

31 August 2025

The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nau mai, haere mai. Our liturgy begins on page 404 of A New Zealand Prayer Book / He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa

The musical setting is Ireland in C

Processional Hymn: *Common Praise* 619 – When morning gilds the skies

Collect:

Lord, help us to see: to see what is eternally good and true, and having seen, to go on searching until we come to the joys of heaven; for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (ANZPB-HKMoA) – at 10am the psalm is sung by the choir

- Sing out with joy to God our strength: shout in triumph to the God of Jacob.
- 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt: open wide your mouth and I shall fill it.
- ^{11.} 'But my people would not hear my voice: and Israel would not obey me.

- ^{12.} 'So I left them in their stubbornness of heart: to follow their own devices.
- ^{13.} 'O that my people would listen to me: and that Israel would walk in my ways.
- ^{14.} 'I would soon put down their enemies: and turn my hand against their adversaries.
- ^{15.} 'Those who hate me would cringe before me: and their fate would be sealed for ever.
- ^{16.} 'But Israel I would feed with the finest wheat-flour: and satisfy them with honey from the rock.'

Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

Gospel Hymn: Common Praise 305 – I come with joy, a child of God

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Lord's Prayer: On page 418 in Te Reo Māori

Offertory Hymn: Common Praise 427 – For the healing of the nations

Communion Motet: O for a closer walk with God - Stanford

Recessional Hymn: Common Praise 362 – Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

- Ministry with children is available at the 10am Eucharist during the Sermon and Prayers of the People. This group moves to the back of the Cathedral during the Gospel hymn and returns for the Peace.
- **Prayer ministry** is available at the 10am Eucharist in the Resurrection Chapel during the communion time.
- **Communion is offered in both kinds** (bread and wine) though feel free to receive only the bread.
- We do not, for health reasons, dip the bread in the wine. This makes it safer for us all.
- Gluten free wafers are available from the person administering the bread at 10am. If needed at 8am please let us know before the service starts.
- We invite you to stay for morning tea after the service

PRAYER AND WORSHIP THIS COMING WEEK

Tuesday to Friday

9am, Morning prayer in the Resurrection Chapel **Tuesday**

10.30am, Eucharist in the Resurrection Chapel, followed by morning tea.

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A thought from today's sermon:

Jesus is talking about hospitality. The word translated 'hospitality' means literally, 'love of a stranger.' So, hospitality isn't about spending time with people we're comfortable with - but with the stranger - welcoming into our midst those beyond our group, especially those left out by others. I wonder what that might say to us as a faith community - what it may say about our priorities. As English theologian and Archbishop of Canterbury William Temple remarked, 'The Church exists primarily for the sake of those who are still outside it.'