



THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST ANDREW, EPSOM

A Service of Sunday Morning Prayer for Sunday May 24th – Sunday after Ascension

This service of Morning Prayer is taken from page 58 of A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakakia Mihinare O Aotearoa. From early in the history of the Church, Christians have developed forms of daily prayer and worship, centred on the regular reading of Scripture and the recital of the psalms. This Sunday morning service provides a simple and beautiful format for private prayer in the home during this time of COVID-19 shutdown.

Awake sleeper; rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine upon you.

Open our lips, O Lord;
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Hymn

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| 1. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluya,
Jesu, true and living Bread! | 2. Here our humblest homage pay we;
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for Faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluya,
Thou art here, we ask not how. |
| 3. Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluya,
We in worship join with them. | 4. Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya,
Risen, ascended, glorified! |

*Tune – 'St Helen' (G Martin); Descant – R Lloyd; Words – G Bourne
Brendon Packard (Trumpet); Nicholas Sutcliffe (Organ); Choir of St Andrew's, Epsom (dir. Shroff)
Recorded in St Luke's Presbyterian Church, Remuera, for CD recording 'King of glory – Great hymns for the
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The Spirit of the Lord

- 1 The Spirit of the Lord God ' is up'on me:
because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good ' tidings ' to the · af'flicted.
- 2 The Lord has sent me to bind up the ' broken-'hearted:
to proclaim liberty for the captives,
and re'lease for ' those in ' prison,
- 3 to comfort ' all who ' mourn:
to bestow on them a crown of ' beauty · in'stead of ' ashes,
- 4 the oil of gladness in'stead of ' mourning:
a garment of ' splendour · for the ' heavy ' heart.
- 5† They shall be called ' trees of ' righteousness:
planted for the ' glory ' of the ' Lord.
- 6 Therefore I will greatly re'joice · in the ' Lord:
my soul shall ex'ult ' in my ' God,
- 7 for God has robed me with salvation ' as a ' garment:
and clothed me with in'tegri-ty ' as a ' cloak.
- 8 For as the earth brings' forth its ' shoots:
and as a garden causes the ' seeds to ' spring ' up,
- 9 so the Lord God will cause ' righteousness · and ' praise:
to spring ' forth before ' all the ' nations. *Isaiah 61: 1-3, 10, 11*

Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son :
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit;
as it was in the be'ginning · is ' now:
and shall be for ' ever. ' A'men.

Psalm 93

You O Lord are king,
you are clothed in majesty:
you have robed yourself,
And put on the girdle of strength.

**You have made the world so firm:
that it can never be moved.**

Your throne O Lord
has stood firm from of old:
from all eternity you are God.

**The waters have lifted up O Lord,
the waters have lifted up their voice:
the waters lift up their pounding waves.**

Mightier than the noise of great waters, mightier than the waves of the sea:
so the Lord on high is mighty.

**Truly your law stands firm:
holiness O Lord
adorns your house forever.**

Forgiveness

Lord, have mercy.
E te Ariki kia aroha mai.
Kyrie eleison.

Christ, have mercy.
E te Karaiti kia aroha mai.
Christe eleison.

Lord have mercy.
E te Ariki kia aroha mai.
Kyrie eleison.

Almighty and merciful God, we have sinned against you,
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with all our heart.
We have not loved others as our Saviour Christ loves us.
We are truly sorry.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;
that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Almighty God,
who pardons all who truly repent,
forgive our sins,
strengthen us by the Holy Spirit,
and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.

Reading: **Luke 24:44-53**

Silence is kept after the Readings.

Reflection

Anthem

And the glory of the Lord shall be
revealed, and all flesh shall see it together:
for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Music – G Handel; Words – Isaiah 40: 5

Anita Banbury (Organ); St Andrew's Choir (dir. Shroff)

From CD recorded live at St James' Church, Orakei (17 April 2005)

The Song of our Adoption

- 1 Blessèd are you, God and Father of our Lord ' Jesus '
 Christ:
 you have blessed us in Christ with every _
 spiritual ' blessing · in the' heaven·ly ' realms.
- 2 Even before the world was made _
 you chose us to be ' yours in ' Christ:
 that we should be holy and ' blameless ' in your ' sight.
- 3 In love you destined us for adoption _
 as your children ' through Christ ' Jesus:
 such was your ' pleasure ' and your ' purpose,
- 4 to the praise of your ' glori·ous ' grace:
 which you have freely given us in ' your be'lovèd ' Son.

Ephesians 1:3-6

Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son:
and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit;
as it was in the be'ginning · is ' now:
and shall be for ' ever. ' A'men.

Sentence of the Day

“Go and make disciples of all nations, Jesus commands; I am with you always, to the close of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20

Collect of the Day

Holy God,
today as we remember Jesus' Ascension,
we wait for your promise
that we will experience Jesus afresh,
and that your Holy Spirit
will be our advocate and guide.
Help us see your living presence within,
among and between us,
making us one body in your name.
With Jesus we pray.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Prepared by Lesley Anderson

As we celebrate together
let us pray together
God of Love
as we celebrate this Festival
of Jesus entry into heaven
as Saviour and Lord
we pray for unity in the Church around the world,
and reconciliation and renewed vision
as we move into unfamiliar times

Silence

Both Heaven and Earth
are full of God's glory

God of glory
may your light shine in the community of St Andrew's
We pray for all farewells and homecomings
among our families and in our community and long for reunion
Fill us to overflowing with ongoing thankfulness
both in the sunlight and in the storm.

Silence

Both heaven and earth
are full of God's glory

We pray for all of those who are full of tears and cannot imagine being happy again
for the unemployed, the weak and the vulnerable
all those who are finding life an exhausting struggle at present
Support them in their troubles
bring healing and reassurance
and touch them with the gentleness of your peace.

Silence

Both heaven and earth
are full of God's glory

We commend to your eternal love
those we remember who have died
and pray too for those who miss their physical presence

Silence

Both heaven and earth
are full of God's glory

Silence

We bless and praise you
We thank you that through your ascension into heaven
the way was open for us to receive the Holy Spirit
prepare our hearts each day to welcome you.
Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

OR

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āiane
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Āua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria,
Āke ake ake. Āmine.

Morning Collect

God our creator,
yours is the morning and yours is the evening.
Let Christ the sun of righteousness
shine for ever in our hearts
and draw us to that light
where you live in radiant glory.
We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.

The divine Spirit dwells in us.
Kia noho te Wairua o te Runga Rawa ki a tātou.

Thanks be to God.

Whakamoemititia a Ihowā.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. *Amen.*

Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus' name;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye morning stars of light,
Who fixed this floating ball;
Now hail the Strength of Israel's might,
And crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue
Before him prostrate fall,
And shout in universal song,
The crowned Lord of all.

Tune – 'Miles Lane' (W Shrubsole),

Words – E Perronet and others

Brendan Packard (Trumpet); Stanley Jackson (Organ); Choir of St Andrew's, Epsom (dir. Shroff)

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