

HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL
10.00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

26 July 2020

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
TE RĀTAPU TEKAU MĀ WHITU O HE WĀ NOA IHO

Presider

The Reverend Ivica Gregurec, *Cathedral Precentor*

Preacher

The Reverend Sarah West, *Cathedral Curate*

Liturgist

Jessica Hughes

Readers

Brian Davis

Pam Rose

Setting

Short Communion Service, Thomas Tallis



Welcome to the Cathedral Eucharist.

Following the welcome and notices a period of silence is observed into which the Choir offers the following introit.

Introit

God so loved the world, John Stainer

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Please stand, when the Bell is rung.

Processional Hymn

1

Let all creation dance
in energies sublime,
as order turns with chance,
unfolding space and time
for nature's art in glory grows,
and newly shows
God's mind and heart.

2

God's breath each force unfurls,
igniting from a spark
expanding starry swirls,
with whirlpools dense and dark.
Though moon and sun seem mindless things,
each orbit sings:
'Your will be done.'

Text: B. Wren

3

Our own amazing earth,
with sunlight, cloud and storms
and life's abundant growth
in lovely shapes and forms,
is made for praise, a fragile whole,
and from its soul
heaven's music plays.

4

Lift heart and soul and voice:
in Christ all praises meet
and nature shall rejoice
as all is made complete.
In hope be strong, all life befriend
and kindly tend
creation's song.

Tune: Darwall's 148, AM 539

The Gathering

E te whānau a te Karaiti, welcome to this holy table;
welcome to you, for we are Christ's body,
Christ's work in the world.

Welcome to you whose baptism makes you
salt of the earth and light to the world.

Rejoice and be glad.

Praise God who gives us forgiveness and hope.

Amen. Christ is our light, the joy of our salvation.

Praise and glory to Christ,
God's new beginning for humanity
making ritual water gospel wine,
cleansing all our worship.

Love and loyalty to Christ, who gives us the gospel.

Praise to Christ who calls us to holiness.

Please sit.

Preschoolers and Cathedral Kids (Year 0-Year 6) come forward to receive their candle and a prayer of blessing. They depart for their activities, to return during Communion. If there are any young people visiting, please come and join in.

The Confession

We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be and do as members of Christ's body.

Silence

In God there is forgiveness.

**Loving and all-seeing God,
forgive us where we have failed
to support one another
and to be what we claim to be.**

**Forgive us where we have failed to serve you;
and where our thoughts and actions
have been contrary to yours
we ask your pardon.**

Kyrie is sung by the Choir.

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

The Absolution

✠ God forgives us; be at peace.

Silence

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection,
reconciliation for all the human race.

We shall all be one in Christ, one in our life together.

**Praise to God who has created us,
praise to God who has accepted us,
praise to God who sends us into the world.**

Please stand.

Gloria is sung by the Choir.

Glory be to God on high and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence

God of new joy, nothing can compare to the kingdom of heaven. Help us to pursue your reign with all of our strength, that our happiness will one day be made complete. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit.

First Reading 1 Kings 3:5-12

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 119:129-136

The congregation repeats the response **R.** after the Cantor, and between each verse.



Your instruction is wonderful:
therefore I keep it with all my heart.
The unfolding of your word gives light:
and those who are untaught receive understanding. **R.**

I open my mouth and sigh:
with longing for your commandments.
Turn to me and be merciful to me:
as is your way with those who love you. **R.**

Keep steady my footsteps, according to your promise:
and let no evil get mastery over me.
Rescue me from human oppression:
so that I may keep your precepts. **R.**

Let your face shine on your servant:
and teach me your decrees.
Tears stream from my eyes:
because people do not heed your law. **R.**

Second Reading Romans 8:26-39

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn

1

God has spoken - by the prophets,
spoken the unchanging word;
each from age to age proclaiming
God the one, the righteous Lord;
in the world's despair and turmoil
one firm anchor still holds fast:
God eternal reigns for ever,
God the first and God the last.

2

God has spoken - by Christ Jesus,
Christ, the everlasting Son;
brightness of the Father's glory,
with the Father ever one:
spoken by the Word incarnate,
Life, before all time began,
Light of Light, to earth descending,
God, revealed as Son of Man.

3

God is speaking - by the Spirit speaking to our hearts again;
in the ageless Word declaring God's own message, now as then.
Through the rise and fall of nations one sure faith is holding fast:
God abides, God's Word unchanging, God the first and God the last.

Text: G. W. Briggs (adapt.)

Tune: Austria, AM 761

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

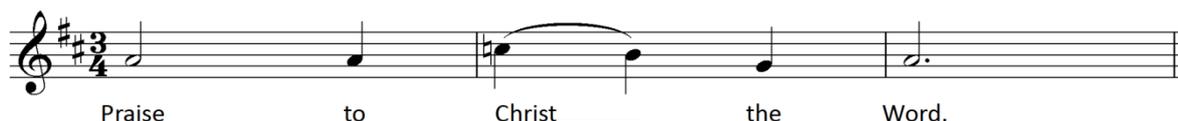


The Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Gospeller

This is the Gospel of Christ.



The Sermon

The Reverend Sarah West

Following the Sermon, we pause to discern what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Affirmation of Faith

Let us stand and together affirm our faith.

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.
You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.
You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you.**

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, giving thanks for God's goodness.

Please sit.

To the bidding: God of our joy,
all respond: **hear our prayer.**

The Prayers conclude with the following Collect prayed by all.

**God of the universe, teach us your ways. Fill us your wisdom and help us
to love one another. Through Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

Please stand.

The Peace

Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace
who breaks down the walls that divide.

The peace of God be always with you.

Praise to Christ who unites us in peace.

*Please turn and acknowledge those around you by offering a greeting of Peace **without making physical contact.***

There will be no collection taken at this stage.

Your offering can be placed in the collection bowl on the back table as you leave, or you can use our contactless payment system which is at the door.

If more convenient, you can make your offering through our website www.holy-trinity.org.nz.

Offertory Hymn

1

New songs of celebration render
to God who has great wonders done.
Love sits enthroned in ageless splendour;
come and adore the Mighty One.
God has made known the great salvation
which all the saints with joy confess.
God has revealed to every nation
truth and unending righteousness.

2

Joyfully, heartily resounding,
let every instrument and voice
peal out the praise of grace abounding,
calling the whole world to rejoice.
Trumpets and organs, set in motion
such sounds as make the heavens ring;
all things that live in earth and ocean,
sound forth the song; your praises bring.

3

Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honour the Lord with wild acclaim;
mountains and stones look up adoring and find a voice to praise God's name.
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be sung that never cease:
just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.

Text: E. Routley (adapt.)

Tune: Rendez à Dieu, AM 737

The Preparation of the Gifts

During the Preparation of the Gifts, the bread and wine are prepared for the Eucharist.

Blessed are you, God of all creation;
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

It is our custom to stand throughout the following prayer, as you are able.

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, with 'Celebrant' and 'People' labels above the respective parts. The first staff has lyrics: 'The Lord is here: God's Spi - rit is with us.' The second staff has lyrics: 'Lift up your hearts: We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff has lyrics: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God: It is right to offer thanks and praise.'

It is the joy of our salvation, God of the universe,
to give you thanks through Jesus Christ.
You said, 'Let there be light'; there was light.
Your light shines on in our darkness.

For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms.
You have created us to hear your Word,
to do your will and to be fulfilled in your love.
You sent your Son to be for us the way we need to follow
and the truth we need to know.
You send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and to guide,
to warn and to revive your Church.
Therefore, with all your witnesses
who surround us on every side,
countless as heaven's stars,
we praise you for our creation and our calling,
with loving and with joyful hearts as we sing:

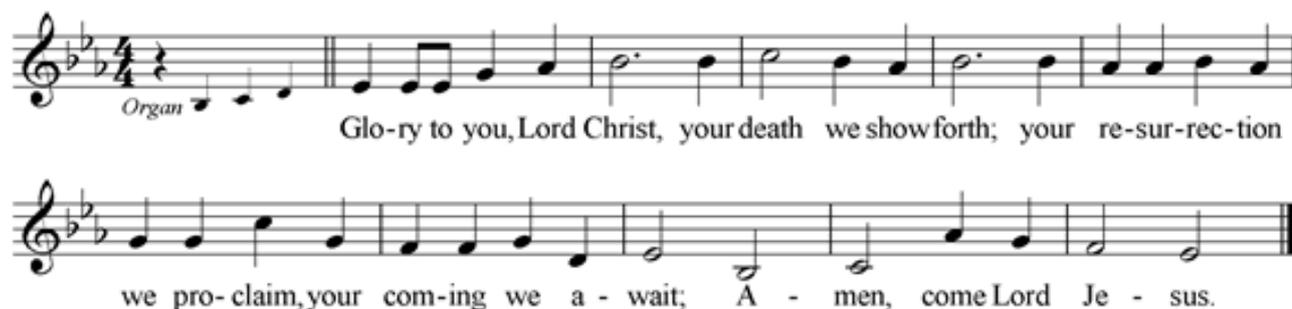
Sanctus and Benedictus are sung by the Choir.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son;
On that night before he died he took bread and gave you thanks.
He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper, he took the cup, and gave you thanks.
He gave it to them and said:
Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you, shed for all,
to forgive sin; do this to remember me.

Therefore with this bread and wine
we recall your goodness to us.
God of the past and present,
we your people remember your Son.
We thank you for his cross and rising again,
we take courage from his ascension;
we look for his coming in glory
and in him we give ourselves to you.
With thanksgiving and hope we sing:



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. It includes a 'Cresc.' marking and an 'Organ' instruction. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ, your death we show forth; your re-sur-rec-tion' are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody with similar note values and includes the lyrics 'we pro-claim, your com-ing we a - wait; A - men, come Lord Je - sus.' The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Send your Holy Spirit, that we who receive Christ's body
 may indeed be the body of Christ,
 and we who share his cup draw strength from the one true vine.
 Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite.
 Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.
 For you, the heavenly one, make all things new;
 you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first,
 to whom we bring our songs of everlasting praise.



The Communion

As Christ teaches us we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider breaks the bread in silence.

Christ's body was broken for us on the cross.

Christ is the bread of life.

Christ's blood was shed for our forgiveness.

Christ is risen from the dead.

The Invitation

Come God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food.

Agnus Dei is sung by the Choir.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

All those who are baptised are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.

For reasons of hygiene we encourage drinking from the chalice. Dipping the wafer in the wine (intincting) is not allowed.

You are welcome to receive Communion in only one kind if you wish – the bread only.

Please indicate to the administrant if you would prefer a gluten-free wafer.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please fold your arms across your chest.

When young children come to Communion with their parents, their parents' consent will be sought before they are offered Communion.

Communion Motet *Like as a hart*, Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, 'Where is now thy God?'

The Prayer after Communion

Please stand.

Blessed be God who calls us together.

Praise to God who makes us one people.

Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.

Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.

Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.

Praise to God who is revealed as love.

Blessed be God who alone has called us.

Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.

Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.

Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.

Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

Final Hymn

1

Creator God, the world around
declares your glory - flower and tree,
the evening sky and torrent's sound,
the mountain stream
and rolling sea.
Yet all this beauty cannot show
the God whom we can truly know.

2

Composer God, all music sings
your praise - your power, your majesty-
in drum and trumpet, flute and strings,
in choir and song and symphony.
Yet music which inspires our praise
can never fathom all your ways.

3

Designer God, in shape and form
the beauty you inspire is shown;
in line and colour, etched or drawn,
in sculpture, painting,
glass and stone.
Yet all these talents can't express
the full truth of your loveliness.

4

Mysterious God, though all the arts
of nature or of human skill
may move us: yet our longing hearts
are never satisfied until
in Jesus Christ you show your face:
a God of love and truth and grace.

Text: B. Hoare

Tune: Melita, AM 536

The Blessing

Christ who has nourished us with himself, the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God our ✠Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Sortie

Chorale Prelude on 'O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig' (BWV 656),

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please stand while the Altar party leaves.

It is our custom to remain standing until the Cross has been returned to the chancel ambulatory.

You are warmly invited to remain for the Sortie and beyond, to pray and reflect.

Please join us for refreshments in the Bishop Monteith Visitors' Centre.

Holy Trinity Cathedral Choir
Director of Choirs: *Rowan Johnston*
Cathedral Organist: *Dr Philip Smith*



CATHEDRAL COLLECT

**Loving God, the source of all life, as we worship you and rejoice at your presence in our midst;
open our hearts that we may always be a welcoming and nourishing community; empowering each other to be active in your service, through Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the world. Amen.**

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