

**Faith Community Gathering  
10<sup>th</sup> February 2019**



**Haere Mai, Aere mai, hwan-yeong, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Afio mai, Ulu tonu mai, Malo e leilei, Talofa Lava, Welcome**

**PROVERB**

“Ehara taku toa, he takitahi, he toa takitini”  
My success should not be bestowed onto me alone!



It was not individual success but success of a collective that makes one successful.

**Today Jesus meets up with the fishermen ....**

**Gathering Music -**

*The gong is sounded three times*

**Processional Singing:** Holy Holy Holy Lord God Almighty

**Prayer:**

We gather here to celebrate life's beauty  
and find healing for its pain;  
to honour our kinship with each other and with the earth;  
to create a more compassionate world,  
beginning with ourselves.

Let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life.

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Let us claim some silence  
in the midst of the busyness of our lives.

*(Silence)*

May we look with gratitude upon this day,  
for the beauty of the world,  
for the first radiance of dawn  
and the last smouldering glow of sunset.  
And for the countless other blessings present in our lives,  
let us be grateful.

**Reflective song:** Be still my heart

**Singing:** For the music of creation

**Notices and celebrations:**

**Readings:** Psalm 138, Luke 5:1-11

Those reading the Scriptures can finish with the following phrase after the Gospel  
“**Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.**”

**Young’uns chat:**

**Singing:** I danced in the morning

**Discernment Prayer:**

We are part of all that sustains or destroys life.  
Creation and destruction occur in continually unfolding ways.  
And so may we open our ears to the continually unfolding Word.  
Life speaks to us in new and vital and imperative ways.  
With all the power we have been given,  
let us be silent and open to listening...  
for nourishment,  
for comfort,  
for challenge and new focus.

**Message:**

**Singing/offertory:** Loving Spirit Loving Spirit

**Our Prayers for others :-**

**Singing the Lord’s Prayer:-**

**Parting Words**

time has now come for us to leave this sacred place.  
As we do, may we embrace the challenges  
of our lives and our world...

Do not try to exceed your commission.  
Life is too short for grand gestures  
followed by self-pity in the hour of failure.  
Go out to serve Christ without anxiety.  
Do what you can.  
Entrust to others what you must.  
And dedicate both your successes and your failures  
to the greater glory of God.  
**We are better than conquerors  
through the Christ who loves us.**

### **Blessing**

Ko te Karaiti te pou herenga waka  
*(We shall all be one in Christ)*  
*Whakapaingia te Atua to tatou kai-hunga,*  
*(Praise to God who has created us)*  
*Whakapaingia te Atua to tatou kai-taurima,*  
*(Praise to God who has accepted us)*  
*Whakapaingia te Atua to tatou kai-unga ki te ao whanui.*  
*(Praise to God who sends us into the world)*

**Singing:** I am the light of world

**Voluntary:** You are invited to be seated as we listen, reflect and enjoy the music Inae Hong will play.

### **Notices to be noticed:**

**Musicians:** Welcome to Inae Hong our organist for today. Inae will be playing at least once a month. Also with us today looking on to see if he likes what he sees is Matthew Kirman-Williams who will also be playing once a month. I am sure you will make them both welcome.



### **Urgent**

**Mainly Music (MM) our church's important  
connection into the community for preschoolers and their families,  
MM needs more helpers**

**for the kitchen, for the sessions, and for the welcome desk.**

**Times: Tuesdays at 9.15 and 10.45, school terms only.**

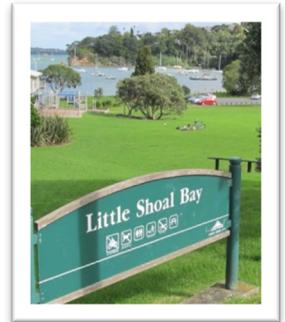
**If you have a Tuesday morning free and could help at least one session,  
once a month we would be delighted with your help.**

**Please ring Pauline Fish 09 418 131, 027 666 5035**

**or Rosemary Bold 09 483 7240**

**Retirement Village services Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb.** Contact Colin if you can be part of this wonderful ministry, especially if you can play an instrument for the three homes we visit.

**Details of Church Picnic: Sunday, 17 February, 2019 at 4 pm at Little Shoal Bay,** Having the picnic in the evening means people have time to prepare something delicious to share. Tide in at 6pm for safe, warm swimming. Robyn and Ian Bogue will put up the St Andrew's shelter near a vacant barbecue. Picnickers spread cloths and blankets around a semicircle with small tables in the middle so we can share together. Bring food, including something to share, if you can. Kayaks available if we can help Laurie Wesley get them out of his basement and onto his trailer after Church in the morning.



**Sunday, 24 February** at our morning service let us celebrate the goodness we enjoy in this land of Milk and Honey. Land of

plenty for most BUT not all, let us give thanks with a celebration of 'bounty'.

**Fresh Fruits Sunday** will be a celebration of summer 'fruit and veges' This is the time of year when all the crops have been harvested more or less. Harvest Festival is a celebration of the food grown on the land. ... We

celebrate this day by singing, praying and decorating our church with baskets of fruit, vege and food in a festival more commonly known as 'Harvest Festival'. This could mean contributing from your pantry's, supermarkets, Fruit & Vege shop, your own gardens. If you have potted and producing Tomato plants, courgettes etc etc etc and happy to donate them, then bring them along ...



**Sunday, 24 February** is St Andrew's day to help with the Chaplain's Service at North Shore Hospital at 11.30. A small group leave St Andrew's service at 10.15 am. We especially need a musician all are welcome. Contact Colin.

**The Mission of this church is to be Christ centred,  
Community embracing congregation  
Birkenhead, Birkdale, Beach Haven**