



# The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

## Order of Service for the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025

*Eucharistic Liturgy - Thanksgiving and Praise  
commencing on page **476** ANZPB/HKMOA*

*We stand*

Opening Hymn: **Sing Praise to God You Heavens!**

*Glory to God: the Presbyterian Hymnal (2013) #17*

*Words: Herman G Stuempfle Jr 1996 © 2006 GIA Publications - From Psalm 148*

*Alt. Tune: **WEBB** [Stand up, stand up for Jesus]*

**1 Sing praise to God, you heavens!  
Sing praise, each shining light!  
Sing, planets in your orbits;  
sing, stars all burning bright!  
Sing praise, you winds and tempests,  
you driving rain and snow!  
Sing, clouds that race and billow  
and shadow earth below!**

**2 Sing praise, O earth, sing praises!  
Sing praises, hill and plain,  
You mountains thrusting skyward,  
you valleys ripe with grain!  
Sing praise, each fragrant flower;  
your fairest hues display.  
Sing praise, you trees of autumn  
in glowing, glad array!**

**3 Sing praises, all you creatures  
in whom God takes delight:  
you whales that roam the oceans,  
you eagles in your flight!  
Sing praise, you sheep on hill-sides,  
you cattle in the stall!  
Though wordless, sing your praises  
to God who made you all!**

**4 Sing praises now, God's people;  
your gift of speech employ  
to praise the Lord, your Maker,  
with thankfulness and joy!  
Sing with the whole creation;  
a cosmic chorus raise:  
"To God alone be glory  
and everlasting praise!"**

*The Presider may greet the people informally before continuing*

## **The Gathering**

*Page 476:* E te whānau a te Karaiti ...

*Page 477:* Praise and glory ...

## **Song of Praise**

*Page 477:* Christ is the living water ...

*We sit or kneel*

## **Forgiveness**

*Page 478-479:* We come seeking forgiveness ...

*Sentence:* Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. *James 5: 16*

*Collect:* Almighty God,  
you alone are our true judge:  
**for you know what we are,**  
**you know what we should be,**  
**and with you there is mercy.**  
**Give us feeling for what is right;**  
**set us on fire to see that right is done.**  
**Hear this prayer for your love's sake.**  
**Amen.**

*Reading:* **Amos 6: 1, 4-7**

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

## **Psalm 146 (ANZPB)**

- 1 Whakamoemititia a Ihowā. / Praise the Lord.  
Praise the Lord O my soul:  
**as long as I live I will praise the Lord.**
- 2 Yes, as long as I have life:  
**I will sing praises to my God.**
- 3 Put no trust in princes, nor in any human power:  
**for in them there is no help.**
- 4 When they breathe their last, they return to dust:  
**then all their plans come to nothing.**
- 5 Happy are those whose helper is the God of Jacob:  
**whose hope is in the Lord their God,**
- 6 who made heaven and earth,  
the sea and all that is in them:  
**who keeps a promise for ever,**
- 7 who defends the cause of the oppressed:  
**and gives food to the hungry.**
- 8 The Lord sets free the prisoner,  
and gives sight to the blind:  
**the Lord raises up those bowed down,  
and loves those who are just.**
- 9 The Lord cares for the stranger in the land,  
and sustains the widows and orphans:  
**but turns the way of the wicked to ruin.**
- 10 The Lord shall reign for ever:  
**your God O Jerusalem shall reign for all generations.  
Whakamoemititia a Ihowā. / O praise - the Lord.**

*Reading:*

**1 Timothy 6: 6-19**

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

Gradual Hymn: **God of mercy, God of grace**

SG5 – Words: Henry Francis Lyte - Alt.Tune: **Dix**

- 1 **God of mercy, God of grace,  
show the brightness of Your face.  
Shine upon us, Savior, shine;  
fill Your world with light divine;  
all Your saving health extend  
unto the earth's remotest end.**
- 2 **Let the people praise You, LORD;  
by all living things adored.  
Let the nations shout and sing  
glory to their gracious King;  
at Your feet their tribute pay,  
and Your holy will obey.**
- 3 **Let the people praise you, LORD;  
earth shall then its fruits afford.  
To Your children blessings give;  
we to You devoted live,  
all below and all above,  
one in joy and light and love.**

*Gospel Reading:* **Luke 16: 19-31**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke,  
chapter sixteen, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

**Praise and glory to God.**

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

**The Sermon**

*Following the Sermon, there may be a brief period of silence and/or a musical reflection;  
then we stand.*

## **The Affirmation of Faith**

Page 481:            **You, O God, are supreme and holy ...**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*(adapted from 'Let Us Pray' - Janet Nelson)*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world,  
giving thanks for God's goodness.

God of mercy:  
**Hear our prayer.**

In a moment of silence, we pray for our own needs ...

*Silence*

God our hope,  
**may your blessing empower  
our thanksgivings and our prayer;  
for we put our trust in you the living God,  
risking disappointment, risking failure,  
working and waiting expectantly.  
Amen.**

## **The Ministry of the Sacrament**

We stand

*The Peace*

Page 485            Blessed be Christ ...

*We may share a sign of Christ's peace with those around us by shaking hands  
(or an 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: **Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour**

SG52 – Words: George Bourne - tune: **ST HELEN** [CP311]

- 1 Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
glorious first-born from the dead,  
you alone our strong defender  
lifting up your people's head;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Jesus, true and living bread!**
- 2 Prince of life, for us now living,  
by your body souls are healed;  
Prince of peace, your pardon giving,  
by your blood our peace is sealed:  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Word of God in flesh revealed.**
- 3 Paschal Lamb! Your offering finished,  
once for all, when you were slain;  
in its fullness undiminished  
shall for evermore remain:  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
cleansing souls from every stain.**
- 4 Great High Priest of our profession,  
through the veil you entered in,  
by your mighty intercession  
grace and mercy there to win;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
only sacrifice for sin.**
- 5 Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
stricken rock, with streaming side;  
heaven and earth, with loud hosanna,  
worship you, the Lamb who died:  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
risen, ascended, glorified!**

*We remain standing for The Great Thanksgiving Prayer, but sit if needed.*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

Page 485: Christ is risen! ...

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Page 488: Our Father in heaven ...

## **The Invitation**

Page 489: Haere mai ... / Come God's people ...

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**

Page 490: Blessed be God ...

**The Blessing** The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus ...  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you for ever.  
**Amen.**

We share any notices, news, or celebrations

Closing Hymn: **When in our music God is glorified**

Words: Fred Pratt Green © 1972 Hope Publishing - Tune: **SINE NOMINE** [CP232]

- 1 **When in our music God is glorified,  
and adoration leaves no room for pride,  
it is as though the whole creation cried:  
Alleluia!**
- 2 **How oft, in making music, we have found  
a new dimension in the world of sound  
as worship moved us to a more profound  
Alleluia!**

- 3 So has the Church, in liturgy and song,  
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,  
borne witness to the truth in ev'ry tongue,  
**Alleluia!**
- 4 And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night  
when utmost evil strove against the light?  
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:  
**Alleluia!**
- 5 Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise,  
let all rejoice who have a voice to raise,  
and may God give us faith to sing always:  
**Alleluia!**

**The Dismissal** Haere i runga i te aroha. Haere i runga i te rangimārie.  
Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.  
**Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**

*Following the service, all are welcome to share morning tea which will be served  
in the 'Hospitality Corner' on the southern side of the church.*

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