



**SIXTH
SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

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2019

INTROIT

A sound came from heaven

Douglas Mews (1918-1993)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**Jesus calls us here to meet him,
as through word and song and prayer
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps such promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.**

**Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life including all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness,
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.**

**Jesus calls us to each other:
found in him are no divides.
Race and class and sex and language –
such are barriers he derides.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.**

*Words: John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b.1958), adapted
Tune: Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991). TIS 153*



Praise the liv-ing God from the earth! Praise God from the heav-ens,



sun and moon, and shin-ing stars, praise the liv - ing God!

Praise the living God:

clouds and storms and ocean currents,
fish in the sea and creatures of the deep,
animals and cattle, insects and birds,
praise the living God!



Praise the liv-ing God from the earth! Praise God from the heav-ens,



sun and moon, and shin-ing stars, praise the liv - ing God!

Praise the Holy Name

who did not rely only on angels and messengers
but came among us in person, whose living presence saves us!
Praise God's Holy Name!



Praise the liv-ing God from the earth! Praise God from the heav-ens,



sun and moon, and shin-ing stars, praise the liv - ing God!

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Please be seated.

A NEW COMMANDMENT

Hear the teaching of Christ:

A new commandment I give to you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

Spirit of God, search our hearts.

THE SENTENCE AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled,
and do not let them be afraid.

**Holy One,
you breathe the word of love
and the promise of new creation
into our souls and hearts:
in the wildness of your Spirit,
teach us the costly way of fearless love
and priceless peace,
Amen.**²

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 16:9-15

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

² *Steven Shakespeare, adapted*

THE GRADUAL HYMN



Ta - ma ngā-kau mā - ri - e, Ta - ma a t'A - tu - a,



tē - nei to - nu mā - tou, a - ro - hai - na mai.



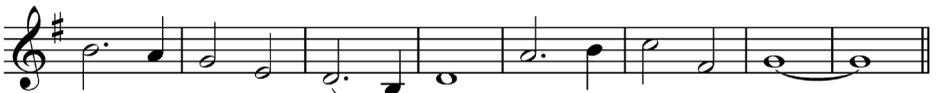
Mu - ru - a rā ngā ha - ra. We - te - ki - na mai_____



ē - nei he - re ki - no, wha - ka - ra - ru nei.



Ta - ka - hi - a ki ra - ro, tau e ki - no ai;



kei pā ka - ha to - nu, ko ngā ma - hi hē.

Choir:

Hōmai he aroha, mōu i mate nei. Tēnei ra, e Ihu, tākina e koe.



Tē - nei a - ra - hi - na, a tu - tu - ki no - a:



pu - ta i te pōu - ri, whi - whi ha - ri nui.

Ta - ma ngā-kau mā - ri - e, Ta - ma a t'A - tu - a,
 tē-nei to-nu mā - tou, a-ro-hai-na mai. A-mi - ne.

Son of peaceful heart, Son of God, here we are, love us.

Take away our sins. Undo these evil ties which bind us.

Trample under foot whatever is evil, lest the power remain of the evil deeds.

Give us love for you who died. This day, Jesus, you lead us.

This is the pathway to the end through the darkness to receive great joy.

Son of peaceful heart, Son of God, here we are, love us. Amen.

Words: Traditional Maori hymn

Tune: Tama ngakau marie, traditional Maori hymn. AA 128

THE GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of Christ according to John,
 chapter fourteen, beginning at verse twenty-three.

Hal-le - lu - jah, — hal-le-lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

John 14:23-29

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Hal - le - lu - jah, — hal-le-lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

THE SERMON

ANTHEM

Blessed be the God and Father

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Silence

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Liturgist: Let us stand to affirm our resurrection faith.

**We believe in the power of Christ to overcome all deaths,
deaths in us and death in the world.**

**We believe in life which rises in freedom
and carries us in joy towards grace beyond our imagining,
calling our spirits to soar in freedom with wings of hope
borne high in the wonder of Easter Day.**

The gift of life will never be taken from us.

**The costly life of God will be our company
for ever and for ever. ³**

Please be seated.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist:

Let us pray for those far and near,
people and places, powerful and powerless,
all for whom we are concerned.

THE PEACE

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

The peace of God be with you all.

In God's justice is our peace.

E te whanau, Christ calls us to live in unity.

We seek to live in the Spirit of Christ.

Please turn and greet those around you with peace.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN ³



These hills where the hawk flies lone-ly, beach-es where the long surf rolls,



moun-tains where the snows meet heav-en, these are our care.



Pas-tures where the sheep graze calm-ly, or-chards where the ap-ples grow,



gar-dens where the ros-es clus-ter, these are our__ prayer.



For-ests where the tree ferns tow-er, riv-ers run - ning strong and clear,



o-ceans where the great whales wan-der, these are our care.



Race meet - ing__ race as e-quals, jus-tice for__ age-old wrong,



worth for eve-ry man and wo-man, these are our__ prayer.

³ During this hymn there is a collection to support St Matthew's;

for electronic giving option: text **stmatthew to 818** to make a fast one off or ongoing donation by credit card to St Matthew-in-the-City.

Or you can download the PUSHPAY app from Apple Store or Google Playstore and search for St Matthew-in-the-City.



Cit-ies where the young roam rest- less, lives brought to_ deep de-spair,



home-less and_ power-less peo - ple, these are our care.



Plac-es where the Word is spo-ken, hands held in_ serv-ing love,



faiths of our_ man - y cul-tures, these are our_ prayer.



All that the_ old world gave us, all that the_ new world brings,



lan-guage, i - deas and cus-toms, these are our care.



Life find - ing_ joy and val- ue, faith seek - ing_ truth and light,



God heard and_ seen in all things, this be our_ prayer.

*Words: Colin Gibson
Tune: Kaikoura, Colin Gibson. FFS 63*

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Glory be to God who flows through all creation,
blessing us with gifts to share.

Musical notation for the first line of the hymn. It features a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. There are two triplet markings over the first three notes and the next three notes. The lyrics are: Bless-ed be God for ev - er.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Cantor *All*

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn. It features a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. There is a triplet marking over the last three notes. The lyrics are: The Spirit is here God's hope is in us

Cantor *All*

Musical notation for the third line of the hymn. It features a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics are: Lift up your hearts We lift them up to God

Cantor

Musical notation for the fourth line of the hymn. It features a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics are: Let us give thanks to the God of peace

All

Musical notation for the fifth line of the hymn. It features a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps, and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics are: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Creating God.
In you all things are good.

You love us into being, you form us in your image
and breathe into us the breath of life.

When we turn away, and our love fails,
your love remains steadfast.

Your love delivers us from captivity,
and brings us into lands flowing with milk and honey.

You set before us the way of life.

And so, with the people of earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name as we join their unending hymn:

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One, God of po-wer and might

Heav'n and Earth are_ full of Your glo-ry. Ho -san-na in the high-est.

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Bless the_ One who comes in the pow'r of love. Ho-

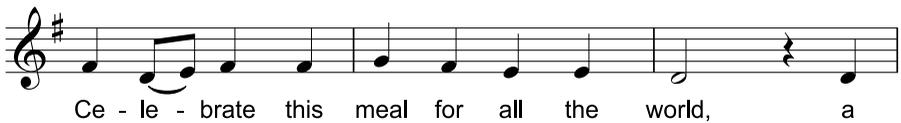
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san -na, Ho -san-na, Ho -san - na in the high - est!

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus.
By his baptism and death
you give your church birth into a living hope.
In Christ, risen from death,
you make a new covenant with us
by water and the Spirit, and deliver us into freedom.
We are now your resurrected people, the living body of Christ.
declaring life, hope and justice.

On the last night Jesus shared a meal with his friends,
he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,
gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat: this is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said,
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new Covenant,
which is shed for you and for all,
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.

On the third day he was revealed to the women
and was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of bread.



And so, remembering these
your mighty acts in Jesus the Christ,
we offer ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice,
and we praise you and we bless you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
By your spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in loving service to all the world,
until all feast at your heavenly banquet. ⁵



Blessing and hon-our and glo - ry be Yours, here and
ev'-ry -where now and for - ev - er, A - men.

Please be seated.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kua akona nei tātou e to tātou Ariki, ka inoi tātou:

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.

Aua 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.

⁵ *Richard Fabian, St Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco, adapted*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the hope of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.**

We sing three times:



Love tri-umphs o-verfear, Love tri-umphs o-verfear,
Love _____ tri-umphs o - ver fear.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn: 'Love tri-umphs o-verfear, Love tri-umphs o-verfear,'. The second staff contains the melody for the second line: 'Love _____ tri-umphs o - ver fear.' The lyrics are written below the notes, with a blank line under 'Love' in the second line.

THE INVITATION

Haere mai e te kahui a te Atua,
tangohia enei kai rangatira a te Karaiti.

Come, bringing your varied faiths and backgrounds,
for all are welcome to share in this act of communion.

*All are welcome to come and receive the bread and wine;
there are gluten free wafers, just ask the serving priest.*

*There is a chalice for dipping -
simply hold the bread in front of you to signify your choice.*

*If you do not wish to take communion
you may come forward for a blessing.*

*If the stairs are a barrier please sit in the front pews
and communion will be brought to you.*

Te Taro o te Ora. The bread of life.

Te Kapu o te Ora. The cup of salvation.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Fa'afetai i le Atua

Samoan Trad

Hail, gladdening light

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Risen Christ,
whom we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands;
the word of life in whom our joy is complete:
send us out to declare your truth,
your unshakeable faith in the world you love.
Amen.** ⁶

THE BLESSING

NOTICES

⁶ *Steven Shakespeare*

FINAL HYMN



Christ is a - live, and the u - ni - verse must cel - e - brate,



and the stars and the suns shout out on this Eas - ter Day!



Christ is a - live, and his fam - i - ly must cel - e - brate



in a great al - le - lu - ia, a great al - le - lu - ia



to praise the power that made the stone roll a - way.



Here is our hope: in the mys - ter - y of suf - fer - ing



is the heart - beat of Love, Love_ that will not let go,



here is our hope, that in God we are not sep - a - rate,



and we sing al - le - lu - ia, we sing al - le - lu - ia



to praise the power that made the stone roll a - way.



Christ Spir - it, dance through the dull-ness of hu - man - i - ty



to the mu - sic of God, God who has set us free!



You are the pulse of the new cre - a - tion's en - er - gy;



with a great al - le - lu - ia, a great al - le - lu - ia



we praise the power that made the stone roll a - way.

Words: Shirley Murray
Tune: Christ is Alive, Jillian Margaret Bray (1939-2018). AA 15

Deacon from the rear of the Church:

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Go now for the Spirit of God is alive in the land.

Amen. We go in the power of love.

Alleluia, alleluia.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

The Emperor's Fanfare

Antonio Soler (1729-1783)

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to share with another member of your family, or with a friend.*

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