



Prophets

WARNING AND HOPE

“Empowering people to be Christ’s followers in the world.”

SUNDAY SERVICE, 19 October

PROPHETS—Warning and Hope

SPEAKER: Hayley Lewis — Anna & Simeon

READINGS: Isaiah 40:28-31; Acts 1:7-8; Luke 2:25-38

VERSE OF THE DAY: Romans 15:13

**“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and
peace as you trust in him, so that you may
overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”**



WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 22 October - 10.00am

SPEAKER: Judy Carey

Serving Others —Mark 10:32-45

NEXT SUNDAY, 26 October - 10.00am

SPEAKER: Josh Jones

The Prophets

**VISITORS ... It's great having you worship with us today. We hope you
feel at home, and please join us in hall after service for morning tea.**

Reflection from the Rev. Josh Jones

We are pleased to see a number of new people attending St George's these past weeks and it's been especially heartening to hear them tell us of how much they've enjoyed their time among us. A few of these have involved stories of past hurts and traumas from church communities and it gives me great personal joy to hear them say that St George's feels like a place they can find healing. Their stories are a living testimony to the words we have repeated so often as our Christ centred Kingdom aspiration.

If this is not a place where tears are understood, where do I go to cry?

If this is not a place where my spirits can take wing, where do I go to fly?

If this is not a place where my questions can be asked, where do I go to seek?

If this is not a place where my feelings can be heard, where do I go to speak?

If this is not a place where you'll accept me as I am, where do I go to be me?

To everyone who walks into this sacred and safe space we say to you all, come and know the redeeming power of Christ, come and hear the Spirit's leading, come and find your healing in an encounter with the Living God.

Today is yet another significant time for us as a St George's church whanau for two reasons. Firstly, we will celebrate the baptism of Eilish, the daughter of our very own Sharada and Sunny.

Secondly, we will hear a sermon from Hayley, our St George's Community Coordinator. One of the big joys of these past few years has been to witness the ministry development of Hayley as she first attended the **Arrow Leadership Course** and is now at **Laidlaw Bible College** studying her Graduate Diploma in Theology. It's our very great pleasure to say that today Hayley will continue our series on the prophets by exploring the prophetess Anna.

GIVING

- **DONATION BOX: In the Church.**
 - **EFTPOS: Available at the back of the Church**
 - **INTERNET BANKING: Bank A/c**
- St Georges Church Epsom : 03-0104-0109844-01**

***To get a giving number for tax receipt purposes, email
lisad@stgeorgesepsom.org.nz**

Hello & welcome to our service today 😎

We're looking forward to seeing everyone up in the hall for KidsChurch this morning! ❤️

Have a wonderful week!

Jess, Hayley and the team



Lukas' Ordination Service to Office of Deacon

Saturday 29th November at 10am

At Holy Trinity Cathedral

St George's are required to supply eight plates of finger food.

If you can help out, please email office@stgeorgeseppsom.org.nz

BAPTISMS

We are planning a Baptism service on the
2nd of November

for those who would like to make a public declaration of their faith. Please let **Josh** or **Jeremy** know if you are interested.

We will have pre-baptism conversations with the Baptism candidates. You are welcome to join the exploration without a commitment of getting baptised at the end if you are unsure.

Living as the Beloved

Do you long to know that you are God's beloved? Jeannie Martin Blaker & Eamon Butler are offering a (mostly silent) retreat based on the book '*Life of the Beloved*' by Henri Nouwen.

When: 13-16th November 2025. **Cost** \$625

Where: the Friary, 50 Hillsborough Rd.
Live in only (meals and bedding provided)

Email Jeannie for further details:
jmartin.blaker@gmail.com

Life-giving conversation

St G's men with the men resident at Elizabeth Knox Home

October 24th session cancelled

Next one 2:00 pm Fri 28th November
(4th Friday of the Month)

Join other St G's men in conversation Liz Knox men. Just bring yourself and a few life stories to share. For catering purposes, email or phone your availability to Steve Barnett

Steve.Barnett.clear@gmail.com, 021 672107



Term 4 Classes have begun!

Every Tuesday - English classes from beginner to advanced levels

Thursday - English classes using the Bible

Classes are from 10am-12 pm in the church hall and youth rooms.

If anyone would like to be involved in this wonderful ministry please

Contact: Jo Bissett 0211055347, David Blaker 0273165173 or Lynette Wood 0212083561



PILGRIMAGE to The Coptic Church of St Mark Beach Haven Thursday 4th December

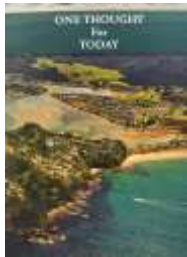


This 12 km pilgrimage begins at Northcote Point and ends at Beach Haven Wharf, with ferry rides at the start and finish. The route includes three bush sections and stops at points of interest along the way.

The Coptic Church traces its origins to St Mark in first-century Egypt and has endured through centuries of persecution. Today, around 10% of Egyptians remain Coptic, making it the strongest Christian presence in the Middle East.

To register, contact Greg Smith (09 524 2926)
or Glen Candy (027 336 8358).

One Thought For Today



*By Bishop
Bruce Gilbert
\$25*

*Available from
Julie or Duncan
Macdonald*

Working Bee!



***Wednesday
22nd October***

The team will meet between
9am & 12pm.

New helpers welcome!

Please Join Us For Morning Tea

You are invited to stay for morning tea in the **Hall** after the service.



Opportunities for Prayer at St George's

Saturday Morning Prayer: Weekly prayer meeting in the Pastoral Care Room. 8.30am – 9.30am. Contact Malcolm Taylor, taylors_nz@xtra.co.nz for more information. All welcome.

Prayer Ministry: After every service there are always people available to pray with you. All those offering prayer have been trained to pray with others.

Confidential Prayer Chain: Contact: Lynette Wood dandlwood@gmail.com
or phone 021 208 3561

