage Paul concentrates on two parts of the Spirit's work. First, the Spirit assists our prayers. It is not always clear what we should pray. God sees the big picture; we see only a small part of God's plan. We need guidance as we pray. Silence is an important part of our prayer as we lift our minds and hearts to God in openness to His Spirit. It can sometimes be helpful to let our thoughts wander and let the Holy Spirit take those wandering thoughts; God can and does communicate with us by guiding our thoughts. Prayer is a two-way process as we listen in silence and also speak to God about our concerns.

Second, there is the wonderful assertion that 'all things work together for good for those who love God'. But how do we love God? Loving God is nothing less than the obedient response of one's whole being. We love God with our whole heart and mind and soul and strength (Matthew 22.34ff). This expresses our belief in the sovereignty of God. We are all in God's hands and God can bring good out of our sinful lives. We put ourselves in God's hands and in faith believe that He can bring good out of evil. This is the right response for Christians to make to the current epidemic. It is worthwhile to sum up the main features of the work of the Holy Spirit as we find them in Romans 8. The chapter does not deal with specific ethical issues that the Christian might face in daily life. Like most of the New Testament teaching on ethics we are given broad, general principles: live in the Spirit; set the mind on things of the Spirit; act in a way that is pleasing to God; allow the Spirit to nurture in us a sense of sonship which involves obedience; treat the environment as involved in the cosmic plan of salvation; live in hope of sharing the fullness of glory. As we live our everyday lives in the world we are faced with specific ethical issues that involve our behaviour or our reaction to the behaviour of others. The Spirit will guide us to patterns that please God.

Reverend Dr. Calum Gilmour

This Week

ST LUKES PROGRAMME:

Sunday 26 July 2020

9am Holy Communion
12pm Healing Service

Tuesday 28 July 2020

6pm Vestry Meeting

Wednesday 29 July 2020

10am Holy Communion

Sunday 2 August 2020

9am Holy Communion

Wednesday 5 August 2020/AAW

10am Holy Communion

Notices

Service Roster – August 2020

Readers/ hosts/ Morning tea and Powerpoint

Please let the office know whether you available to do these duties.



Upcoming Events



Next Messy Church

Join the Messy Church team at St Barnabas Church 16 School Road Ngongotaha on Sunday 26 July 2020 At 4.00pm

Continuing the 9 am service:

Over the past week, regular attendees were surveyed for their views on whether to continue with the 9 am service or return to two services at 8 and 10 am. The parish is pretty evenly split - many wish to return to the usual, but almost equal number wish to stay with the one service at 9 am. Given that a new vicar will be appointed in the near future, it has been decided to leave services as they are at present.

Anne Chrisp, priest-in-charge

Important: PARISH CONCERNS

Any Parish concerns can be discussed with the Priest in Charge or make an appointment to see me.

Thank you, Priest in Charge
Rev Anne Chrisp

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As the incidence of Coronavirus in New Zealand increases, just a few tips to help keep our congregations safe:

- Ask celebrants, liturgists and communion assistants to wash and dry their hands thoroughly with soap and water, before the service, as well as:
- Using hand sanitiser after exchanging 'The Peace'
- Please, don't use intinction as a means of taking communion in church.

Healing at St Luke's

There is an active Healing Group in St Luke's (Order of St Luke the physician). They meet at 12pm in the Chapel on the 4th Sunday of the Month, (from January to November) followed by a shared lunch. About 3 times a year there is a healing service.

All who are interested in Christian Healing are welcome, whether to ask for healing - or to pray for healing for others. There is also anointing for healing (for yourself or someone else) during communion at the 9am service on the first Sunday.

There is also prayer in the chapel at every 9am Service except the first Sunday.

To find out more contact Rev. Gary Husband 2160074

Thought for the week

Always end your day with a positive thought.
No matter how things are, tomorrow is another chance to make things better.