

## Wesley Wellington 75 Taranaki Street www.wesleychurch.org.nz

## 27 o Whiringa-ā-nuku (October) 2024 Te Rātapu rua tekau mā toru o te Petekoha (Pentecost 23)

Haere mai ki tēnei whare karakia - welcome to this house of prayer



Living God's love – acting for the common Good

## Kia ora koutou katoa — Tālofa lava Mālō e lelei — Bula vinaka — Greetings to you all!

Welcome to today's service. A special welcome to visitors. We hope you will enjoy worshipping with us this morning and will join us again. Welcoming you today are Norbert & Philomena Nziramasanga

#### 10AM Congregation – Order of Service Worship leader: Hugh Laurenson Organist: Colin Scarf

We acknowledge that we are on the land of the Ngāti Mutunga and Te Āti Awa people and that the Spirit was in the land revealing God to them through law, custom and ceremony. We honour mana whenua and their continuing culture and pray that we might all work together for peace and justice in this place.

#### Welcome and Safety Briefing

Daphne Pilaar

## Call to Worship (Ngā Kupu Whakapūare)

Ko te rā tēnei i hanga i Ihowā. This is the day that the Lord has made. Kia hari, kia koa tatou. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. In this moment, we gather our random thoughts, our scattered lives and bring the entirety of ourselves to this place of calm. Silence. We seek sanctuary so that we can risk everything. Loving God, we ask for stillness Grant us peace in heart, mind and body. We ask for your presence We welcome you to this gathering We ask for inspiration Open our eyes, that we may see. God who is present in our suffering as well as our celebrations, who embraces the anxious, the poor and the broken, who raises up the humble and judges the proud Forgive our selfishness, warm our hearts, stir our generosity, provoke our anger.

Lighting the candle (Kānara Whakamāmā)

Blow gently on the spark that lies within our hearts, that a flame might grow and shed its warmth and light upon our daily journeying with you beside, dear Lord.

## **Opening Prayer (Inoi Tuatahi)**

Holy One,

Open our eyes to your presence Open our minds to your grace Open our lips to your praises Open our hearts to your love Open our hearts to your healing And be found among us. Amen.

# Waiata: Ka waiata ki a Maria

Ka waiata kia Maria Hine i whakaae Whakameatia mai He whare tangata. Hine pūrotu, hine ngākau Hine rangimārie

Ko te whaea, Ko te whaea o te ao (x2)

Words and music by <u>Richard Puanaki</u>

# Prayer of Approach & Words of Assurance (Kupu Kī Pono)

When we want to be a church ever-reforming, yet cling to comfortable ways: Jesus, son of David, have mercy on us! When we want to honour your "still speaking voice," but are fearful of insights which challenge old assumptions: Jesus, son of David, have mercy on us! When we want to live into Jesus' dream of oneness, but fail to listen to voices of difference: Jesus, son of David, have mercy on us! Take heart, get up; Jesus is calling to us! We trust in the one who has guided the church for two millennia. Through Christ, God forgives us our failings, and continues to call us into a community of mutual love and forgiveness. Glory to God! Amen.

## Introducing the Theme (Tīmatanga Kōrero)

# Hymn (Hīmene): Tell out my soul (H&P 86)

- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of his word – in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
   Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; his mercy sure, from age to age the same – his holy name: the Lord, the Mighty One.
- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might! Powers and dominions lay their glory by; proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word! Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure: tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and for evermore!

Timothy Dudley-Smith

## Ministry of the Word (Ngā Pānui Karaipiture)

Norbert Nziramasanga

# Psalm 34: 1-8; 19-22 (NRSVUE) - Praise for Deliverance from Trouble

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.
Look to him, and be radiant, so your[a] faces shall never be ashamed. This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord and was saved from every trouble.
The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.
O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.
Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all.
He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.
Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
The Lord redeems the life of his servants;

#### none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

## Mark 10:46-52 (NRSVUE) - The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So, throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

## **Reflection (He Whakaaroaro)**

#### Waiata: E te Ariki

E te Ariki Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou, E te Ariki Titiro mai rā ki a mātou, Tēnei mātou, ō tamariki, E whakapono ana mātou, ki a koe Auē! Auē! Te Matua te Tamaiti Wairua tapu e.

#### **Community Time**

**Sharing the Peace** 

Notices

# Sharing joys, things we are grateful for, sorrows and concerns

# Prayers of Intercession (Ngā Inoi Mō Te Whānau)

Loving God, thank you for all the blessings and joys in our life. And thank you for this time when we can bring to you the burdens on our hearts. Lord, we pray for everyone going through hard times For people grieving the loss of loved ones or broken relationships, For those who're in a time of transition and find the uncertainty challenging, For those who long for meaning in their lives and for a sense of connectedness. May your grace and light shine on us all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Dear God, we acknowledge the despair and anger in our country at the toll of women hurt and killed by their current or past partners We pray for all women who feel unsafe in their homes and vulnerable as they go about their daily lives.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, in your eyes, there is nothing so broken that it isn't fixable or redeemable And even in the darkest times and places, your love and light always prevail Thank you for all who support and advocate for vulnerable women. May the policy-makers, police, legal and social workers, and all men and women work together for solutions to keep women safe. May your grace and light shine on us all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  Eternal God, we pray for our church, for Christians and for people of faith around the world. May our love of God unite us in our love for our world and guide our actions and messages. We pray for our government and leaders around the world For wisdom and compassion to illuminate their policies. We pray particularly for those in conflict zones, For the people suffering in Ukraine and Gaza. Open all our hearts, loving God That there may be peace on earth, and let it begin with each one of us. We offer to you all our prayers spoken and whispered in our hearts,

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

Lord's Prayer (He Inoi O Te Ariki)

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi Kia tapu tou Ingoa Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga. 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 whakawaia; Engari whakaorangia mātou, i te kino: Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te kororia, Ake, ake, ake. Āmine.

Offering (Tātou Koha Ki Te Hāhi)

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

Blessing of offerings (said together)

Generous God, in the unity that Jesus brings we bring our diverse gifts. Let the Light of the world be the path of our following. Let the Warmth of his spirit enliven our serving on the way. Amen.

# Hymn (Hīmene): Be thou my vision (H&P 378)

- Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art; be Thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- Be Thou my Wisdom, be Thou my true Word; be Thou ever with me and I with Thee, Lord; be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son, be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, be Thou mine inheritance, now and always; be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart, O High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
- High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys, after vict'ry is won; Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be Thou my Vision, O Ruler of all.

translated by Mary E. Byrne

#### Extinguishing the candle (Kānara Whakapoko)

#### Sending forth/Benediction (Ngā Inoi Whakamutunga)

Go out with your eyes opened to the presence of God and follow Jesus on the way. Drink in the richness of God and enjoy the strength of the Lord. And may God give you a long and full life; May Christ Jesus open your eyes to the wonder of life; and may the Holy Spirit fill you with the faith that makes you whole. **We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of Christ. Amen.**  The Grace (said together)

Kia tau ki a tātou katoa, te atawhai o tō tātou Ariki o Ihu Karaiti, me te aroha o te Atua, me te whiwhingatahitanga ki te Wairua Tapu. Āmine

# Please join us for morning tea in the New Hall following the service. Many thanks to the Conway family for providing today's kai and manaakitanga.

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