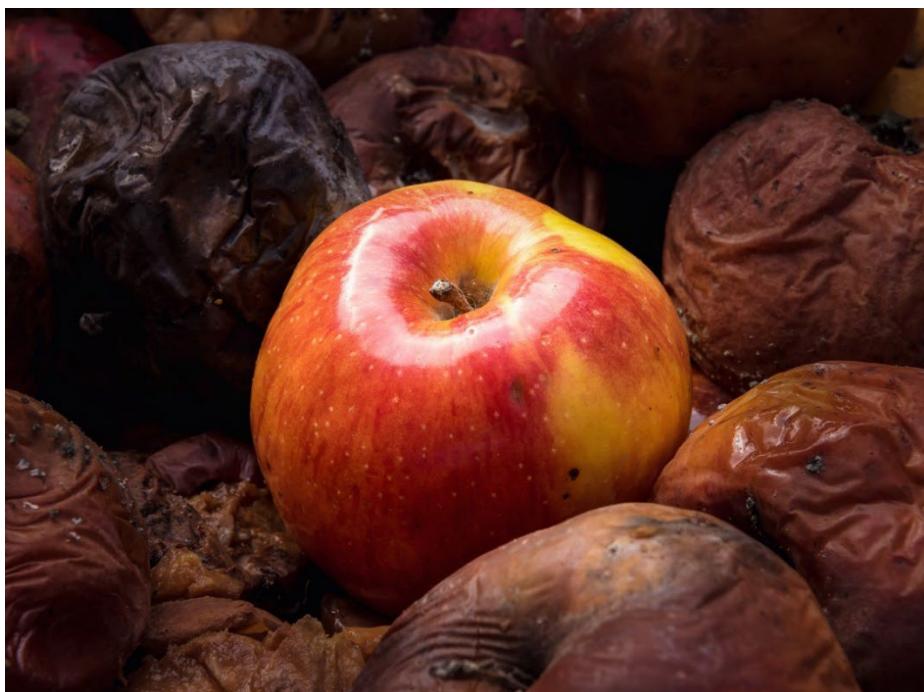




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Sunday 17th July 2022 – Pentecost 6

Haere mai ki tēnei Whare Karakia
Welcome to this House of Prayer



**We are a multi-racial Christian community:
Methodist in affiliation – Ecumenical in intention
Diverse in theology – Inclusive in outreach.**

**Kia ora koutou katoa — Talofa Lava
Malo e lelei — Bula Vinaka Greetings to you all!**

Order of Service - 10am Congregation

26th June 2022 Pentecost 6

Leader: Rev Nicola Teague Grundy

Organist: Colin Scarf

Welcome and Introduction

Call to Worship

God has called us to this place.

What do you see?

We see people who model for us

God's joyous embrace of all people.

God has brought us to this place.

What do you hear?

We hear God's hope that we are able to see each person

as our sister or brother.

God has challenged us to open our lives and hearts to others.

What will you do?

We will do only one thing:

welcome everyone in God's name!

Lighting the Candles

As we light these candles, we say together:

God of justice,

your word is light and truth.

Be present to us to restore us,

That we may walk in your way,

Seeking justice and doing good.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: In this familiar place

In this familiar place
I know the mystery of your grace.

*For the love that I receive, for the truth that I believe,
I praise and thank you for this here and now.*

In halting song and word
the music of your voice is heard.

Among these friends of mine
I taste the company divine.

Within this narrow sphere
I learn that you are everywhere.

Prayer of Approach

Loving God

You are gracious, merciful and forgiving

You came seeking us when we had no thought for you

We confess that we get carried along by the spirit of our age

We think so much of what we may possess

So little of what we can give

So much of the immediate

So little of the eternal

So much of ourselves

So little of you

Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

We desire other people to think well of us

We want so much to make a good impression

We have so much concern for our reputation

So little for yours

We think so often of how others could serve our needs

So little of how we can serve others

Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Strengthen us through the tests that we face
deliver us from conformity to the standards of the world
send your Spirit
so that we may be uncompromising in our worship and service of you.
Make our lip-service into reality
that here and now we would live as your people
owned by you, and joyfully celebrating your life.
In Christ's name
Amen

Story Time

Hymn: Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu-, alleluia.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek and ye shall find;
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Allelu-, alleluia.

We shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord;
Allelu-, alleluia.

Karen Lafferty

Ministry of the Word

Amos 8: 1-12 [The Message]

Luke 10: 38-42 [The Message]

Reflection

Hymn: Deep in the human heart

Deep in the human heart
the fire of justice burns;
a vision of a world renewed
through radical concern.

As Christian we are called
to set the captives free,
to overthrow the evil powers
and end hypocrisy.

This is our task today
to build a world of peace;
a world of justice, freedom, truth,
where kindness will increase;
a world from hunger freed,
a world where people share,
where every person is of worth
and no-one lives in fear.

Taking the step of faith,
we leave the past behind
and move into the future's world
with open heart and mind.
By grace we work with Christ,
as one community,
to bring new hope and fuller life
to all humanity.

William L (Bill) Wallace

Community Time

Sharing the Peace

May a heart of peace rest with you.
And also with you.

Notices, Sharing Joys, Things we are Grateful for, Sorrows and Concerns

Prayers of Intercession

Loving God, in every generation you have spoken through your prophets, and you call us today to be a people of justice.

We pray for your world, that peace and justice may increase; for victims of violence and for those who starve while food is stockpiled; for those cheated of a just wage and those exploited for others' gain; for the leaders of nations and for all who work for the resolution of conflict.

We thank you for all who bring to others your justice and peace.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

In every generation you have spoken through your prophets, and you call us today to be a people of faith.

We pray for your church, that it may be a community renewed by your grace,

for the church in places of danger and persecution; for those who disturb us with your challenging message; for all who thirst to hear your word.

We thank you for all who bring your good news to others.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

In every generation you have spoken through your prophets, and you call us today to be a people of hospitality and love.

We pray for the communities in which we live, that they may be places of welcome and acceptance;

for our families and friends, for those with whom we work and learn; for this town and all who work and live here.

We thank you for all who bring to others your love and reconciliation.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

In every generation you have spoken through your prophets,
and you call us today to be a people of compassion.

We pray for those in need, that they may find
comfort and relief;

for those without work and those without rest;
for the lonely and those who mourn;
for the sick and those who will die this day.

We thank you for all who bring to others your
compassion and care.

God of grace,
Hear our prayer.

Loving God, in every generation people of faith have
heard your voice and responded to your call.

We give you thanks for all your faithful servants: for
the virgin Mary, for Mary and Martha, for Mary Magdalene.
May we, following their example, welcome you into
our hearts and homes, sit in your presence and seek
to understand your word, that we may come to share
with all your saints in the joy of your eternal life.

God of grace,
Hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tou Ingoa
Kia tae mai tou rangatira-tanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai
ki runga i te whenua,
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.
Homai ki a mātou aianei
he taro mā mātou mo tēnei ra.
Murua o mātou hara
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.

Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whaka-waia;
Engari whaka-orangia mātou, i te kino:
Nou hoki te rangatira-tanga,
te kaha,
me te kororia,
Ake, ake, ake.
Āmine.

Offering

(We acknowledge offerings made by automatic payment and online banking.)

Blessing of Offering (said together)

May our eyes, our ears, and our mouths be opened.
Let us be doers of the word and not hearers only,
taking on those tasks set before us with uncommon vision
and wholehearted expectation.

Hymn: Every day

Every day I will offer you,
loving God, my heart and mind,
everyway I discover you
in the work your hand has signed;
help me see I'm your image, and
you have dreamed what I might be,
every day in your Spirit,
I'll find the love and energy!

Every day I will look to Christ,
and give thanks for wine and bread
through the pain and the emptiness
where your world cries to be fed;
help me see I can work for change,
and wherever I might be,
every day in your Spirit,
I'll find the love and energy!

Every day I will take your word,
answer your compassion's claim,
celebrate every sign of hope,
every deed done in your name;
help me see you are always there,
and your light can shine through me,
every day in your Spirit,
I'll find the love and energy!

Shirley Murray

Parting Words

Go and travel with the God who is found in ordinary and surprising places.

The candle is extinguished

Go with faith to face our challenges,
with love that casts out fear,
with hope to trust tomorrow,
We accept this day as the gift it is:
a reason for rejoicing.

Words of Blessing

The creative power of God go with us.
The compassionate love of Jesus go with us.
The driving force of the Spirit go with us,
as we follow our calling to link God to all people.
Amen.

**May the grace of God
The love of Christ
And the power of the Holy Spirit
Be with us all, now and forever more. Amen**

Please join us in the new hall for refreshments following the service.

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Liturgy for this service was sourced from:
Unfolding light – Worship Resources <https://unfoldinglight.net/>
Let us Prayer, Janet Nelson
When Progressives gather together, Rex A. E. Hunt

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