

St. Peter's Caversham The Pebble

18 January, 2015

Ordinary Sunday 2

Prayer

Every day I want to speak with you. And every day something more important calls for my attention – the drugstore, the beauty products, the luggage

I need to buy for the trip. Even now I can hardly sit here

among the falling piles of paper and clothing, the garbage trucks outside already screeching and banging.

The mystics say you are as close as my breath. Why do I flee from you?

My days and nights pour through me like complaints and become a story I forgot to tell.

Help me. Even as I write these words I am planning to rise from the chair as soon as I finish this sentence.

Marie Howe

A Warm Welcome

to all who are sharing with us in worship today. The Ministry of Healing and Wholeness is offered in the Lady Chapel during Communion. Everyone is warmly invited to Morning Tea in the Parish Lounge after the Solemn Eucharist.

The Liturgy for Today:

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (1662 Book of Common Prayer)10:30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS:

- 390 Jesus, where'er thy people meet
- 393 Lead us, heavenly Father lead us
- 302 O Thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray
- 276 Bread of Heaven.
- 456 Teach me, my God and King

READINGS FOR TODAY

<u>1 Samuel 3: 3-10, 19</u> <u>1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20</u> John 1: 35-42

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 Mark 1: 14-20

Parish News

Frances Hodgkins in January The Frances Hodgkins housegroup will have its first meeting for the year on Monday 26 January in the Garden Lounge at 2 pm.

<u>Roster</u> A new roster of 10.30 am liturgical duties has been produced, and is in the process of being distributed.

Caversham lectures Planning is under way for this year's Caversham lectures. Topics and lecturers confirmed so far include Professor Blair Fitzharris on potential flooding hazards for the South Dunedin area in the light of the high water table and porous soils of the area, together with the possible impact of climate change and ocean inundation on this part of the city. David Hoskins will give a presentation on New Zealand's National Film Unit, and the way in which the Labour and National governments found it a powerful communication tool for their different visions of New Zealand. Dr Alex Trapeznik of the Otago History department will give a talk on the history of Dunedin's Warehouse Precinct area, formerly at the epicentre of Dunedin's prosperity, and now being re-developed in interesting ways. Dates for these lectures have yet to be finalised.

<u>Wellington visit</u> The Vicar will be in Wellington from this evening until Wednesday morning to meet his new grandchild Leo.

<u>New Shrubs for the Eastbourne St garden</u> Tubby and Averil Hopkins have been continuing their much appreciated gardening activities in the Church gardens in January. Their focus now moves to the Eastbourne St garden area adjacent the hall. They need about \$500 for shrubs and bark to further develop this area. While a funding application for this purpose will go the February Vestry meeting parishioner donations for this purpose would be much appreciated, and can be handed to the Vicar.

<u>**Thursday Eucharist</u>** The Thursday 10 am Eucharist continues as usual throughout January.</u>

<u>**Pray for the Sick and Infirm**</u> Claire Johnson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Jun Miyagi, Shirley Menzies, George, Nonie and Rachel Connor, Kaye Fowler and Denise Walker.

<u>Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time:</u> Christine Robinson, Mary Graveson.

Epiphany greetings from the Hicks family! (Jonathan preached at our Patronal Festival two years ago) I hope all is well with you. I am just writing to give you a bit of an update about our preparations for service in the Solomon Islands. We have been accepted as missionary candidates with SAMS-USA (Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders). We have been given a target date of July 2015 to complete our fundraising and training for the Solomons, and the Bishop of Malaita has ensured us that a house will be ready for us by that date. So it looks as though we'll be here for another 6 months or so. In the meantime, Tess has gotten a part-time job at Michael's (a nifty craft store in Boston), and I am teaching at Boston Trinity Academy this spring. We've begun support-raising in the US, and are encouraged by the results thus far. On the NZ end, SAMS and CMSNZ have been in conversation about sending us jointly. CMS seems excited by the prospect, but we've been told to wait in contacting Holy Trinity, St John's, and St Peter's until a final decision has been made concerning us. Our contact at CMS (Lesley Smith) has told us that a decision will be reached at the next general meeting in March. So I just wanted to take a moment or two to give you an update, and to tell you that we'll likely be in touch in March or April with something more definitive. At that time we'll send you a newsletter or two and some more information about how we can partner in this mission. You remain in our thoughts and prayers.

Yours in Christ, Jonathan

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