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The Pebble

9 October 2016

Ordinary 28

That Note of Thanksgiving

Thou that hast given so much to me Give one thing more, a grateful heart: Not thankful when it pleaseth me, as if they blessings had spare days, but such a heart whose pulse may be thy praise.

George Herbert

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 after the Solemn Sung Eucharist

THE LITURGY FOR TODAY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)10:30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS:

451 Songs of praise the angels sang
456 Teach me my God and King
104 At the Lamb's high feast we sing
297 Lord Jesus Christ
369 Happy are they, they that love God (Tune 346)

READINGS FOR TODAY

<u>2 Kings 5: 14-17</u> The response to <u>Psalm 98</u> is: **The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power** <u>2 Timothy 2: 8-13</u> Luke 17: 11-19

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

<u>Exodus 17: 8-13</u> <u>2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 2</u> <u>Luke 18: 1-8</u>

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Prelude in c major BWV 553* J.S.Bach (1685-1750)

PARISH NEWS

<u>**Pot luck lunch**</u> Our second Sunday of the month potluck lunch follows the 10.30 am Service. All welcome.

Garage sale Our recent garage sale has now realised nearly \$1,000. So many goods were contributed that it wasn't possible to display them all. We anticipate having another sale in November to dispose of them.

<u>Garage Sale Raffle Result</u> Congratulations to the winner of the Chocolate Raffle: Lorraine Mitchell. Thanks to Mary Barton for running the raffle.

<u>Rock</u> The latest edition of the Rock is available at the back of the Church and in the Link.

Frances Hodgkins The Frances Hodgkins house group meeting will be on Monday at 2 pm in the Garden lounge. A film will be shown on Coventry and Chichester Cathedrals.

Wardens meeting The Vicar will meet with the Wardens on Wednesday. Please mention to Tubby Hopkins or Kate Paterson any matters you want raised at that meeting.

<u>Mid-Week Eucharist</u> The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Parish Lounge on Thursday at 10 am.

Impending ordination The Revd Jonathan Hicks who teaches systematics at the Anglican Theological College in the Solomons, is to be priested on Sunday 16th October. St Peter's is amongst a number of parishes in this diocese who provide financial support for the Hicks family in their missionary endeavours. The raffle that Port Chalmers parish have been running on their behalf, and to which a number of St Peter's parishioners have contributed, has raised around \$1,000 for them.

<u>The return of Revd Gary Griffiths Smith</u> The Revd Gary Griffiths Smith, former Vicar of St Matthews Dunedin, is returning from his native South Africa to be instituted as Vicar of Gore and districts on Sunday 23 October at 7 pm.

Local ordination The Revd Brett Roberts, curate of St Johns Roslyn, will be priested at St Johns on Saturday 12 November at 5.30 pm.

Family news Katie Bowron is now living in the Vicarage and attending the day programme of Ashburn clinic having transferred out of the inpatient unit on Wedneday.

<u>**Pray for the Sick and Infirm**</u> Claire Johnson, Cherry Gordon, Jun Miyagi, Margaret Sterling, Anita Stephens, Mahlia and Sheree Napier, Joan Ferguson, Jonathan Gillies, Ian Gordon, Katie Bowron and Denise Walker.

<u>Pray</u> for those whose memorial occurs at this time Vene Peterson, Ruth Finnigan, Shirley Buxton, and Ivan Tilbury.

Increased financial reporting requirements by Charity Commission Next year will see an increase in the level of financial reporting required by the Charities Commission for New Zealand's charities and religious organisations. They will be required to rank themselves in one of four tiers according to their income levels and to state what they do and what services they provide. Parishes of modest income will no longer be required to have an annual audit or independent financial review although the Presbyterian Church has already signalled to its parishes that the latter requirement will remain anyway as being good practice. For parishes in the diocese of Dunedin the major burden of these new requirements will fall on the diocesan accounting staff although parishes may be required to supply more raw data. Already the diocesan accountant is wondering if some part time help may need to be employed to meet the new standards. There is a point to the new requirements. New Zealand has a plethora of self-declared charities, some of them of dubious worth. It is estimated that around two and half thousand will go out of existence as a result of being unable to prove their genuine utility or because they will not be able to front up to the reporting requirements. Some religious organisations have been able to obtain tax exempt status for related enterprises to the chagrin of IRD. A case in point would be the breakfast cereal company Sanitarium whose profits help to fund the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

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