



St Johns Papatoetoe
Connecting with God and Community

St Johns Presbyterian Church

8 May 2022 Easter 4/Home & Family Sunday

Welcome to our worship service! It is so good to have YOU here. Thank you for worshipping with us today. (congregation's response is **bolded** below).

Call to Worship

Leader: Disciples, do you love Jesus?

People: Yes, you know that we love Jesus.

Leader: Feed his lambs.

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Adoration

1 Where mountains rise to open skies to see the line of your design,
your name O Lord is echoed far to feel creation's energy.
from island beach to Kauri's reach
in water's light, in lake and star.

2 Your people's heart, your people's part that every child have equal; scope:
be in our caring for this land in justice done, in trust begun
for faith and flower for aroha shall be our heritage and hope.
to let each other's mana stand.

3 From broken word,
from conflict stirred,
from lack of vision, set us free

4 Your love be known,
compassion shown

5 When mountains rise to open skies
your way of peace distill the air
your spirit bind all humankind,
one covenant of life to share!

Lighting the Candle

L: We light the Christ Candle

P: Christ is the Light of the World.

Prayer for Forgiveness

Jesus Christ, son of the Living God, how many times have we betrayed, abandoned and denied you? You welcome and forgive us, nonetheless. Let us not be driven

away from you in shame or hide from you fearing full exposure. Welcome us once again, forgive us and redeem us. Amen.

Time of silent confession

Hymn of Praise for Mothers

1 Faith of our mothers, living still
In cradle song and bedtime prayer;
In nursery lore and fireside love,
Thy presence still pervades the air.
Faith of our mothers, living faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

2 Faith of our mothers, loving faith,
Fount of our childhood's trust and grace,
Oh, may thy consecration prove
Source of a finer, nobler race;
Faith of our mothers, loving faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

3 Faith of our mothers, guiding faith,
For youthful longing, youthful doubt,
How blurred our vision, blind our way,
Thy providential care without.
Faith of our mothers, guiding faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

4 Faith of our mothers, Christian faith,
In truth beyond our stumbling creeds,
Still serve the home and save the Church,
And breathe thy spirit thru our deeds;
Faith of our mothers, Christian faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Children's Presentation & Prayer for Mothers (before Children go to classes)

1 The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.
He leadeth me, he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

2 My soul he doth restore again
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake;
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and
staff me comfort still;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

4 My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.
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and my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be; and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

Prayer for Illumination:

Bible Reading: Acts 9:36-43; Revelation 7:9-17

Sermon: *Fresh Sun!* by Rev Timothy Rose

Reflective Chorus

He is Lord, he is Lord,
He is risen from the dead
and he is Lord.
Ev'ry knee shall bow,
ev'ry tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Affirmation of Faith

From this land of Aotearoa New Zealand we confess that

**We believe in God the Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour,
truly human and truly divine,
who lived among us full of grace and truth.
For our sin he was crucified
and by the power of God was raised from death,
forgiving us, setting us free and bringing to birth God's new creation.
Now ascended, he calls us to repentance and faith
and restores us to God and to one another.**

**We belong to this triune God, women and men, young and old, from many
nations, in Christ we are one people.**

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (SPECIAL READING)

Closing Chorus

Majesty, worship His Majesty:
Unto Jesus be all glory, honour, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority,
Flow from His throne unto His own, His anthems raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.

Majesty, worship His Majesty, Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all Kings.

Charge and Blessing

Benediction

Now unto him who is able to keep, able to keep you from falling,
and present you faultless before the presence of his glory
with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour
be glory and majesty, dominion and power both now and forever. Amen.

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NEXT WEEK IS FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Lectionary Readings: Acts 9:36-43; Ps 23; Rev 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Duty Elder: Alan Robinson
Welcome: Adrienne Grayson & Joanne Robinson
Reading: Joanne Robinson
Prayer: Glenis McGechie
Offering: Alofa Fa'asavala & Jack Malase
Flowers: Joanne Robinson
Morning Tea: Bycroft Family

COOK ISLANDS LANGUAGE SERVICE NEXT WEEK: Mr Tukoa Moetaua

FAMILY CAMP: October 14 - 16

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Thursday, 9.30 am - 2.30 pm

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