



SAINTS A & A A New Church Emerging



Northcote

Aotearoa New Zealand

Birkenhead

Palm Sunday
28th March 2021



Hand Water Basins are at the entrance to our Gathering space. You are invited to feel the cool water washed over your hands as you arrive. Through this symbolic act each traveller rinses off, “the dust from the road”, welcoming you to relax, be

refreshed, and prepare for this time together.

Gathering singing: Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest
Trotting, Trotting, Through Jerusalem

Lighting of the Community Candle
The Community Candle is lit



Welcoming Space

The dust of many roads and many life experiences
has been washed in this refreshing water.

For this place is a sacred place.

May we greet one another with open hearts and minds;

inspire each other to consider new questions

and seek deeper meaning;

and cultivate both wisdom and compassion.

And may this time together empower us to take some new steps

so all our living is transforming and the

yearning of our hearts become reality.

Introduction:**Reading:** Mark 11:1-11 (NRSV)**“Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.”**

As we settle into the silence.

Hear and feel your quiet breathing.
 Hear and feel the quiet of this place
 and this community of people.

Silence

In this quiet hour may our spirits be renewed.
 May our minds be open to new truth,
 and our hearts be receptive to love,
 as we give thanks for this life we are blessed to shareⁱ.

Silence

Lighting of candles –

Gong sounded once

Jesus dared to live God’s way
 in the midst of all the 'ups' and 'downs' of life.
 We too are called to proclaim our faith faithfully
 by the way we live, and treat one another.

Silence

Lighting of candles –

Gong sounded a second time

Jesus wanted his disciples to live passionate,
 justice seeking, God centred lives.

Silence

Lighting of candles –

Gong sounded a third time

Jesus, as human face of God, shared his life
 that others might sense the new signs of hope
 in their everyday lives.

Silence

Lighting of candles –

Singing: My Song is Love Unknown

Reading: "Tough Faith"ⁱⁱ

Reflection:

Prayers for others:

Prayer with the Young'uns

Young'uns

We give up the idea that hatred is ever ok, that people can be treated differently because they are a different colour or speak a different language or live on the other side of a border. We will not allow unequal treatment of gay and lesbian people, transgendered people, women, or anyone else. We dream of a world where all people, in all places, of all faiths can work together. We give up the idea that hatred, bigotry, and bullying should ever be associated with God.

How will you help us?

Congregation

We will fight against injustice for you and with you. We will elect leaders who will help you reach your dreams. We will not harbour hate in our own lives and we will speak out any time we hear intolerance, knowing that to remain silent is not an act of love. We will work with you to rid the world of all those very things that Jesus was willing to die for. For the kingdom of God is at hand.

Singing/offering: Love to the world

Prayer

As a river without an outlet becomes stagnant,
so life which receives but does not give
becomes polluted and sour.

**As we give,
we know we will be refreshed and cleansed
as well as being a blessing to others.**

Let us claim some silence...

May we give thanks for all the silences in our lives:
 the silence of sunrise,
 the silence of mist on the lake,
 the silence at the end of a story,
 the silence between notes of music,
 the silence between us here...
A period of silence is kept

NOTICES –

Birthdays and anniversaries

Significant events

Greetings to one another

Parting Words

Let us take on this week's life with renewed hope and imagination...

May our journey's in life

Shine with a star's delight.

May our days and our years

Weave together a wondrous tapestry.

May our unfolding stories

Dance with the grace of every blessing.

May beauty delight you.

May tenderness envelop you.

May love nurture you.

And may silence give you peaceⁱⁱⁱ.

Amen. May it be so.

Singing: We have a King who rides a Donkey

Easter Services:

Good Friday 9:30am @ St Aidans Northcote

Easter Sunday 9:30am @ Zion Hill

(DON'T FORGET DAYLIGHT SAVING EASTER SUNDAY)



Neighbours day Aotearoa

THE GREAT PLANT SWAP

PSN and the churches working together

SEEDS FOR GROWING YOUR COMMUNITY



Presbyterian Support
Northern

A children's community

EASTER CARNIVAL

Friday 26th March 3.30—5.30 p.m.

Takapuna Methodist Church
427 Lake Road, Takapuna, Auckland 0622

Please join us for an afternoon of making simple Easter crafts, Easter themed activities, bouncy castle and served afternoon tea.

A FREE community event. *All very welcome.*



Takapuna Methodist Church

Mothers Day Concert

Saturday 8th May

St Aidans
97 Onewa Road, Northcote

Tickets \$25

Price includes a wonderful afternoon tea of Scones with Jam & Cream

Contact Dale on 418 3793



Good Friday - 2 April 2021

9am Meet at Zion Hill Church car park
(Cnr Onewa Rd and Birkenhead Ave)

to walk down to St Aidan's Church at 97 Onewa Road

9:30am Good Friday Meditation Service at St Aidan's Church
with Zion Hill, St Aidan's, St Andrew's, St Luke's, Samoa Ekalesia

Easter Sunday - 4 April 2021

9:30am* Easter Celebration Service

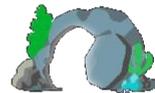
at Zion Hill Methodist Church (Cnr Onewa Rd and Birkenhead Ave)

with St Andrew's and St Aidan's and Samoa Ekalesia

(including Holy Communion)



*Put your clocks back 1 hour for the end of daylight saving
- an extra hour of sleep ☺



10:30 am – 12:30 pm approx "Easter Festival"

Join us outside after the service for morning tea.

This is a community event celebrating Life with Music and Free Food,

Easter Egg Hunt and Crafts with the children,

while enjoying each other's company in the spirit of Easter.

Come gather outside on the grass and enjoy.

ⁱ E-LBelcher

ⁱⁱ Bruce Prewer. More Australian Psalms/86.

ⁱⁱⁱ (Adapt.Keri Wehlander/wob)