



# "Empowering people to be Christ's followers in the world."

SUNDAY SERVICE, 9 November

### **BFING WITH**

SPEAKER: Charmaine Braatvedt

READINGS: Exodus 33:7-20; 1 Corinthians 3:16-17; Matthew 28:16-20

VERSE OF THE DAY: John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.



WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 12 November - 10.00am SPEAKER: Judy Carey

"The Foolish Foliage" Mark 11: 12-21

NEXT SUNDAY, 16 November - 10.00am SPEAKER: Josh Jones Being With Each Other

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

Last Sunday was another very special occasion for our gathered worshipping community for which we give grateful thanks to God. The baptisms of Susan, James, Margaret and daughter Ava was another testimony to the Spirit's work among our church whanau.

As a leadership team we are constantly in humble awe at the healing, restoring work of Christ in our lives. This doesn't mean that we are without deep trials and all prayers for physical healing are answered, we simply give thanks that God's grace and presence permeate all our joys and sorrows.

Today, Rev Charmaine will explore this gracious presence in the 2nd of our series **Being With.** How we can all practise the presence of God in all the small details of our lives, and the so called ordinary and every day? Scripture reveals to us very clearly that God is With Us even in the times when we may fail to recognise the Spirit's work all around us and within.

# <u>ADVENT PRAYER FOCUS - Evening Service Saturday 29th November</u> 24 hours of Prayer for light of Christ to shine in the darkness

Every year we are very intentional about underpinning the sacred journeys of Advent and Lent with prayer time. For the past 2 years we've invited everyone to sign up for a particular time slot in the 24 hours leading up to our first Advent Sunday service. This year there will be no online slots, we simply ask that you prioritise a time for prayer. Along with the individual times of prayer we will be holding an **evening service as a time for gathering together**.

We invite you to join us to pray for our world and ourselves as we begin this season. The church building will also be open from midday until 8.30 pm. Please feel free to come and light a candle as a symbol of Christ's light illuminating the darkness of our world.

### **GIVING**

- DONATION BOX: In the Church.
- EFTPOS: Available at the back of the Church
- INTERNET BANKING: Bank A/c

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Hello and 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





Join us for our end of year women's event

# **Table Talks!**

Get to know the amazing women in our church - five minutes at a time!



We'll be mixing, chatting, and moving around the table for a night full of laughter, stories, and new friendships.

## Thursday 13 November 7.30 - 9pm

If possible, let Hayley know if you can make it, otherwise just turn up on the night. Stgs.woment@gmail.com or 027 4355 488

# 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@stgeorgesepsom.org.nz

# **Newcomers Lunch**



NOVEMBER 23rd
AFTER THE SERVICE

Advent Lunch on the Lawn

14th December

SAVE THE DATE



Celebrating the season and end of the year - Bring a plate



Please Join Us For Morning Tea

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

# 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 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).



Join us as Te rangatira Te Mape Haimona, and Tangata Tiriti speaker Sir David Moxon help us to faithfully consider the ways in which the legacy of Wiremu Tāmihana might lead us into the future

### Date & Time:

Tuesday 18th November, 6:30-9pm

#### Location:

St James Māngere Bridge, Tāmaki Makaurau

Cost: \$20

Register: https://tinyurl.com/2fsy2duf



### **Youth Christmas Fundraiser**

As we celebrate Christmas, we want to bless those less fortunate than us.

This will be a combination of food, presents and donations. The food and presents will be collected on Sunday the 14th of December.

If you would prefer to make a donation please scan QR code for link to our donation page

Thank you for your support!



# 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

