

3 December 2023

Today's service comes from page 404 of the New Zealand Prayer Book, and will be available online via <u>Facebook</u> or <u>YouTube</u>

Preparing and Letting Go

Readings

Isaiah 64:1-9 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37

Sentence

"God is faithful; by God you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord"

1 Corinthians 1:9

Prayer

God of hope,
When Christ your Son appears
may he not find us asleep or idle,
but active in his service and ready;
through the same Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.

Welcome to St Aidan's! Please join us for morning tea in the Gathering Area after our services. If you are new, or would like more information, please make sure to introduce yourself and fill in a Newcomer's form.

WORSHIP

CARING

MISSION

5 Ascot Avenue, Remuera, Auckland

What's on at St Aidan's

Today

8am - Holy Communion Service.

9:30am - Family service with Holy Communion. *Kids' Church and Youth programs held during the service.*

10:45am - Confidential Prayer in the side chapel.

Our volunteers' Thank You morning tea will follow both services.

7pm - Nine Lessons & Carols Service with Cantemus Choir, and supper.

This Week

AAW Meeting - Tuesday 5th December, 1:30pm Communion service followed by special Christmas afternoon tea and carol singing. All welcome for our last meeting of 2023.

mainly music - Final for 2023, 10am Wednesday in the Hall.

Mid-week Communion service - Wednesday, 11:30am in the Church.

Weekly Prayer - Thursday, 9am in the GA, or join us via <u>Zoom</u>.

Writing Group - 10am on Friday 8th December in the GA. Writing on topics of justice, peace, and the care of creation. Come and write to Rocky Myers, on death row in Alabama for 30+ years! Bring a colourful card or postcard for him. No stamp needed. Morning tea provided.

Prayers

- Family and friends of Murray Spicer whose funeral was held here on Friday
- Social service agencies as they become increasingly busy with the demand leading up to Christmas
- Special services in churches and out in the community as we celebrate the journey of Advent

Sign Up Sheets

Sign up sheets are now in the GA for singing at Sibuns' Tribute in Lights on 10th December and Carols in the Community on 14th December, and for rostered duties at our Christmas and January services.

Coming up

Tribute in Lights - Sunday 10th December, from 7:30pm at Sibuns, 582 Remuera Road, in honour of those no longer with us.

Pins & Needles - Monday 11th December, 10am in the GA.

Carols in the Community - Thursday 14th Dec. Meet in the GA at 5pm.

Carols on the Vicarage Lawn -Sunday 17th December, from 4pm to 5:30pm. BYO snacks and drinks, chairs and blankets, koha for the sausage sizzle.

Men's Breakfast - Thursday 21st December, 7:30am at Browns Café.

Thank You Morning Tea

Please stay after either the 8am or 9:30am service this Sunday 3rd Dec for a special morning tea. We want to say 'Thank You' to our many wonderful volunteers who keep St Aidan's running each week. We appreciate everything you do.

9 Lessons & Carols

7pm, Sunday 3rd December, the Cantemus Choir, including some of our own choir members, will be presenting this very special service. If you would like to bring an unwrapped gift for a child (labelled

boy/girl and age) &/or an offertory donation these will all be given to ATWC. Supper will follow the service. All welcome.



'The Apostle' Magazine

The Christmas edition of 'The Apostle' is now available to collect from the GA, or read online at www.staidans.co.nz/magazines/

There are also lots of other things which we don't have room to advertise, so check our noticeboard regularly for news and activities.

Christmas Cards

A big 'Thank you' to everyone who donated Christmas cards. The Prison Chaplains greatly appreciated our contribution.

Auckland Angels

City Mission Auckland's
Angels has been launched
to provide gifts for children
again this Christmas. Last
year there was a shortfall
for teenagers, particularly boys. Gift
suggestions are on the noticeboard,
approx. \$10-\$20 each. NO clothing
or battery operated toys, thank
you. Gifts need to be unwrapped,
but wrapping paper and tape would
be appreciated! Bring your gift by
Wednesday morning 12th December

New Security Cameras

Following the arson and burglary earlier this year, vestry have increased security by installing security cameras around the site. Video recordings will only be kept for a short time unless there has been an incident, and no audio is recorded. Please get in touch with Louise if you have any concerns.

New Vestry

Following our AGM, the newly elected vestry members for 2024 are: People's Warden Desré Simpson, vestry members Jenny Haggitt, Steven Khoo, Kumar Mather, Mark Rushton, and Isobell Tregoweth. James Parkinson remains the Vicar's Warden, David Jamison and Julie Barnes remain as Synod Rep's and, of course, our Clergy Louise and Kerry.

Regular Events @ St Aidan's

Sunday Services	8:00am Holy Communion
	9:30am Family Communion with Youth and Kids' Church
AAW	A women's fellowship group meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm in the GA.
Choir Practice	Practise Saturdays, 10:00am in the Bethel Room (in the upstairs offices). Contact Antoinette.
Contemplative Prayer	Meditation (online) each Wednesday at 9:45am - contact Anne 524 2452.
Kids' Church	All children aged 3-10 during the 9:30am service. Contact <u>Izzi</u> .
mainly music	Wednesday at 9:30am in the Hall during school terms. Music and play for families with
Men's Ministry	pre-school aged children. Contact Kerry.
•	Meets on the last Thursday of each month for breakfast at 7:30am. Contact <u>Kerry</u> .
Mid-week Communion	Mid-week Holy Communion held each Wednesday at 11:30am.
Pins & Needles	A knitting for charity group. Meets monthly on 2 nd Monday at 10:00am in the GA. All welcome
Prayer Meeting	Thursday mornings at 9:00am in the GA, or join from home via Zoom - Enter the Zoom online
	meeting ID: 959 1932 0025, or phone: +64 9 884 6780 and enter Passcode 1 #.
Small Groups	All welcome! Contact your home group leader, or speak to Sheryl or <u>Louise</u> for information
	about joining a Home Group.
Vestry	Meet monthly 7:30pm in the GA on the fourth Thursday. Next formal meeting in 2024.
WEF	A women's evening fellowship group. Meets monthly on 3 rd Tuesday at 7:30pm in the GA.
Writing Group	Community-focused writing for advocacy and justice, 10:00am on the last Friday of each
	month - contact Anne 524 2452.
Young Adults	Meets every 2 nd Sunday at 11am plus occasional social events. Contact <u>Isobell</u> .
Youth	School aged youth (age 11+), Sunday at 9:30am service and Friday at 7:00pm. Contact Nic.

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