

26 October 2025 30th 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.

Today our choir and Musical Director are having a well-deserved break. Thanks to our guest musician, Wendy Hunt.

Processional Hymn: *Common Praise* 555 – Praise my soul the king of heaven

Collect:

Jesus our Lord, you have taught us that judgement begins at the house of God; save us from our self-satisfaction, rigidity and corruption, so that we may stand ready to do your will; for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

First Reading: Joel 2:23-32

Psalm 65 (ANZPB-HKMoA)

- You O God are to be praised in Jerusalem: to you shall vows be performed.
- You give heed to prayer: to you all mortals shall come to confess their sins.
- 3. The burden of our sins is too great for us: but you will purge them away.

- 4. Blessèd are the people you choose, and bring to dwell in your courts: we shall be filled with the blessings of your house your holy temple.
- 5. With awesome deeds you answer our prayers for deliverance, O God our saviour: you that are the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of the far-off seas.
- ^{6.} By your strength you made fast the mountains: and gird yourself round with power.
- You still the raging of the seas, and the roar of their waves: and the tumult of the peoples.
- 8. The dwellers at the ends of the earth are awed by your wonders: you make the lands of sunrise and sunset resound with shouts of joy.
- 9. You visit the earth and water it: you make it very fruitful.
- 10. The waters of heaven brim over their channel: providing us with grain, for so you have prepared the land,
- ^{11.} drenching its furrows, levelling its ridges: softening it with showers and blessing its growth.
- ^{12.} You crown the year with your goodness: and your paths overflow with plenty.
- ^{13.} The pastures of the wilderness abound with grass: and the hills are girded with joy.
- 14. The fields are clothed with sheep: the valleys are decked with wheat, so that they shout for joy and sing.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel Hymn: Common Praise 174 - Breathe on me, Breath of God

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Offertory Hymn: Common Praise 375 – Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound

Lord's Prayer: On page 488 – said in English

Recessional Hymn: Common Praise 628 – Ye that know the Lord is gracious

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- 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.

The text of most sermons preached at the Cathedral are available online: https://napiercathedral.org.nz/worship/sermon-notes/

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A thought from today's sermon

It's all about our God

who reaches out to us with unimaginable and unexpected grace...

God's grace meets us where we are – not where we think we should be.

It's grace that transforms us, not guilt, let alone our achievements.

And it's grace that sends us out into the world,

forgiven, renewed, and ready to live and serve as God's people.