



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


SUNDAY SERVICE, 12 April

“Resurrection Hope”

SPEAKER: Charmaine Braatvedt

READINGS: 1 Peter 1:3-9 ; John 20:19-31

VERSE OF THE DAY: Acts 2:32 **“This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”**

<p>Wednesday Morning 10am Service</p> 	<p>WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 15 April - 10.00am SPEAKER: Judy Carey “Joseph meets his brothers” Genesis 42:1-17</p>
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<p>NEXT SUNDAY, 19 April - 10.00am SPEAKER: Jeremy Woods <i>“Resurrection Hope”</i></p>
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VISITORS ... It’s great to have you worshipping 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

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight"

Proverbs 3:5-6

Every week Jeremy and I begin the week with a get together to debrief on the past week, catch up on pastoral needs, look ahead, think creative thoughts and pray. At the core of these conversations is to always discern where God has been at work in the life of our community and to seek the Spirit's leading. As we looked back on Holy Week we both felt a huge sense of gratitude for the providence and presence of God in all our 4 services.

On Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday the presence of God 's Spirit was tangible as we were touched and moved to the deepest parts of our human experience, from our tears of sorrow to the exclamations of our joy in Resurrection Hope.

There were so many moments throughout all of the services that captured the essence of what it means to be an authentic community in Christ walking together in vulnerability and encouragement for each other. One of the most pleasing aspects of the past couple of years is to see the increasingly diverse ethnic and cultural mix among us. This is a beautiful reflection of God's Kingdom and in these increasingly troubled times it's something God's church must cherish and nurture.

This Sunday both Jeremy and I will be away to have some time to tend to our souls and be with whanau and we are so appreciative to have both Stan and Charmaine in our ministry team to lead us all in our worship today. This Sunday and next we will continue to explore our Resurrection Hope through the appearances of the Risen Christ to his disciples as he ushered in the New Creation reality.

Finally, after what's been a very troubling week with the actions of those in power, once again revealing a complete lack of moral compass and credibility, we bring all of our prayers for the Power of Christ to overcome all that is not of the Kingdom Way and Truth. Loving, healing, reconciling and restoring God, please let Your will be done here in the Earthly realm as it is in the Heavenly realm. Amen.

GIVING

- **DONATION BOX: In the Church.**
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Welcome to our service this morning.

As it is school holidays there's no kids' church programme today, please feel free to use the activities and toys in the creche room.



Jess, Hayley and the team



Anzac Pilgrimage

Saturday 18 April



This is a special pilgrimage where the destination will be our own church. Pilgrims will meet at 9.00am outside the Ferry Building in downtown Auckland. From there we will walk back to our own church looking at various war memorials along the route. At St George's there will be a special presentation

dedicated to the men of our congregation killed in World War 2. The day will conclude with drinks at the Halifax RSA.

To register your interest please contact Greg Smith, Glen Candy or Evan Walters. See St George's Contacts Book for details.

Tāmaki Makaurau
Auckland

**Sustainability
Champions
Workshop**

**2 SATURDAY
MAY**

All Saints Ponsonby
9 am – 2 pm

ECO CHURCH
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Anglican Diocese
of Auckland

If you are interested in attending this workshop please register at
www.ecochurch.org.nz/events

Please Join Us For Morning Tea

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



A CELEBRATION OF CREATIVE ARTS

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH EPSOM
16-17 OCTOBER 2026



We recommence on the **Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd April** the same week school starts back after the school holidays.

If improving your English speaking and understanding would be of help to you please join us
Tuesdays and Thursdays
10 - 12pm.

Next Working Bee

Wednesday 15th April

The team will meet between
9am & 12pm.

New helpers welcome!



REST / RENEWAL / MATESHIP

Men's Retreat

All men ages 13
to 93 welcome

steve.barnett.clear@gmail.com

SEP 4-6, Flaxmill Bay



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

taylor_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

dandwood@gmail.com or phone 021 208 3561

