



The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

encompassing St Matthew's, Hastings, St Peter's, Riverslea, & St Martin's, Mayfair

Christian communities in the heart of Hastings

Order of Service for the Third Sunday in Lent 23rd March 2025

*Eucharistic Liturgy - Thanksgiving for Creation and Redemption
commencing on page 456 ANZPB/HKMOA*

We stand

Opening Hymn: **Praise the Spirit in Creation**

Words: Michael Hewlett (b. 1916)

TiS#415 (vss 1-3,6) - Alt. Tune: LAUDA ANIMA

- 1 Praise the Spirit in creation,
breath of God, life's origin:
Spirit moving on the waters,
quickenings worlds to life within,
source of breath to all things breathing,
life in whom all lives begin.**
- 2 Praise the Spirit, close companion
of our inmost thoughts and ways;
who, in showing us God's wonders,
is himself the power to gaze;
and God's will, to those who listen,
by a still small voice conveys.**
- 3 Praise the Spirit, who enlightened
priest and prophets with the word;
his the truth behind the wisdoms
which as yet know not our Lord;
by whose love and power, in Jesus
God himself was seen and heard.**

- 6 **Praise, O praise the holy Spirit,
praise the Father, praise the Word,
Source, and Truth, and Inspiration,
Trinity in deep accord;
through your voice which speaks within us
we, your creatures call you Lord.**

The Presider may greet the people informally before continuing

Presider: I runga i te Ingoa o te Atua,
te Matua, te Tama me te Wairua Tapu.
Āmine.
(In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen)

Page 456-460: Grace to you and peace ...

Sentence: As the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts, says the Lord. *Isaiah 55:9*

Collect: God of grace and goodness,
**you know that by reason of our frailty
we cannot but fail;
keep us always under your protection
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Reading: **Isaiah 55: 1-9**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63: 1-9 (ANZPB)

- 1 O God you are my God:
and earnestly will I seek you.

- ² My soul thirsts for you, my body yearns for you:
like a land that is dry and thirsty for water.
- ³ With this longing I have come before you in the sanctuary:
that I may see your power and your glory.
- ⁴ Your steadfast love is better than life itself:
therefore my lips will speak your praise.
- ⁵ As long as I live I will bless you:
and lift up my hands to pray in your name.
- ⁶ I shall be satisfied as with a rich and sumptuous feast:
and my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips.
- ⁷ When I remember you upon my bed:
and think of you in the watches of the night,
- ⁸ how you have been my helper:
how I am safe in the shadow of your wings,
- ⁹ then my soul clings to you:
and your right hand upholds me.

Reading:

1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn:

Come and find the quiet centre

FFS10(i) - Words: Shirley Erena Murray

Tune: LEWIS [GAELIC] FOLK MELODY - arr. © John Bell

- ¹ **Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.**

² Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
knows our being, touches base,
making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.

³ In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain;
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!

Gospel Reading: **Luke 13: 1-9**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 13,
beginning at the first verse

Praise and glory to God.

After the reading: This is the Gospel of Christ.
Praise to Christ, the Word.

The Sermon The Rev'd Dr Deborah Broome, Waiapu Ministry Educator

The Affirmation of Faith

Page 461: *The Apostles' Creed*

The Prayers of the People

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The Ministry of the Sacrament

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The peace of God ...

We may share a sign of Christ's peace with those around us by shaking hands (or appropriate alternative) and/or by saying "Peace be with you".

As we sing the next Hymn, the bread and wine are brought to the altar; our offerings for the Foodbank and money to support ministry and mission are collected and presented also.

Offertory Hymn: Come to the Banquet, there's a place for you

Words & Music: © Fay White [Seasons of the Spirit Songbook]

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Though you maybe have no money,
though you maybe feel unworthy
In your strength or in your weakness
you are welcome, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
See, you are an honoured guest,
from constant serving you may rest
So sit you down, be fed & blessed for
you are welcome, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Woman, wise one, mother, maiden,
see your plate with food is laden
And your place is set and waiting,
you are welcome, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Worker, father, little boy,
old man or youth without employ
Come rest your worry, here is joy and
you are welcome, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Whether you've been lost or faithful,
whether you've been wise or wasteful
Here's a place of rest and grace and
you are welcome, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Here is one who runs to meet you
loving arms stretched out to greet you
Do not let your fear defeat you,
you are welcome, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Willing hands have made this bread
with salt and yeast and labour shared
Let all the hungry ones be fed;
it's time for feasting, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you
Abundant wine, enough for all;
our generous loving host has called
The cup of blessing now is poured
for sweet communion, come.

Come to the banquet there's a place for you.

The Preparation of the Gifts

Page 467 God of all creation ...

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord's Prayer

Page 470 Our Father in heaven ...

The Invitation

Page 472 Bread and wine ...

Communion will be served at standing stations at the Sanctuary steps - all are welcome to receive the bread and wine at communion, (however please note that intinction, ie dipping the wafer into the wine chalice, is **NOT** permitted); although you are welcome to receive the bread only if you prefer, or to come forward for a blessing only.

If you need communion served to you in your seat, please indicate to the servers.

Prayer after Communion

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Most loving God ...

The Blessing

We share any notices and news

Closing Hymn: Forth in your name, O Lord, I go

SG623 - Words: Charles Wesley, and in this version © Jubilate Hymns

Tune: **ANGELS' SONG / SONG 34**

- 1 Forth in your name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labour to pursue,
you, Lord, alone I long to know
in all I think or speak or do.**
- 2 The task your wisdom has assigned,
here let me cheerfully fulfill;
in all my work your presence find,
and prove your good and perfect will.**
- 3 You I would set at my right hand
whose eyes my inmost secrets view;
and labour on at your command
and offer all my work to you.**
- 4 Help me to bear your easy yoke
and every moment watch and pray
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to that glorious day.**
- 5 Gladly for you may I employ
all that your generous grace has given:
and run my earthly course with joy,
and closely walk with you to heaven.**

The Dismissal

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.
Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

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