



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

SUNDAY SERVICE, 13 Sept

Awe and Wonder - “Turn Aside”

SPEAKER: Jeremy Woods

READINGS: Exodus 3:1-5; 2 Corinthians 3:13-18; John 20:11-18

		WEDNESDAY SERVICE 16 Sept - 10.00am SPEAKER: Judy Carey “Faith More Valuable Than Gold” 1 Peter 6-12
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NEXT SUNDAY, 20 Sept - 10.00am

SPEAKER: Josh Jones

Awe and Wonder - “Holy Communion”

VISITORS ... It’s great to have you worshipping with us today. We hope you feel at home, please join us in the hall after service for morning tea.

Reflection from Josh Jones

"To see a World in a Grain of Sand / And a Heaven in a Wild Flower / Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand / And Eternity in an hour." – William Blake

Last week I spoke about the challenge and the encouragement of 'noticing' the all-pervading presence of God in every aspect of our lives. In our weekly E-news the reflection question was **'How might you cultivate your attention to all that is holy in your life, and what distracts you from this?'**

This past week I've tried to continue making this part of my own daily walk of 'practicing the presence of God' in 'all things.' I've become more and more convinced that the temptation for the demon of distraction is unprecedented and the greatest peril to our spiritual and emotional well-being.

We do try to make all of our sermon series a continuous journey of exploration with each theme speaking into, and responding to, the other. In our recent series on the Seven Deadly Sins, you may remember we looked at the spiritual malaise of Acedia (Sloth) and this quote from **Pope Francis** gave us the perfect definition.

"The demon of acedia wants to destroy the simple joy of the here and now, the grateful wonder of reality; it wants to make you believe that it is all in vain - that nothing has meaning. "

This is why we wanted to respond with this current series so that we can cultivate the spirit of 'astonished gratitude' awe, reverence and wonder in our hearts and imaginations to combat the forces that can steal this away.

Today Jeremy will continue this important exploration for our spiritual formation with his theme **Turn Aside**.

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Welcome to our service this morning, we're so glad to have you with us.



Jess, Hayley and the team



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7.30-9pm

St George's Anglican Church

Auckland



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St. George's Life Groups

St George's has a number of **Life Groups** that operate on a fortnightly basis. These groups focus on pastoral support, spiritual nourishment and getting to know one another better. We are keen for as many people as possible to be a part of a supportive **Life Group**.

Please contact office@stgeorgeseppsom.org.nz

or you can speak to **Gray Peterson / Shelley Taylor** if you are interested in finding out more about our **Life Groups**.



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 ph 021 208 3561

