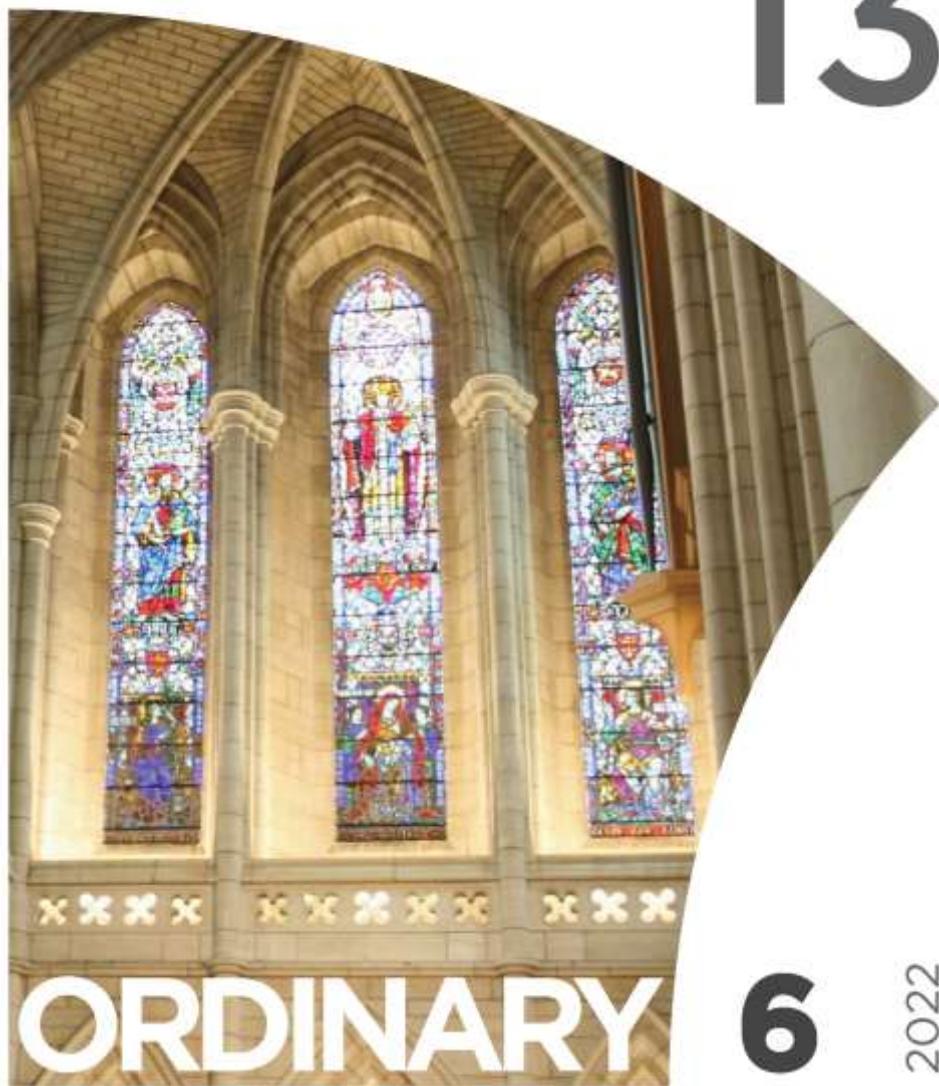




SUNDAY  
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2022

*At any time in the service when we invite you to stand  
you are welcome to remain seated if you need to.*

## INTROIT

*Blessed are the pure in heart*

*Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We thank you, God, for common prayer,  
for words and silence, Spirit-blessed,  
for wine poured out and bread to share,  
for Christ who welcomes every guest.

We thank you for your good news told,  
in scripture studied, preached and heard,  
for songs and stories, new and old,  
that teach your true and living Word.

We thank you, God, for all that heals,  
for simple gifts of time and care,  
and for the grace of Christ, who fills  
our common life with love to spare.

O God, unite us here today;  
though we are many, make us one  
in this communion; help us pray:  
may your Reign come, your will be done.

*Words: E. Smith  
Tune: Melcombe, melody by Samuel Webbe (1740-1816). TIS 213(ii)*

# WELCOME

Grace to you and peace from God our Creator,  
the love at our beginning and without end,  
in our midst and with us.

**God is with us, here we find new life.**

*Liturgist:*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
**where God has made a holy dwelling.**

God is in the midst of the city, it shall not be moved;  
**God will help us at the break of day.**<sup>1</sup>

# BENEDICITE AOTEAROA

O give thanks to God who is good, whose love endures for ever.  
Sunrise and sunset, night and day



**Give to God your thanks and praise.**

You prophets, priests, cleaners and clerks,  
professors, programmers, teachers and learners,  
seekers, discoverers, drivers and doctors



**Give to God your thanks and praise.**

You sweepers, diplomats, writers and artists,  
grocers, carpenters, students and shop workers,  
homemakers, mystics, aid workers and lawyers



**Give to God your thanks and praise.**

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<sup>1</sup> Psalm 46:4-5

You Māori, Pākehā, women and men, all who inhabit the long white cloud, all saints and martyrs of the South Pacific



**Give to God your thanks and praise.**

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*Please be seated.*

## FORGIVENESS

*Liturgist:*

We come seeking forgiveness and wholeness for ourselves and for our world.

*1st time CANTOR, 2nd time ALL*



E te A - ri - ki kia\_ a - ro - ha mai.



E - te - Ka - rai - ti kia\_ a - ro - ha mai.



E te A - ri - ki kia\_ a - ro - ha mai.

*[Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy]*

*Ian Render. Tune: Newlands Road. FFS 13*

*Silence*

Holy God,  
we acknowledge we have resisted the light of your love,  
we have not fully shared the gifts entrusted to us,  
we have not treasured the gifts of our neighbours.  
We are in need of your love.

*Priest:*

God our healer whose mercy is like a refining fire:  
touch us with your justice and confront us with your tenderness;  
that, being forgiven and comforted by you,  
we may reach out to a troubled world.

**Amen.** <sup>3</sup>

## THE SENTENCE AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Happy are those who delight in the law of God;  
they are like trees planted by the streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

*Psalm 1:1-3*

God of the hungry,  
may we hunger and thirst for the right,  
till our thirst for justice has been satisfied  
and hunger has gone from the earth. Amen. <sup>4</sup>

## THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

*Jeremiah 17:5-10*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
Thanks be to God.

## THE GRADUAL HYMN

O changeless Christ, for ever new,  
who walked our earthly ways,  
still draw our hearts as once you drew  
the hearts of other days.

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<sup>3</sup> *Daily Prayers for All Seasons p. 15-16*

<sup>4</sup> *NZPB 2020 p632*

As once you spoke by plain and hill  
or taught by shore and sea,  
so be today our teacher still,  
O Christ of Galilee.

As wind and storm their Master heard  
and his command fulfilled,  
may troubled hearts receive your word,  
the tempest-tossed be stilled.

And as of old to all who prayed  
your healing hand was shown,  
so be your touch upon us laid,  
unseen but not unknown.

O changeless Christ, till life is past  
your blessing still be given;  
then bring us home, to taste at last  
the timeless joys of heaven.

*Words: Timothy Dudley Smith*

*Tune: St Botolph, Gordon Archbold Slater 1896-1979. TIS 223*

## THE GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of Christ according to Luke,  
chapter six, beginning at verse seventeen.



Be a lamp to my feet.

*Luke 6:17-26*

This is the Gospel of Christ.



Be a light for my path.

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# THE SERMON

# SILENCE

# ANTHEM

*The Beatitudes*

*Arvo Pärt*

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Liturgist:*

Let us gather our hearts and minds in prayer;  
prayer for our world and for God's people.

# THE PEACE

*Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.*

Kia tau te rangimārie o te Atua ki a koutou.

**A ki a koe ano hoki.**

*[The peace of God be always with you. And also with you.]*

*Please turn and greet those around you with peace.*

# THE OFFERTORY HYMN <sup>6</sup>

Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?

**Will you go where you don't know,**  
and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you, and you in me?

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<sup>6</sup> *During this hymn there is a collection to support St Matthew's; for electronic giving option: text **stmatthew** to **818** to make a fast one off or ongoing donation by credit card to St Matthew-in-the-City. Or you can download the PUSHPAY app from Apple Store or Google Playstore and search for St Matthew-in-the-City.*

Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind,  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare,  
will you let me answer prayer  
in you, and you in me?

**Will you love the 'you' you hide**

if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside,  
and never be the same?

**Will you use the faith you've found**

to reshape the world around  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?

Christ, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you,  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you, and you in me.

*Words: John L. Bell and Graham Maule*

*Tune: Kelvingrove, Traditional Scottish melody, arr. Christopher Tambling. CAHO&N 752*

# THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

*Cantor* **ALL**

*Blessed are you God of all creation* **through your good - ness**

**we have these gifts to\_ share. Bless'd be God for-ev - er.**

Detailed description: This block contains two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a whole note for the Cantor and a half note for the All. The lyrics are 'Blessed are you God of all creation through your good - ness'. The second staff continues with a half note for the Cantor and a half note for the All. The lyrics are 'we have these gifts to\_ share. Bless'd be God for-ev - er.' The music consists of simple, rhythmic lines with some ties and slurs.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Cantor* **ALL**

*May God be with you.* **May the spir - it grant us wis - dom.**

*Cantor* **ALL**

*Let us lift up our hearts.* **We lift up our hearts in hope and praise.**

*Cantor* **ALL**

*Let us give thanks to God.* **We of-fer our lives in joy and prom - ise.**

Detailed description: This block contains three staves of musical notation in G major. Each staff starts with a whole note for the Cantor and a half note for the All. The lyrics are: 'May God be with you. May the spir - it grant us wis - dom.', 'Let us lift up our hearts. We lift up our hearts in hope and praise.', and 'Let us give thanks to God. We of-fer our lives in joy and prom - ise.' The music is simple and rhythmic, with some ties and slurs.

In a city of a thousand strands,  
laden with the sights and sounds of God's colourful people,  
we meet the Creator and discover the mark of God  
in both stranger and friend.

O God of many names, we give you thanks that you are both  
mother and father to us all,  
uniting the people of the city as sisters and brothers.

In a city of forgotten people and lost stories  
help us to listen for your good news  
amongst those left out or left behind in the busy rush.

We give thanks for Jeremiah who prayed for the city,  
for it is here that we make our home and learn of you.

We give thanks for prophets like Deborah  
who challenged the people and their leaders in the town square.

Fill our hearts with an image of your son Jesus  
who embraces us as a brother  
and throws his arms wide to welcome us all.

In the noise and in the silence, in the traffic and at home  
we give thanks for his liberating presence as we sing:



**Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of prom - ise and ful -**



**fil - ment, Heav - en and Earth a - bound with your grace.**



**Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, all cre - a - tion sings.**



**Bless'd is the One who comes in the name of God.**



**Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, all cre - a - tion sings.**

The city was crowded with people from across the world,  
the faithful gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate Passover:  
the festival of freedom.

Jesus and his friends rented a room above a busy street,  
and there they shared a last meal together.

In the quiet of the night Jesus took a piece of bread,  
gave thanks, broke it and said:

'This is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.'

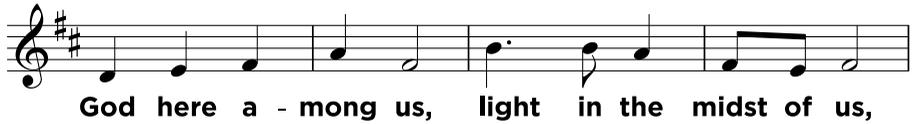
He meets the needs of a hungry city.

When everyone had finished eating

Jesus took a cup of Passover wine, gave thanks and said:

'This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this to remember me.'

He quenches our thirst as we search for a holy city. <sup>7</sup>



Send your Holy Spirit that we who receive this bread  
may indeed be the body of Christ,  
and we who share this cup draw strength from the one true vine.  
For you dwell in the heavenly city and make all things new;  
you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first.



*Please be seated.*

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kua akona nei tātou e to tātou Ariki, ka inoi tātou:

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi,  
kia tapu tōu Ingoa.

Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.

Kia meatia tāu e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua,  
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.

Hōmai ki a mātou āianei he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.

Murua ō mātou hara,

me mātou hoki e muru nei,

i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.

Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;

engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:

Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria,

Āke, ake, ake. Āmine.

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,  
for we all share the one bread.

*We sing three times:*



U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,



u - bi ca - ri - tas De-us i - bi est.

*Taizé, Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)*

# THE INVITATION

Haere mai e te kahui a te Atua,  
tangohia enei kai rangatira a te Karaiti.

Whatever your faith and background  
all are welcome to share in this act of communion.

*The bread will be brought to you - please stay seated in the pews.  
If you do not wish to receive the bread the priest will offer a blessing.*

*Te Taro, o te Ora. The Bread of Life.*

# MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Blessed are they (from "O give thanks unto the Lord")*

*Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)*

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We bless you, generous God  
abiding in every part of the city,  
in each other, and in the stranger, who waits with us  
for a place at the table of life.  
May we also learn the way to make room for all. Amen. <sup>8</sup>

# THE BLESSING

# NOTICES

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<sup>8</sup> Jenny Blood

# FINAL HYMN

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
The service is ended, O now be extended  
the fruits of our worship in all who believe.  
The seed of the teaching, receptive hearts reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us  
to work for God's realm and to answer the call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,  
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing God's children of each tribe and race.  
With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us,  
unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living, with praise and thanksgiving  
give honour to Christ and that name which we bear.

*Words: Omer Westendorf (1916-1997) alt.  
Tune: The Ash Grove, Welsh traditional melody. TIS 531*

*Deacon from the rear of the Church.*

May the streets of our city be holy ground under your feet.  
Go into the city, walking in faith and hope.  
Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

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*Trivium (II)*

*Arvo Pärt*

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