

service of

SORROWS

a service of

reflection, prayer,
music & hope

*whakaaroaro, inoi, waiata,
me te tūmanako*

SATURDAY

27 JUNE

06:30PM



THE WAIKATO CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST PETER
Te whare karakia matua o Pita Tapu ki Waikato

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**The Very Rev'd Wendy Scott
Fr. Cruz Missioner for Waikato**

Soloists:

Cecily Shaw (mezzo soprano)

Celia Griffiths (violin)

Pianist: Eon Malan

Intercessor: Sandra Walz

This service is designed with you in mind.

Tonight there'll be a variety of music to listen to and some you may wish to sing along to, there'll be a Bible reading, a short reflection, and the opportunity to respond to God's word by taking communion or receive a blessing if you wish.

We'll light some candles and spend time in prayer and silence.

After the service, please stay for some supper if you can. If it would help to have someone to talk to or pray with, but you don't know who you could ask, please let me know.

Please know that are welcome to just sit, our prayer is that in some small way you experience God's blessing in this space.

Prelude:

Spiegel im Spiegel (A. Pärt)

This is my Father's world (arr. GM. Hayes)

Abendlied (J. Rheinberger)

Welcome

Fr Cruz - Mihi Whakataua and Karakia

Hymn:

***Cecily/
Eon*** **Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The holy One, is here;
Come bow before him now
With reverence and fear
In him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The holy One, is here.**

Ladies **Be still, for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
With splendour he is crowned:
How awesome is the sight
Our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around.**

All **Be still, for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place:
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister his grace -
No work too hard for him.
In faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place.**

First outer candle

Acknowledging the hurt we have experienced.

Let us pray:

Lord, we take those we love and entrust them to your loving care. We want them to be free at home with you. Thank you for the gift each of these people has been in our lives. We want to believe that we will celebrate the treasure of

love with them again. May this truth sustain us. Take our sad and aching hearts and comfort us. Comfort us, and when we are feeling overcome with sadness, we ask for the peace that is greater than we can ever understand. God of sorrowing, draw near. Amen.

[Silence / Light candle]

Solo

Dio Siete Buono (M.E. Bossi)

Dio siete buono

Io lo vorrei gridare alto così
Che in ciel m'udisse Iddio

E via pel mondo lo vorrei lanciare
Come sfida ai malvagi il grido mio

Per il mondo cattivo e triste e stanco Vorrei che
la mia fede trionfante andasse come un grande
Angelo bianco con l'ali
aperte e il viso sfolgorante Vorrei che
dietro a Lei folle rapite

Tese le braccia e con la fronte al sole se guis
sero le genti se guis sero legenti sbigotti te al
gran richia modelle sue parole

Dio siete buono

God, You are good

*Io Io, I would shout it
So that He could hear me*

*And I would throw my cries at the world
As a challenge to the evil*

*I want my triumphant faith to fly
as a white angel through this bad and sad,
and tired world
with open wings
and a blazing face*

*I long to see crowds of people
following his words*

God, you are good

Second candle

The second candle we light is to redeem the pain of loss.

Let us pray:

God, we turn our hearts to you. We come before you in need of peace. We want to place our trust in you, but our hearts grow fearful and anxious. We forget so easily that you will be with us in all that we experience. Teach us to be patient with the transformation of our lives and to be open to the changes which we are now going through. Refresh, renew and restore us O God. Amen.

[Silence / Light candle]

Hymn:

Solo: Confitemini Domino (Taizé)

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia!

Third candle

Acknowledging anxiety and insecurity

Let us pray:

God of our depths, we cry out to you to be our guide. Help us to have a strong sense of inner direction and grant that we may have the reassurance of knowing that we are on the right path. Take our lives and use them according to your will. Take all that is lost in us and bring it home with you. Amen.

[Silence / Light candle]

Fourth Candle

We remember those who have supported us in our lockdown experience.

Let us pray:

We thank you God for sending others to remind us that we are never alone. We thank you that in being with us, they are being Christ to us, reminding us that with Jesus we are never alone. Amen

[Silence / Light candle]

Hymn:

Solo: Nada te turbe (Taizé)

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.

Those who seek God shall never go wanting.

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.

God alone fills us.

Central Candle

The candle of Hope.

Let us pray:

**God, come into our darkness. Guide us when we cannot see the way.
Help us to remember that light always defeats darkness, life overcomes death.
Help us to remember Jesus, the Light of the World, is our light. Amen**

[Silence / Light candle]

Solo Praise, I will Praise You Lord (arr. H.R. Eigner)

Reading Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.
He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
For You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Kauhau/Message : Fr Cruz

Music and the lighting of individual candles

Each of us comes bearing our own hurts, sorrows, broken places.

We are going to take some time to sit and listen to music, and while it is playing, take your pain and loss, whatever you're feeling most strongly tonight, and invite God to it. Invite God into your loss, uncertainty and pain.

If you would like to, come forward and light a candle. Light it from the candle in the centre, the Jesus candle, as a way of saying thank you to him for being the light in our darkness, and to ask for help to keep on in the midst of whatever is going on around you and inside you.

If you wish you may come to the side to receive a short prayer of blessing, or you may return to your seat.

These lights in their brightness are only symbols, but as they burn and finally go out, we remember that suffering passes, though memory remains forever.

Lighting of individual candles

Après un rêve (G. Fauré)

Communion

As is our custom in an Anglican church, we are going to share communion tonight.

When Jesus gathered his friends into the upper room and shared with them the news that he would be leaving them, they must have been anxious and fearful for what would become of them.

In the midst of their fear and their hurt and their disappointment, Jesus served them a meal, and offered them himself.

Jesus took bread and broke it and gave it to his friends and said, take this and eat, this is my body that I break for you – do this and remember me.

Then Jesus took the cup and gave a blessing over it and gave it to his friends and said, do this all of you – this is my blood which I pour out for you and for many so that you might be forgiven and reconciled back to the father.

In the midst of their fear, in the midst of their hurt, in the midst of their uncertainty, Jesus gave them the one thing that could overcome all those – his presence.

Tonight we eat and drink and remember and give thanks that Christ's presence gives us peace in the midst of all our uncertainty.

If you would like to receive communion tonight, feel free to come up to the front here. If you would rather have a blessing, come up and keep your hands down. All are welcome here.

When you return to your seat we invite you to sit quietly and rest in God's presence before we conclude our service.

During Communion:

***Agnus Dei from The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace* (K. Jenkins)**

Post Communion Prayer

Kua akona nei tatou e to tatou Ariki,
ka inoi tatou

**E to matou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tou Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.**

**Homai ki a matou aiane
He taro ma matou mo tenei ra.
Murua o matou hara,
Me matou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki matou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia matou i te kino:
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te kororia,
Ake ake ake. Amine.**

Closing

Prayer

Lord, it is night.

The night is for stillness.

Let us be still in the presence of God.

It is night after a long day.

What has been done has been done;

what has not been done has not been done;

let it be.

The night is dark.

Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of our own lives rest in you.

The night is quiet.

Let the quietness of your peace enfold us,

all dear to us, and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.

Let us look expectantly to a new day,

new joys, new possibilities

In your name we pray. Amen.

Prayer:

The Lord bless you and keep you (J. Rutter)

Blessing

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty
Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.

Postlude: Song from a secret garden (R. Lovland)

Prayer is available at the front

Please join us for hospitality in the church lounge

Priest Assistant

Vestry has approved the appointment of a full time Priest Assistant. We are hoping this person will be able to start in September.

We are currently looking for accommodation for this person. Do you have a granny flat for a single person? This will be a reliable tenant.

Please talk to the Dean if you can help.

Annual General Meeting

Sunday 9th August 2020
after service

Coffee, Company and Conversation - All Welcome

Offered at the Cathedral to talk , reflect on the week and pray.
Saturday morning 18 July at 10.00am in the Boardroom.

Contact Sandra Walz
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Social Club Midwinter Lunch

Friday 10 July 2020
\$20.00 per person

RSVP: To the office by
Wed 8 July

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