

ST PAULS LUTHERAN CHURCH

ŌTAUTAHI

TE RĀTAPU TUATŌRU O TE ARANGA

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

14 APRIL 2024

CHRISTCHURCH

NAU MAI HAERE MAI WELCOME

As a community of faith here at St Pauls, we welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all.

We welcome all without regard to where you are in your personal faith journey, whether you are a life-long Lutheran, or you come from another faith tradition, whether you are doubting, or you have no faith practice at all. Our unity is in Christ who embraces all.

We invite you to fill out a Visitors Card if you want to and to place it on the offering plate, hand it to an usher or give it to Pastor Mark.

If you – or someone you know – would like to know more about a relationship with the Lord Jesus or our church community here at St Pauls, please –

Speak to Pastor Mark Whitfield after worship, phone him on 028 85001875 or email him on mark.whitfield@lutheran.org.nz at any time

... or speak with one of our members during the fellowship time after worship.

All are welcome. You are welcome.



GOD'S MISSION THROUGH US

Going in the power of the Holy Spirit, to the people of Burwood, Ōtautahi Christchurch and beyond, making them disciples of Jesus Christ

WHAKATUWHERATIA OKU NGUTU

O LORD, OPEN MY LIPS

Worship begins with God. The psalmist writes -

Lord, open my lips, so my mouth will praise you

Psalm 51:15

In Christian worship, God serves his people – *Divine Service* – with his love through Word and Sacrament and we respond with our prayers and songs of thanks and praise.

Here at St Pauls, we use a variety of musical settings for liturgy and worship. This morning's setting mainly uses songs by **Stuart Townend and Keith Getty**. The confessional writings of the Church encourage us to receive and be blessed by the Lord's Supper [Holy Communion] each Sunday –

One common Mass is observed among us on every holy day, and on other days. If any desire the sacrament, it is also administered to those who ask for it.

The Augsburg Confession

GATHERING

Mihi and Words of Welcome

Waiata – Gathering Song

Here in your presence, Lord, Your love is so strong, so sure. Safe in your presence, Lord, We rest in you so secure. We worship, we worship, Jesus, we worship you.

Here in your presence, Lord, Your power and love break through. Safe in your presence, Lord, We're fixing our eyes on you. We worship, we worship, Jesus, we worship you.

Here in your presence, Lord, We kneel before your throne. Safe in your presence, Lord, You tell us that we're your own. We worship, we worship, Jesus, we worship you.

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Iriiritanga – Remembrance of Baptism

Jesus said to his disciples: "Why are you full of so many doubts?

Look at my hands and my feet, it is really me; handle me.

A ghost does not have a real body like you can see I have." Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

A church building is not a funeral chapel where we mourn a dead Teacher,

but a hospitable family home where we can celebrate with the living Christ whose love is in the air and whose joy overflows every moment. Christ is Risen!

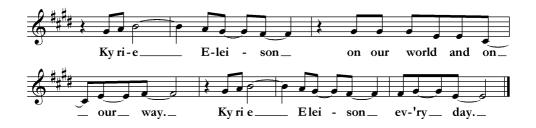
Christ is risen indeed!

Ki te ingoa o te Matua o te Tamaiti o te Wairua Tapu. Em nome do Pai, do Filho e do Espírito Santo. Yumi lotu long nem bilong God Triwan: Papa na Pikinini na Holi Spirit. In the Name of the + Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Whaakinga – We confess our sin and seek God's forgiveness

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

Silence and then we sing



For peace in the world, for the health of the Church, for unity of all,
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor,
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie

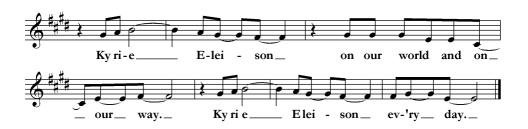
We pray

He aroha tō tātou Atua; 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.

We sing



For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family,
For life and for love, for our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie

For your Spirit to guide, that you centre our lives in the water and the word,
That you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie

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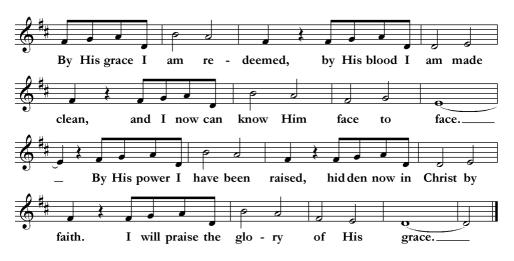
God forgives us; be at peace.

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection, reconciliation for all the human race. With the authority of Christ, and as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to all of you. I forgive you your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Hīmene — Entrance Song

(Sung twice)



Steven Fry

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Karakia – A Prayer for Today

Kia noho a Ihowa ki a koutou. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Loving God, the eyes of your disciples were opened when your Son blessed the bread, and broke it, and gave it to them.

Strip the shutters from our spiritual sight, that we may discern his true Presence in the common gifts of life, celebrate with all who love him, and have compassion for those who do not yet love him.

To the praise of his name, who in the perfect fellowship of the Holy Spirit lives and loves with you, our one loving God now for ever. Amen.

WORD

Te taima o ngā tamariki — Especially for Kids

Preparing to hear God's Word

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
All your purposes for your glory.

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

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The First Reading – Acts 3:12-19

¹²When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴ You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵ You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶ By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

¹⁷ "Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸ But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 4



Answer me, O God of justice. Show your mercy, hear me, Lord. From past trials you have saved me, in my anguish help me now.

Give us light

God will show his loving kindness, grants us favours in his love. God will hear me when I call him, bringing light to troubled hearts.

Give us light

You alone can bring me safety, make my dwelling place secure. In your presence I lie down and as a child find peace in you.

Give us light

Psalm 4

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Second Reading – 1 John 3:1-7

- ¹ See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
- ⁴ Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. ⁵ But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. ⁶ No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him.
- ⁷ Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**



From Setting Eight in Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Rongopai – The Gospel – Luke 24:36b-48

Te Rongopai Tapu ki te ritenga a Ruka – the Holy Gospel according to Luke Glory be to you, O Lord.

 $^{^{36}}$ While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

³⁷ They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

⁴⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them,

"Do you have anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate it in their presence.

⁴⁴He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

Te Rongopai tenei a te Karaiti; this is the Gospel of Christ: Praise be to you, O Christ, raised to live forever.

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for appearing to your disciples and explaining the Scriptures.

Make us witnesses of your new life. Amen.

Kōrero Whakatau – The Sermon

JESUS, COME AND STAND AMONG US

Luke 24:36

Affirmation of Baptism – The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty, from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hīmene — Hymn (Song) of the Day

O Christ, your friends were gathered together in a room. They'd heard the women's stories about your empty tomb. Some talked about Emmaus – they'd seen you breaking bread. Some claimed that you were risen; some thought you still were dead.

You met your friends and showed them your wounded hands and side,
For you were Jesus risen and Jesus crucified.
You showed them God had triumphed and God had suffered pain.
And in that intersection, you made them whole again.

You meet us in the places where all seems doomed or lost – Where people face oppression, where children pay the cost, Where poor ones cry in hunger, where illness takes its toll: You meet us, suffering Savior, and make the wounded whole.

O Christ, your resurrection gives hope and life anew.

And yet your wounds and anguish give peace and promise, too.

For you've been there before us! Now send us out to be
A church that bears your suffering and claims your victory.

Text ©2015 by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette Luke 24:1-49; Romans 6:4; Romans 8:17; 2 Corinthians 1:5 AURELIA S.S. Wesley (1810-1876) LHS-191

MEAL

Karakia – Prayer

We are God's children, so let us come to him in prayer in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

Stand among us, Lord: **And give us your peace.**

Closing Prayer

Father, you have made us your children through baptism and the Holy Spirit. Open your word to us, so that we may witness to your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Hongi – Te Rangimarie – the Peace of the Lord

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Koha – Offering – as the Table of the Lord is set

Translation E te Matua **Father** Ka whakawhetai Thank you Mo ngā mea ora For living things Mo ngā mea pai. For all that is good Ngā hua rākau Fruit trees Ngā hua katoa And their fruit I ruia mai nei That were sown kia puawai. And bloom

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Heavenly Father,
thank you for raising your Son from death,
and for reassuring us of his presence with us.
Help us to live as your children,
and use us to bring your new life to other people. Amen.

Preparing for Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good, Lord God, holy Father, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

But most of all we praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son, the true Passover Lamb, who has taken away the sin of the world.

By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising again he has restored life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the other witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we adore and praise your glorious name:

O holy, holy God, O God of time and space.

All earth and sea and sky above bear witness to your grace.

Hosanna in the highest heav'n, creation sings your praise.

And blessed is the One who comes and bears your name always!

Sanctus

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Words of Institution

E to matou Matua i te rangi – The Lord's Prayer

Made bold by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught:

E to matou Matua i te rangi

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are

now and for ever. Amen.

Kia tapu tou Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.
Homai ki a matou aianei he taro ma matou mo tenei
ra.
Murua o matou hara, Me matou hoki e muru nei i o
te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki matou e kawea kia whakawaia;
engari whakaorangia matou i te kino.
Nou hoki te rangitiratanga, te kaha,
me te kororia,
ake ake ake. Amine.

vours,

Lamb of God

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us: and we remember:
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

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Holy Communion is a means of grace.

It is a gift from God, instituted by Jesus on the night before his crucifixion.

This gift is Jesus himself; that in and through the bread and wine we are offered Jesus – his body and blood, his life, his presence.

Come if you believe that Jesus' life and all it offers is for you.

At the end of Holy Communion

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ make you strong and keep you in his grace. Peace be with you.

Amen.

Almighty and merciful God, you made the disciples glad by the sight of the risen Lord.

As he has come to us in this meal, remind us that he is always with us, and that we now share in his resurrection.

For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Te karakia whakamoemiti – Our Song of Thanks

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace
Accor - - ding to your word,
For I have seen how you have sent
Your Son to save the world from sin.
Now your salvation is revealed –
A light that shines in this dark world for all.
A light that glorifies your saints.

And so with thankfulness and faith
We rise to respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

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Celebrations and Announcements

SENDING

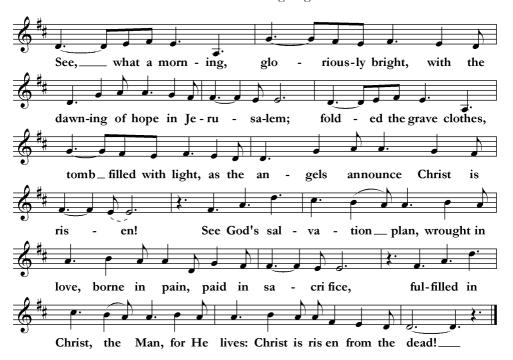
Mānawatanga — Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with kindness + and give you peace.

Amen.



See Mary weeping, 'Where is He laid?'
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb.
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name.
It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years,
Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound till He appears,
For He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

I know that my Redeemer lives.

What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead.
He lives, my ever-living head.
We sing alleluia
For he lives, Jesus lives, my Redeemer lives.
We sing alleluia
For he lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same. O the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives! We sing alleluia For he lives, Jesus lives, my Redeemer lives. We sing alleluia For he lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

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Poroporoaki - Sending

Haere i runga i te aroha, haere i runga i te rangimārie. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Amen (Amine); we go in the name of Christ.







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Worship Next Sunday (21 Apr.)

Easter 4

Readings Acts 4:5-12 (Psalm 23), 1 John 3:16-24 and John 10:11-18

Reader Andrew Holy Communion Leanne

Usher / Welcoming Ed Hospitality Debbie

This Week

Today	10.00am	Worship	
Monday 15			
Tuesday 16	12noon	Mark meeting with Sr Kathleen Rushton and Father Rick Loughnan (Roman Catholic Parish of Christchurch North) to discuss Festival of New Life	
Wednesday 17	11.00am	Mark leading devotion at Alpine View Lifestyle Village	
Thursday 18	7.30pm	Meeting of representatives of St Pauls and the Wainoni Avonside Community Services Trust	
Friday 19	11.00am	Mark meeting with Kevin March from ChristCan	
Saturday 20			
Sunday 21	10.00am	Worship	

In our prayers

- A prayer of thanks that the **Church Worker Conference** earlier last week was a real blessing to the church workers that gathered here at St Pauls
- For the **wives of pastors and church workers** as they meet in their **Spice Retreat** this weekend in Wellington
- For those recovering from surgery or who have been unwell
- That the Share Pantry being built in our carpark will be a blessing to the community
- For the ongoing conversation with a local Community Trust that is leading to the
 possibility of St Pauls hosting community-based/focused programs throughout the week
- For relief from **flooding and infrastructure damage** especially on the West Coast
- For the individuals and families affected by the many job cuts that are happening at the moment
- The people of Gaza and Ukraine who are victims of war
- For **students and teachers** as they begin holidays ... and for those travelling during the holidays

Taking Faith Home



Sunday	Luke 24:36b-48	Jesus appears to his disciples
Monday	Acts 3:12-19	Peter speaks in the temple
Tuesday	1 John 3:1-7	Children of God
Wednesday	1 Peter 1:3-9	A living hope
Thursday	Acts 26: 19-23	Paul tells of his preaching
Friday	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	The resurrection of Christ
Saturday	Psalm 4	An evening prayer
Sunday	John 10: 11-18	The Good Shepherd

Verse for the Week

I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

Psalm 4:8

Prayer for the Week

Eternal God, we thank you for Jesus' resurrection that brings us peace and forgiveness of sins that we may go to bed each night trusting in your care. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer

Dear God, we thank you for this food. Give food to those who do not have enough to eat and protection for those who do not feel safe, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give

May Christ our Lord give you peace and gladness.



Lifting Our Voices

A gathering for those who long for the ordination of all who are called within the LCANZ

Saturday 27 April 2024

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WHEN JESUS SAW THE DIS CIPLES WERE AFRAID, k. HE TOLD THEM TO LOOK AT HIS HANDS AND FEET, AND TOUCH HIM TO PROVE HE WASN'T A GHOST.

WHAT ARE THE FIVE SENSES WE CAN USE TO LEARN ABOUT OUR WORLD?

Match the word in one column to its picture in the other column.

SIGHT



TOUCH



TASTE



SMELL



HEAR





