



# KAPITI UNITING PARISH

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## Waikanae Church

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Reader: Evan Ireland



*'The Great Elevation' chalice and host displayed in Te Papa  
Artist: Reverend Francis Taupongi, Solomon Islands*

## WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP

In this familiar place we know the mystery of your  
grace.

In halting song and word the music of your voice is heard.

Among these friends of ours we taste the company divine.

Within the narrow sphere we learn that you are everywhere.

For the love that we receive, for the truth that we believe, we praise and thank you for this here and now.

*Colin Gibson adapted*

**HYMN** WOV 114 Thank you for giving me the morning

Thank you for giving me the morning,  
Thank you for every day that's new  
Thank you for new things in store for me  
And for work to do.

Thank you for all my friends and brothers,  
Thank you for everyone that lives,  
Thank you that even greatest enemies  
I can forgive.

Thank you for many little sorrows  
Thank you for every kindly word,  
Thank you in the midst of trouble  
Sympathy is stirred.

Thank you, I see your word has meaning,  
Thank you, I know your Spirit here,  
Thank you, because you love all people,  
Those both far and near.

Thank you, O Lord, for speaking to us,  
Thank you for telling us you care,  
Thank you, O Lord, you came among us  
Bread and wine to share.

Thank you, O Lord, your love is boundless,  
Thank you that I am full of you,  
Thank you, you make me feel so glad and  
Thankful as I do.

## **PRAYER**

**READING-** Psalm 107 verses 1-9 and 43

## **REFLECTION 1**

**HYMN** WOV 519 Dear Lord and Father

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways;  
re-clothe us in our rightful mind:  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who  
Heard beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a world  
rise up and follow thee.

O sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee

the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heat of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still small voice of calm.

*John Greenleaf Whittier*

**READING-** Luke 12 verses 13-21

## **REFLECTION 2**

### **OFFERING**

Take what ever we can offer-  
gifts that we have yet to find,  
skills that that we are slow to sharpen,  
talents of the heart and mind,  
things made beautiful for others  
in the place where we must be:  
take our gifts and let us love you,  
God who first of all loved us. Amen

*Shirley Murray adapted*

## **PRAYERS**

silent prayer

### **Lord's Prayer** WOV 676

Our Father in heaven,  
Holy be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Do not put us to the test,  
But deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the pow'r and glory are yours now  
and forever  
Amen, amen, amen, amen,  
amen, amen, amen, amen

*Richard Gillard & John Smith*

### **HYMN** WOV 658 Let us talents and tongues employ

**Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy;  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

***Jesus lives again,  
earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around:  
Loaves abound!***

**Christ is able to make us one;  
at his table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express.**

***Jesus lives again...***

**Jesus calls us, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
give us love to tell, bread to share:  
God-Immanuel everywhere!**

***Jesus lives again...***

*Frederik Herman Kaan*

## **COMMUNION**

We bring bread and wine, and ourselves to be used in  
God's service.

### **Let us pray**

**God, as we come the table, we know that we are  
always in your care. We are your people, you never  
forget us. We come as a family to share the Lord's  
supper. Amen**

We remember that on the night before Jesus died, he  
was sharing a Passover meal with his disciples. He took  
bread, and after giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to  
his disciples saying

"Take, eat this is my body which is given for you. Do this  
is in remembrance of me."

In the same way he took the cup, after giving thanks he  
gave it to the disciples saying: "Drink this, all of you, this

cup is the new covenant poured out for you and for many. Do this in remembrance of me.

## **THE LORD'S SUPPER IS READY, EVERYONE IS WELCOME** (DISTRIBUTION)

### **Prayer after communion**

We give you thanks Creator God, that in your free gift of love you have reached out to us, refreshed us at your table, touched our deepest needs and called us to live a life of faith and hope. Amen

**HYMN** WOV 669 I am the light of the world

*I am the light of the world  
You people come and follow me!  
If you follow and love  
You'll learn the mystery  
Of what you were meant to do and be*

When the song of the angels is stilled,  
When the star in the sky is gone,  
When the kings and the shepherds  
Have found their way home,  
The work of Christmas is begun:  
*I am the light of the world ...*

To find the lonely and the lost,  
To heal their broken souls with love,  
To feed the hungry children  
With warmth and good food,  
To feel the earth below, the sky above;

*I am the light of the world  
You people come and follow me!  
If you follow and love  
You'll learn the mystery  
Of what you were meant to do and be*

To free the prisoners from their chains,  
To make the powerful care,  
To re-build the nations  
With strength of goodwill,  
To be at one with people everywhere;  
*I am the light of the world ...*

To bring hope to every task you do,  
To dance at a baby's new birth,  
To make music in  
An old man's heart,  
And sing to the colours of the earth.  
*I am the light of the world ...*

*Jim Stratthdee*

**BLESSING** (to each other)

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be  
gracious to you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give  
you peace.

NRSV Num 6:24-26

**GRACE**