

St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Napier.

'Partners in God's Mission of Love'

'We celebrate life in Christ. Join us on the journey'

Sunday 3rd March, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

10am Service *led by Rev Mo Morgan*

Music led by Pam Clare

We gather as people of God

***Gathering Hymn:** **Holy Holy Holy, Lord God Almighty**

Welcome: Mo Morgan

Notices:

Call to worship & lighting the Lenten Candles:

We light the third candle as a symbol of our faith in Jesus Christ who will lead us from death to life.

Opening Prayer: Mo Morgan

***Hymn:** **All Creatures of our God and King** (WOV 3)

1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,

O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of ev'ning, find a voice,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 And all ye men of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on Him cast your care;
O praise Him, O praise Him!
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness;
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One;
O praise Him, O praise Him!
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

We are renewed by God's Grace

Prayers of thanksgiving and confession.

Words of Assurance

We listen for God's Word

A brief introduction to the theme - Caring for God's Creation: Mo

Prayer of Preparation: Mo

The First Reading: Psalm 8

The Gospel Reading: John 2:13-22

Reflection: Rev Mo Morgan

A short time of silence

***Hymn:** **How Great Thou Art** (*WOV 628*)

We respond to God's Word

The Offering:

Prayer of Dedication:

Prayers of The People: Mo

The Lord's Prayer:

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.

***Hymn:** **From Heaven You Came** (**The Servant King**)

From Heaven You came, helpless babe
Entered our world, your glory veiled
Not to be served but to serve
And give Your life that we might live

This is our God, The Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him

To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to The Servant King

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load he chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
"Yet not My will but Yours", He said

This is our God, The Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to The Servant King

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered

This is our God, The Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to The Servant King

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we're serving

This is our God, The Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to The Servant King

We go out to serve

The Blessing:

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all,
now and forever,
Amen, Amen, Amen.

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

Helping Today

Greeters: Bruce & Janice Tucker

Offering: Liz Willis

Bible Readers: Michael Hamilton

Music: Pam Clare

Flowers: Pam Clare

Grounds: Murray & Lynne Arnold

Helping next week 10th March 2024

Greeters: Marion Fell & Ella Haigh

Offering: Janice Tucker

Bible Reader: Richard Loan

Music: Dorothy Finlayson

Flowers: Alison & Bill Hancock

Grounds: Paul Hentschel

Prayer Focus:

Let us pray for: -

- * Ministry among us: **Care and Share**
- * Partners in God's Mission of Love: **Napier Family Centre**
- * Partners in the Napier Inner City: **Trinity Methodist**
- * Parishes in our Presbytery: **St Columba's Taradale**

Retiring Offering Today

A Retiring Offering for Child Sponsorships World Vision and Save the Children will be taken up today.

March Lunch Group

The **Parish lunch** group will meet this **Friday, 8th March at noon** at **Bangkok House, Lower Dickens Street**. Please let Jill know if you would like to attend – 027 342 1282. Thank you.

Lenten Studies

The Lenten studies continue each Wednesday until **27th March** at **Waiapu Cathedral at 7pm**. The course is facilitated by Rev. Debora Brooke and each study engages with some aspect of a call from God. Information leaflets are available from the foyer. If you wish to find out more, please speak to **Janice** after the service.

March 2024 Newsletter

The latest quarterly newsletter has now been published. Paper copies are in the respective pigeon holes awaiting delivery and a digital version has been sent electronically. We hope you enjoy reading this March newsletter. If you have not received your copy either by email or printed version by the end of the coming week, please contact Bridget at the church office stpaulsnapier@gmail.com or phone the office and leave a message on the voicemail Tel: 06 835 5359.

Bible Readings for Monday 4th March to Saturday 9th March 2024

Monday, March 4, 2024:

Psalm 84; 1 Kings 6:1-4, 21-22; 1 Corinthians 3:10-23

Tuesday, March 5, 2024:

Psalm 84; 2 Chronicles 29:1-11, 16-19; Hebrews 9:23-28

Wednesday, March 6, 2024:

Psalm 84; Ezra 6:1-16; Mark 11:15-19

Thursday, March 7, 2024:

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Genesis 9:8-17; Ephesians 1:3-6

Friday, March 8, 2024:

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Daniel 12:5-13; Ephesians 1:7-14

Saturday, March 9, 2024:

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Numbers 20:22-29; John 3:1-13