

21 September 2025 The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nau mai, haere mai. Our liturgy begins on page 476 of A New Zealand Prayer Book / He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa

The musical setting is Te Pouhere Mass - Grant.

Processional Hymn: Where mountains rise to open skies

Where mountains rise to open skies your name, O God, is echoed far, from island beach to kauri's reach, in water's light, in lake and star.

Your people's heart, your people's part be in our caring for this land, for faith to flower, for aroha to let each other's mana stand.

From broken word, from conflict stirred, from lack of vision, set us free to see the line of your design, to feel creation's energy.

Your love be known, compassion shown, that every child have equal scope: in justice done, in trust begun shall be our heritage and hope.

Where mountains rise to open skies your way of peace distil the air, your spirit bind all humankind, one covenant of life to share!

Collect:

Almighty God, fount of all wisdom, crown of all knowledge; give us eyes to see and minds to understand your marvellous works, that we may know you through your handiwork and use your creations to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 8:18 – 9:1

Psalm 79:1-9 (ANZPB-HKMoA) – at 10am the psalm is sung by the choir

- 1 O God the heathen have come into your land: your holy temple they have defiled, and made Jerusalem a heap of stones.
- 2. They have given the dead bodies of your servants to be food for the birds of the air: and the flesh of your people to the beasts of the land.
- 3. Their blood has been spilled like water all round Jerusalem: and there is no one to bury them.
- 4. We have become the taunt of our neighbours: the scorn and derision of those around us.
- 5. How long O Lord? Will you be angry for ever: will your jealous wrath burn like fire?
- 6. Pour out your rage on the nations that do not know you: and on the kingdoms that do not call on your name.
- 7. For they have devoured Jacob: and laid waste his homeland.
- 8. Do not remember against us the sins of our forbears, let your compassion come swiftly to meet us: for we are brought very low.
- 9. Help us O God our saviour, or the glory of your name: deliver us, and wipe out our sins for your names sake.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Gospel Hvmn: Tama naakau marie

- 1. Tama ngakau marie, Tama a t'Atua, tenei tonu matou, arohaina mai.
- 2. Murua ra nga hara: Wetekina mai enei here kino, whakararu nei.
- 3. Takahia ki raro, tau e kino ai; kei pa kaha tonu, ko nga mahi he.
- 4 Homai he aroha, mou i mate nei. Tenei ra, e lhu, takin ai koe.
- 5 Tenei arahina, a tutuki noa: puta i te pouri, whiwhi hari nui.
- 6 Tama ngakau marie, Tama a t'Atua, tenei tonu matou, arohaina mai.

[English translation not for singing]

- 1 Son of a peaceful heart, Son of God, here we are, love us.
- 2 Take away our sins. Undo these evil ties which bind us.
- 3 Trample under foot whatever is evil lest the power remain of the evil deeds.
- 4 Give us love for you who died. This day, Jesus, you lead us.
- 5 This is the pathway to the end through the darkness to receive great joy.
- 6 Son of a peaceful heart, Son of God, here we are, love us.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Lord's Prayer: On page 484, sung in Te Reo Māori

Offertory Hymn: Common Praise 81 -

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided

Communion Motet: Ubi Caritas - Gjeilo

Recessional Hymn: Common Praise 430 – Forth in thy name

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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.

- 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.
- 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.
- We invite you to stay for **morning tea** after the service

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