

St Peter's Caversham

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# The Pebble

14 May 2017

**Easter Five** 

### The Answer

Not darkness but twilight in which even the best of minds must make its way now. And slowly the questions occur, vague but formidable for all that. We pass our hands over their surface like blind men, feeling for the mechanism that will swing them aside. They yield, but only to re-form as new problems; and one does not even do that but towers immovable before us before us.

Is there no way other than thought of answering its challenge? There is an anticipation of it to the point of dying. There have been times when, after long on my knees in a cold chancel, a stone has rolled from my mind, and I have looked in and seen the old questions lie folded and in a place by themselves, like the piled graveclothes of love's risen body.

R.S. Thomas

#### 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:

476 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaimWe sing a threefold *Alleluia* acclamation before the gospel478 Ye watchers and ye holy ones376 I heard the voice of Jesus say102 A brighter dawn is breaking

#### **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Acts 6: 1-7 <u>1 Peter 2: 4-9</u> A cantor will sing <u>Psalm 33</u> and we sing the refrain: *Let your loving kindness be upon us, O Lord.* John 14: 1-12

#### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

<u>Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17</u> <u>1 Peter 3: 15-18</u> John 14: 15-21

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Interlude on 'Kingsfold' Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

#### PARISH NEWS

**<u>Potluck lunch</u>** A potluck lunch follows this morning's 10.30 am Service. All welcome.

**Fellowship group** The Fellowship group will meet at 2 pm on Tuesday 23May at Lorraine Mitchell's home, 23 Tainui Road. Please bring a book to swap and be prepared for some fun. Please phone Lorraine on 455 0062 if you plan to be there.

**Josephine's new location** Josephine Weipers has moved from Frances Hodgkins and can now be found at Yvette Williams.

**Bruce Moore** Bruce has spent the past week in the hospice where he has been visited daily by the Vicar.

<u>Bell tower roof repairs</u> Dunedin roofing systems has been tasked with repairing and replacing much of the roof of the bell tower which is leaking and has become unsafe to those who climb on to it to raise and lower the flag.

Vicarage bedroom ceiling repairs At the beginning of the year a portion of the ceiling in the middle bedroom of the upstairs part of the Vicarage collapsed. There have been repeated delays in trying to get an insurance assessor on site and a building firm interested in carrying out the repairs. Work will finally begin mid-week next week.

<u>AGM elections</u> Kate Paterson is the People's Warden for the year ahead and Tubby Hopkins is the Vicar's Warden. The Vestry members are David Scoular, David Hoskins, Ken Ferguson, Alex Chisholm and Brian Kilkelly.

**<u>Rock</u>** The deadline for copy for the next edition of the Rock is Sunday 21 May.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia and Sheree Napier, Jonathan Gillies, Katie Bowron and Bruce Moore.

**Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time** Barbara Rodgers, Arthur Bath, Warwick Larkins, John Allen, Harriet Hamer and Brent Bachop.

<u>Mid-week Service</u> The Thursday 10 am Eucharist will be celebrated in the parish lounge from now on until the late Spring in the interest of keeping the congregation warm.

<u>A plan and a plate night</u> The South Dunedin stakeholder night is hosting an event at the Blind Foundation centre at the corner of Law Street and Hillside road on Thursday 18 May from 6 pm to 8 pm at which it invites people to share a plan, project or idea – or just an interest – about the South Dunedin community or their street. The group will provide a meal to all who attend this event.

The Lowdown and CavershamConnect communitynewsletters"The Lowdown" and the "Caversham Connect"are two different community newsletters that have emergedrecently from different sources but both with the aim ofencouraging the regeneration of South Dunedin. Nick Orbell,the DCC employed South D community worker compiles andedits the Lowdown. Copies of these newsletters are available inthe Link and can easily be subscribed to by e mail.

**Anticipating Pentecost** The Easter season we are passing through now will conclude in the first weekend of June with the celebration of the feast of Pentecost. A reminder that we make as much as we can of this vitally important event in the liturgical year by having a special Service on the eve of Pentecost, Saturday 3 June at 6 pm, in which we keep a Vigil of readings immediately followed by a celebration of the Eucharist according to the liturgy of St Basil ICEL text. A potluck meal follows in the parish lounge.

## **Parish Contacts**

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