

ANGLE

Week beginning

Sunday 21st June 2026

Working in partnership with Jesus – Serving Christ and the community

Anglican Parish of Mt Maunganui
St Peter's 15 Victoria Rd - St Mary's Cnr of Girven Rd & Marlin St



St Peter's 9.30am

Please join us for morning tea after the service

If you need to sit at any time during the service (including the Gospel reading) please do so.

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Dear friends

Just a few chapters ago Jesus was saying blessed are the peacemakers and now he says he is coming bringing a sword. How do we explain this? Christology is that branch of theology which studies the person and work of Christ - who he is, his nature, his purpose and what he does. In my recent study it has become increasingly important that our Christology needs to be consistent. I remember the old song we used to sing in Sunday School it went to the tune Edelweiss

Unto you who believe,
Jesus Christ is precious.
He's the same yesterday,
This day and forever.
He's the Way, the Truth,
The Life, He's the King of Glory.
Praise the Lord , O my soul,
This day and forever.

That line "He's the same yesterday, this day and forever" comes from Hebrews 13:8.

The Jesus revealed in most of scripture is a non-violent Jesus, so if we see something which shows a violent Jesus it behooves us to question it.

In Matthew's gospel Jesus began his ministry in Galilee where he began to proclaim the Kingdom of God and call his disciples. Then he goes up a mountain and preaches the first sermon we see in this gospel. The way Matthew has written this shows it is a key to the entire gospel. Matthew is showing Jesus as a new Moses, Moses went up the mountain and came down with the law for Israel, Jesus went up a mountain and preached the law of the Kingdom of God. The teaching is arranged in a way that parallels the five books of Moses (the Pentateuch - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy). All these things serve to underline for us the importance of the Sermon on the Mount for the story and teaching of Jesus. Jesus said "Blessed

are the peacemakers.” At the end of the gospel Jesus tells Peter to put away his sword. In his Passion, Jesus overcame violence by submitting to it. Jesus is nonviolent.

So clearly Jesus is not advocating taking up a literal sword, or getting involved with punch-ups within your family. Tragically, too, the ideas in these verses have been misused by cults to justify separating people from their family.

It is interesting to consider how else the idea of a sword is used in the New Testament. One of the more common references is the sword of the spirit, the Word of God. In the beginning of John’s gospel Jesus is referred to as the Word of God. And in Revelation there are several odd visions of Jesus and he is armed with a sword which proceeds from his mouth. This is clearly a symbolic representation. Jesus’ “weapon” is his word - the sword of truth. Jesus is not suggesting we get violent, but he is acknowledging that when we speak the truth there will be opposition. When we speak the truth we are called to speak the truth in love. Sadly, when we speak the truth sometimes others will withdraw from us and this can even happen within families. It is not our job to bring violence or division, we are called to be faithful followers of Jesus, and to prioritise our relationship with Christ above all others. Sometimes there will be costs, we will be misunderstood. We follow the Prince of Peace, the God who is love - let us never forget that.

Arohanui

Sue+

St Peter’s Choir:

Anthem - “The Call” from Five Mystical Songs - R. Vaughan Williams
(solo - Gillian)

Motet - Lead Me, Lord - S. S. Wesley (Twelve Easy Anthems Book)

Service Setting - Missa Sancta Petrus - C. Poppy

Processional Hymn

Impartial, Compassionate God of All Lives

1. Impartial, compassionate, God of all lives,
In Christ you have shown us your love actualised,
Incarnate and weak in the arms of the poor,
destroying all systems that keep closed the door.
2. Unholy, unjustified fear we incite,
When we shun our neighbours yet cling to our rights.
Your children still wander the streets left in pain,
We pass laws against them to show our disdain.
3. Creator of beauty, we stand not in pride,
We do not assume that you will stay on our side.
For yours is the sacred untarnished by sin,
A refuge for outcasts that all may come in.
4. Our hope is your freedom for both great and small,
to strive for perfection and know all means all.
We challenge each question each law without grace,
Affirming the image of Christ on each face.
5. All honour we give you, O help us to see,
Your children are worthy to claim victory.
And so let our actions flow out of our praise,
To seek transformation, your kingdom to raise

Welcome and Greeting *(President)*

In the name of God,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Grace and peace to you from God.
God fill you with truth and joy.

This is the day which the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Welcoming remarks

Opening Prayer *(Liturgist)*

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may truly love you
and worthily praise your holy name;
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Confession *(Liturgist)*

Hear the teaching of Christ:
 a new commandment I give to you,
 that you love one another, as I have loved you.
Spirit of God, search our hearts.

God has promised forgiveness
to all who truly repent,
turn to Christ in faith
and are themselves forgiving.
In silence we call to mind our sins.

Kyries (Sung)
**Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison**

[Translation]
**[Lord have mercy]
[Christ have mercy]
[Lord have mercy]**

Silence

Let us confess our sins.

**Merciful God,
we have sinned
in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done
and in the good we have not done.
We have sinned in ignorance:
we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry.
We repent and turn to you.
Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,
and renew our lives to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Absolution *(President)*

The Lord enrich you with grace,
and nourish you with blessing;
the Lord defend you in trouble
and keep you from all evil;
the Lord accept your prayers,
and absolve you from your offences,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.
Amen.

Sentence *(Liturgist)*

Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life
for Jesus' sake will find it.

Matthew 10:39

Collect (*Liturgist*)

**Caring God,
even a sparrow is protected by you.
Imprint upon our hearts,
that because we belong to you,
no one can pluck us from your hand;
and because we fear you, we need fear no other.
Through Jesus Christ our Liberator,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' ¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Jeremiah 20.7-13

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

Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18

(Liturgist)

It is for you I have suffered reproach:
and shame has covered my face.

**I have become a stranger to my family:
an alien to my mother's children.**

Zeal for your house has consumed me:
and insults aimed at you have fallen on me.

**When I afflicted myself with fasting:
that was turned as a reproach against me.**

Do not let the flood engulf me,
or the deep swallow me up:
or the Abyss of death close its mouth upon me.

**Answer me Lord, for your love is good:
turn to me in your great compassion.**

Do not hide your face from your servant:
be swift to answer me, for I am in distress.

**Glory to God, Source of all being,
Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

¹Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin.

⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that

Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6.1b-11

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Gradual hymn

When God Almighty Came to Earth - **733**

When God Almighty came to earth
He took the pain of Jesus' birth,
He took the flight of refugee,
And whispered, "Humbly follow me."

When God Almighty went to work,
Carpenter's sweat he didn't shirk,
Profit and loss he didn't flee,
And whispered, "Humbly follow me."

When God Almighty walked the street,
The critic's curse he had to meet,
The cynic's smile he had to see,
And whispered, "Humbly follow me."

When God Almighty met his folk,
Of peace and truth he boldly spoke
To set the slave and tyrant free,
And whispered, "Humbly follow me."

When God Almighty took his place
To save the sometimes human race,
He took it boldly on a tree,
And whispered, "Humbly follow me."

When God Almighty comes again,
He'll meet us incognito as then;
And though no words may voice his plea,
He'll whisper, "Are you following me?"

Gospel *(President)*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Praise and glory to God.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: ²⁴'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known.

²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

Matthew 10.24-39

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise to Christ the Word

Sermon

Anthem

Prayers of the People

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

A PRAYER FOR WAIAPU

**God of past and present,
yours is the Spirit that fires the life of your Church
and yours is the work we are given to do;
bless our diocese with a courage
to pray for that which seems inconceivable,
a tenacity of hope
that sees your kingdom even in the ashes,
and a grace
that knows we are all brothers and sisters
in your love. Amen.**

Today we pray for The Church of South India (United) and we also pray for the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) and Anglican Overseas Aid (AOA). We also pray for Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We pray compassion would prevail at government level as they consider the move-on bill before parliament. We pray also for a compassionate response by local government to businesses in our own community who are struggling now.

Here in Waiapu we pray for St John's Theological College Students.

We pray for our church - for wisdom, guidance, and love as we discern the ministries towards which God is calling us.

We pray for those in need, especially those who have asked for our prayers Karen, Anna, Toby and family, Bilas and Byrne families.

As Christ teaches us we pray, singing

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

O For a Heart to Praise My God – **484**

1 O for a heart to praise my God,
a heart from sin set free;
a heart that's sprinkled with the blood
so freely shed for me.

2 A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
my great Redeemer's throne;
where only Christ is heard to speak,
where Jesus reigns alone.

3 A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
believing, true and clean,
which neither life nor death can part
from him that dwells within.

4 A heart in ev'ry thought renewed,
and full of love divine;
perfect and right and pure and good —
a copy, Lord, of thine.

5 Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
come quickly from above;
write thy new name upon my heart,
thy new best name of love.

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

God of all creation, you bring forth
bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.

By your Holy Spirit this bread and wine
will be for us
the body and blood of Christ.

All you have made is good.

Your love endures for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Honour and worship are indeed your due,
our Lord and our God, through Jesus Christ,
for you created all things;
by your will they were created,
and for your glory they have their being.

In your loving purpose you chose us
before the foundation of the world
to be your people;
you gave your promises to Abraham and Sarah
and bestowed your favour on the Virgin Mary.

Above all we give you thanks and praise
for your grace in sending Jesus Christ,
not for any merit of our own
but when we had turned away from you.
We were bound in sin,
but in your compassion you redeemed us,

reconciling us to yourself with the precious blood of Christ.

In your Son you suffered with us and for us,
offering us the healing riches of salvation
and calling us to freedom and holiness.

Therefore with people of every nation, tribe and language,
with the whole Church on earth and in heaven,
joyfully we give you thanks and say/sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

All glory and honour to you, God of grace,
for you gave your only Son Jesus Christ
once for all on the cross
to be the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
The night before he died,
he took bread, and when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat, this is my body
which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup,
and when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you,
for this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins;
do this as often as you drink it,
to remember me.

Therefore heavenly Father,
in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son,
we now celebrate the wonder of your grace
and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come in glory.**

Redeemer God, rich in mercy, infinite in goodness,
we were far off until you brought us near
and our hands are empty until you fill them.

As we eat this bread and drink this wine,
through the power of your Holy Spirit
feed us with your heavenly food,
renew us in your service,
unite us in Christ,
and bring us to your everlasting kingdom.

O the depths and riches of your wisdom, O God;
how unsearchable are your judgments
and untraceable your ways.

**From you, and through you, and for you are all things.
To you be the glory for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.**

Agnus dei - sung

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

The Invitation

In the breaking of the bread, we recognise the risen Lord;
he whose table is open to all

he who welcomes friend and stranger.

If you are hungry, come eat the bread of heaven.

If you are thirsty, come drink the wine of life.

All are invited. Come to this table and share.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Jesus Christ is holy,

Jesus Christ is Lord,

To the glory of God.

Prayers after Communion *(President)*

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace and opened the gate of glory.

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name.**

Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
honour everyone;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit...

...and the blessing of God,
the Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life,
be with you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Notices

Concluding Hymn

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty – 573

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation.
All ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near;
joining in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
hast thou not seen
how thy heart's wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
if to the end he befriend thee.

4 Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in us adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the 'Amen'
sound from his people again,
gladly for ay we adore him.

Dismissal (*Liturgist*)

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

As winter illnesses increase, please do not attend church if you are unwell. Staying home when sick is a simple way to care for the wellbeing of our congregation.

Calling all knitters – it is Sea Sunday on July 12th.
Let's get knitting beanies for Seafarers.

Also – ideas for decorating the church for Sea Sunday all welcome.

QUEST MAGAZINE

We are now taking submissions for our next edition which we are hoping to publish halfway through July.



If you are wanting a theme to write about, think of mid-winter cosy fireside chats.

If you would like to submit something to go into the Quest, please drop it into the Parish Office or
email: admin.mtmaunganui@waiapu.com
All submissions need to be in no later than **1 July**.



St John's Women's Fellowship♥..... *Soup and Rolls Lunch*

 **JULY 14TH** 

at St John's Church in the hall
.....
 **94 Bureta Road** 



**11:30 ARRIVE FROM FOR
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➤ **ALL WELCOME** —

Mark your calendar!

✦ Mid-Winter Christmas at St Peter's ✦

Here at St Peter's, we're passionate about creating opportunities for our community to come together in ways that genuinely support those in need. This year, we've placed a strong focus on helping vulnerable families by gathering regular donations for the local food bank — and the support has been fantastic.

We're starting the evening with a little social gathering, complete with **mulled wine and nibbles**, before moving into a cosy, wintry singalong and a beautiful candlelit celebration.

So let's bring Christmas forward, celebrate joy and thanksgiving in the middle of winter, and raise funds that go directly toward providing meals and support for people experiencing homelessness.

Come along, share the warmth, and help us make a real difference in our community.



St. Peter's Aglican Church
Mount Maunganui

15 Victoria Rd

MID WINTER CHRISTMAS

Saturday
25th JULY

Celebration

Doors open 6pm
Entry by KOHA

Warm up with Mulled Wine & Nibbles
7pm Candlelight Concert and Carols

Community togetherness to help feed those in need - **koha**
goes towards feeding the homeless and vulnerable



At our Eucharist bread and wine will be offered from the altar rail. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS INTINCTION (DIPPING) OF BREAD INTO WINE PERMITTED.** If this occurs then a fresh chalice of wine must be prepared for the remainder of the congregation.

PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Sun	21 st June	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's
Tue	23rd June	7.00 pm	Scholar's Practice	St Peter's
Wed	24 th June	10.00 am	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's
Thu	25 th June	7.00pm	Vestry Meeting	St Mary's
Sat	27th June	9.00am	St Mary's Op Shop Big Saturday Sale	St Peter's
Sun	28 th June	9.30am	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's
Sun	28th June	2.00pm	Holy Eucharist	St Mary's

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