



SAINTS A & A



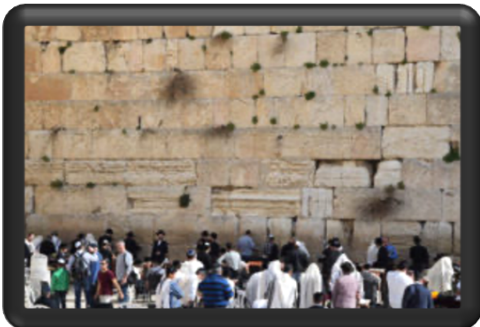
Northcote

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## **Worship@Home Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2020** **meeting by zoom as we journey in faith**

**9:00am - 9:25am** Welcome and settling in ... *you are welcome to grab a cuppa and bring it into our service by getting your own ☺ so as not to bust the bubble.*



Prayer is the most solitary of activities, arising from the quiet centre. Prayer is also the most communal of activities, connecting us to that which binds all beings together.

***How does prayer connect you with yourself?***

***How does it connect you with something larger than yourself?***

**We are joined as one 'fellowship' in worship, sharing in hospitality we the people of Saints Aidans and Saint Andrews and beyond.**

**9:30am** Gathering song: All Creatures of our God and king

**We are welcome in this place.**

Among us, Creativity God conceives new life

**And we feel the life within us.**

In our history this nurturing makes gentle entry

**And we see the light before us.**

Within our universe this energy is revealed

**We await the hope of the world.**

What actions are most excellent?

To gladden the heart of a human being.

To feed the hungry.

To help the afflicted.

To lighten the sorrow of the sorrowful.

To remove the wrongs of the injured.

That person is the most beloved of God

who does most good to God's creatures.

As friends we greet each other in our own languages .

**Haere Mai, Aere mai, hwan-yeong, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Afio mai, Ulu tonu mai, Talofa Lava, Foon Ying, Selamat Datang, Vitajte, Welkom, Welcome**

May we continue to create here a circle of love,

ever expanding,

ever growing.

A place of wisdom.

A place of connection.

A place of hope.

**Let us light our community candle – the community of God.**

**Singing:**

- This little light of mine
- The steadfast love of the Lord

**Readings:**

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

**“Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.”**



**Listening Response:**

From all corners of the world:

**God has called a pilgrim people.**

From all walks and ways of life:

**God has called a pilgrim people.**

Culturally diverse.

**We are signs of God's division.**

Culturally diverse.

**We are signs of God's new creation  
joined together by love.**

So let us not journey alone with God.

**So let us not journey only with our friends.**

Let us be a place and a people of welcome

**signs of God's all-embracing love.<sup>i</sup>**

**Message:**

And so we ponder upon the light from our candles, the Light of the world we remember, in our –

**Prayers for others**

*You are invited to pray in the spirit of the Lord's Prayer;*

**O God, you love us like a good parent,**

**and are present in every aspect of our existence**

**May your nature become known and respected by all**

**May your joy, peace, wholeness and justice**

**be the reality for everyone**

**as we live by the Jesus Way**

**Give us all that we really need to live every day for you**

**And forgive us our failures as we forgive others for their failures**

**Keep us from doing those things which are not of you,**

**and cause us always to be centred on your love**

**For you are the true reality in this our now,**

**and in all our future.**

**In the Jesus Way we pray. Amen.<sup>ii</sup>**

## Words of Blessing

The God we worship is never confined to this holy place.  
So go and travel with the God  
who is found in ordinary and surprising places.

*The Community Candle is extinguished*

Walk with us as we move out from our security.  
Motivate us to take risks like Jesus.  
Reassure and recommit us to a life of service  
**With no strings attached, where we  
will live for justice and peace.**

**Amene. May it be so.**

**Singing our way home: The Blessing of Aotearoa**

## NOTICES –

**Birthdays and anniversaries**  
**Significant events**  
**Greetings to one another**

**Following you are welcome to sign off or stay and chat with others.**

## Saints A & A Worship Service

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81451789516?pwd=UWkwVVV4RUhrbnFabmdDOTNKS0Fvdz09>

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