



15 December 2024 - 3rd Sunday of Advent – What shall we do?

Today's liturgy begins on page 404 of the red New Zealand Prayer Book

Our scripture sentence

Do not fear. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love.


Zephaniah 3:16-17

Prayer of the Day

God our strength and our hope,
grant us the courage of John the Baptist,
constantly to speak the truth,
boldly to rebuke vice
and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake;
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Testament Reading	Zephaniah 3:14-20
New Testament Reading	Phil 4:4-7
Gospel	Luke 3:7-18

Music for 10am service

	Processional	26	Hark a thrilling voice is sounding
	Gospel	<i>overleaf</i>	Rejoice and prepare now
	Offertory	457	Hark my soul it is the Lord
	Recessional	165	Christ is the King!

Setting	Palestrina – Missa Brevis
Anthem	Rejoice in the Lord always - Anon

At communion, we do not intinct (dip the wafer in the chalice). Please receive bread alone or take the chalice. This is safer both for you and others.

Gluten free wafers are available from the person administering the bread every week at 10am. If needed at 8am please let us know before the service starts. Prayer ministry is available during 10am communion in the Resurrection Chapel.

We invite you to stay for morning tea after the service and would love visitors to introduce yourselves to us.

Psalm 146: 4-10

- 4 When they breathe their last, they re'turn to ' dust:
then all their ' plans ' come to ' nothing.
- 5 Happy are those whose helper is the ' God of ' Jacob:
whose hope is ' in the ' Lord their ' God,
- 6 who made heaven and earth,
the sea and ' all · that is ' in them:
who ' keeps ' a ' promise · for ' ever,
- 7 who defends the ' cause of · the op'pressed:
and gives ' food ' to the ' hungry.
- 8 The Lord sets free the prisoner,
and gives ' sight · to the ' blind:
**the Lord raises up those bowed down,
and ' loves ' those · who are ' just.**
- 9 The Lord cares for the stranger in the land,
and sustains the ' widows · and ' orphans:
but turns the ' way · of the ' wicked · to ' ruin.
- 10 The Lord shall ' reign for ' ever:
**your God O Jerusalem shall reign for all generations.
Whaka'moemi'titia · a ' Ihowā. / O ' praise ' - the ' Lord.**

Rejoice and prepare now

1: Rejoice and prepare now the way of the Lord.
Make ready a path for the lifesaving Word.
Make straight in the desert a suitable road,
that all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

2: Rejoice and prepare for a life-changing birth.
Prepare for a gift of remarkable worth.
Lift up every valley; the mountains make low,
so all of the earth may believe, see, and know.

3: Rejoice and prepare for our God is at hand!
Ring bells and sound trumpets all over this land.
Come, gather together to welcome this Guest.
Prepare to sing praises; prepare to be blest.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP THIS COMING WEEK

Today

7pm 9 Lessons and Carols - A Choral Feast!

Tuesday to Friday

9am Morning prayer in the Resurrection Chapel

Tuesday

10.30am Eucharist in the Resurrection Chapel, then morning tea

Wednesday

12 noon Midday Prayer

Next Sunday

8am Eucharist in the Aotearoa Chapel

10am Choral Eucharist

OTHER EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARIES or CALENDAR

- **Friday 20 December** last day of parish office being open; reopens 6 Jan.
- **Saturday 21 December at 7pm** the Waiapu Cathedral and Octavius present a Gala Christmas Concert with special guests, Hawke's Brass Quintet and the Waiapu Cathedral Choir. Adults \$25, concession \$20. Cash or eftpos at the door. Children: free entry.



CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Tuesday 24 Dec	6pm	All Age Christmas Play for families
Tuesday 24 Dec	11pm	Midnight Mass Service
Wednesday 25 Dec	8am	Christmas Day Eucharist with Carols
Wednesday 25 Dec	9am	Christmas Day Service at Ormond Chapel
Wednesday 25 Dec	10am	Christmas Day Choral Eucharist

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