SAINT GEORGE ANGLICAN CHURCH
welcomes you to

The Baptism of
Eric du Preez
Sunday 5th August 2018, 9.30am
Stuart and Marion thank you for joining them today for the baptism of their son Eric

**Ministry Team**

*Server:* Margaret MacKay  
*Morning Tea:* Alan Judd  
*Readers:* Jill McLeod, Finlay Clements, Pip Harry  
*Music:* Lynne Mounsey  
*Welcome Team:* Max & Vivienne Baggaley, Winnie Sheehan  
*Prayers:* Beth Philip  
*Liturgist:* Alan Judd  
*Sanctuary Guild:* Fiona Harden, Celia Newby

**The Gathering of the Community**

E te whānau a te Karaiti,  
welcome to this holy table;  
welcome to you,  
for we are Christ’s body,  
Christ’s work in the world.  
Welcome to you whose baptism makes you salt of the earth and light to the world.  
Rejoice and be glad.  
Praise God who gives us forgiveness and hope.  

Amen.  
Christ is our light,  
the joy of our salvation.  

Praise and glory to Christ,  
God’s new beginning for humanity making ritual water gospel wine, cleansing all our worship.  

Love and loyalty to Christ, who gives us the gospel.  
Praise to Christ who calls us to holiness.
Opening Song

NJ 92  Let’s Raise Our Hands

Refrain:

Let’s raise our hands,
let’s clap our hands,
in joy for the Lord.

Let’s build our lives together,
let’s freely spread our love.
With the Lord we live together,
let’s freely give our love.

Let’s give our lives a sacrifice,
and never count the cost.
Let’s live our lives a sacrifice,
and never count what’s lost.

Let’s mould our lives in unity;
the world will see we’re one.
Be bold and live in unity;
with the Lord we live as one.


Christ is the good shepherd
who knows and cares for every one of the sheep
in different folds.
In Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile;
in Christ there is no discrimination
of gender, class or race.
In Christ the poor are blessed,
the simple receive truth hidden from the wise.
Alleluia!
God of justice and compassion,
you give us a work to do
and a baptism of suffering and resurrection.
From you comes power to give to others
the care we have ourselves received
so that we, and all who love your world,
may live in harmony and trust.

Forgiveness

The congregation kneels.

The minister then says

We come seeking forgiveness
for all we have failed to be and do
as members of Christ’s body.
Silence

In God there is forgiveness.

Loving and all-seeing God,
forgive us where we have failed to support one another
and to be what we claim to be.
Forgive us where we have failed to serve you;
and where our thoughts and actions have been
contrary to yours we ask your pardon.

The presiding priest says

God forgives us; be at peace.
Silence

Rejoice and be glad,
for Christ is resurrection,
reconciliation for all the human race.
The minister and people say

We shall all be one in Christ,
one in our life together.
Praise to God who has created us,
praise to God who has accepted us,
praise to God who sends us into the world.

The congregation sits.

Sentence of the Day

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your
labour for that which does not satisfy? Eat what is good, and delight
yourselves in rich food.

Isaiah 55:2

Collect of the Day

Heavenly Father,
you see how your children hunger
for food, and fellowship and faith.
Help us to meet one another’s needs
of body mind and spirit,
in the love of Christ our Saviour.

Amen

First Reading: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a  (Jill McLeod)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  Thanks be to God
Psalm 51: 1-12

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

5 Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

6 You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

11 Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16  Finlay Clements

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Gradual Song

NJ 38  Fear Not, Rejoice
And Be Glad

Refrain:
Fear not, rejoice and be glad,
the Lord hath done a great thing;
hath poured out his spirit on all the world
on those who confess his name.

1. The fig tree is budding, the vine beareth fruit,
the wheat fields are golden with grain;
thrust in the sickle, the harvest is ripe,
the Lord has given us rain.

2. Ye shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
the mountains will drip with sweet wine;
my children shall drink of the fountain of life,
my children will know they are mine.

3. My people shall know that I am the Lord,
their shame I have taken away;
my Spirit will lead them together again,
my Spirit will show them the way.

4. My children shall dwell in a body of love,
a light to the world they will be;
life shall come forth from the Father above,
my body will set the world free.

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Gospel: John 6:24-35  Pip Harry

This is the gospel of Christ.  Praise to Christ the word
The Baptism

Dear friends, God is love, God gives us life. We love because God first loves us. In baptism God declares that love; in Christ God calls us to respond.

The Presentation for Baptism

Parents: (Stuart and Marion)

We present Eric to be baptised in this Church.

From the beginning the Church has received believers by baptism. Believer's children have also been baptised so that with help and encouragement they should grow up in Christ.

On the day when the apostles first preached the Gospel of Christ's resurrection, Peter urged his hearers 'Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus the Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.' For the promise is to you and your children, and to all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God may call.'

How do you respond to this promise?

Parents: We ask God for baptism.

Do you renounce all bad influences and powers that damage human life?

Parents, Grandparents and Godparents: Yes.

Do you trust in God's victory which brings forgiveness, freedom and life?

Parents, Grandparents and Godparents: In faith I turn to God, my way, my truth, my life, as I care for this child.

ALL: May God keep you in the way you have chosen.

BLESSING THE BAPTISM WATER:

Praise God who made heaven and earth,

ALL: whose promise endures forever.

We thank you God for your love in all creation, especially for your gift of water to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life. We thank you for your covenant with your people Israel; through the Red Sea waters you led them to freedom in the Promised Land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptised by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
Through the deep waters of death Jesus fulfilled his baptism. He died to set us free and was raised to be exalted Lord of all. It is Christ who baptises with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

**ALL:** Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

We thank you that through the waters of baptism you cleanse us, renew us by your Spirit and raise us to new life.

In the new covenant we were made members of your Church and share in your eternal kingdom.

Through your Holy Spirit, fulfil once more your promises in this water of rebirth, set apart in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**ALL:** Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour, power and might, to be our God forever and ever. Amen!

**THE BAPTISM:**
**Eric du Preez,** I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Eric du Preez, _God receives you by baptism into the Church_  
Child of God, blessed in the Spirit, Welcome to the family of Christ

**Blessing with the oil of chrism:**
We sign you with the cross,  
the sign of Christ

**Presentation of Candle:**
Walk in the faith of Christ crucified and risen. Shine with the light of Christ

**Presentation of Bible:**
May God’s word be your guide.

**Affirmation:**
Praise to God who has given us life  
**ALL:** _Blessed be God for the gift of love._  
Praise to God who forgives our sin.  
**ALL:** _Blessed be God who sets us free._  
Praise to God who kindles our faith.  
**ALL:** _Blessed be God, our strength, our hope_
ALL:  Blessed be God, God of Love! JESUS IS LORD!
What is your faith?

Parents, Grandparents and God parents:
I believe, and trust in God the Father, maker and sustainer of all things;
and in God the Son, my Saviour Jesus Christ; and in God the Holy Spirit,
giver of life and truth. This is my faith.

How then will you care for this child?

Parents, Grandparents and God parents:
I will love this child and share the faith with him.

ALL: As the community of faith we rejoice at this baptism and will share with Eric what we ourselves have received:
a delight in prayer, a love for the word of God, a desire to follow the way of Christ, and food for the journey.

Eric du Preez, you are now a pilgrim with us. As a member of Christ's body, the Church, you will be challenged to affirm your faith in God, and receive the laying on of hands in confirmation.

BLESSING:
Eric may you grow in the Holy Spirit, fulfill your ministry and follow Christ your whole life long. God bless you with wisdom and love; may this child find in you, your homes and families, Christ's love and understanding. Amen.

God of love,

ALL: we thank you for our calling to be Disciples of Christ. Help us to nurture this child in the faith we share. May he grow to love, worship and serve you and bring life to the world. Amen.
The Affirmation of Faith

You, O God, are supreme and holy.  
You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us.  
You are God.  

You, O God, are infinitely generous,  
good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved  
your love for us in Jesus Christ,  
who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now.  
You are God.  

You, O God, are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  

You are our God. We worship you.

The presiding priest or minister says

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

Prayers: Beth Philip
As Christ teaches us we pray

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 Ministry of the Sacrament
The Peace

All standing, the presiding priest says to the people

Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace  
who breaks down the walls that divide.

The peace of God be always with you.  
Praise to Christ who unites us in peace.

The presiding priest may invite the people to exchange a sign of peace  
according to local custom.
Offertory Hymn

NJ 40 Fill My House Unto
The Fullest

Refrain:
All I have and all I do
I give to you

1. Fill my house unto the fullest
   eat my bread and drink my wine;
   the love I bear is held from no-one

2. Take my time unto the fullest,
   find in me the trust you seek;
   take my hands to you outreaching.

3. Christ our Lord, with love enormous,
   from the cross his lesson taught:
   love every one as I have loved you.

The presiding priest says or sings

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed.

Lift your hearts to heaven
where Christ in glory reigns.
Let us give thanks to God.

**It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

It is the joy of our salvation, God of the universe, to give you thanks through Jesus Christ.

You said, ‘Let there be light’;
there was light.
Your light shines on in our darkness.
For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms.

You have created us
to hear your Word,
to do your will
and to be fulfilled in your love.
It is right to thank you.

You sent your Son to be for us
the way we need to follow
and the truth we need to know.

*The presiding priest continues*

You sent your Son to give his life
to release us from our sin.
His cross has taken our guilt away.

*The presiding priest continues*

You send your Holy Spirit
to strengthen and to guide,
to warn and to revive your Church.
Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven’s stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:
Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and just, glory and goodness come from you. Glory to you most high and gracious God.

Please be seated

Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son, who washed his disciples’ feet. ‘I am among you,’ he said, ‘as one who serves.’

On that night before he died he took bread and gave 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 gave you thanks. He gave it to them and said:

Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you, shed for all, to forgive sin; do this to remember me.

Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us.

God of the past and present, we your people remember your Son. We thank you for his cross and rising again, we take courage from his ascension; we look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.
Send your Holy Spirit,  
that we who receive Christ’s body  
may indeed be the body of Christ,  
and we who share his cup  
draw strength from the one true vine.  

Called to follow Christ,  
help us to reconcile and unite.  
Called to suffer,  
give us hope in our calling.  
For you, the heavenly one, make all things new;  
you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first.

Praise, glory and love be yours,  
this and every day,  
from us and all people,  
here and everywhere. Amen.

Silence may be kept.

The Communion

Christ’s body was broken for us on the cross.  
**Christ is the bread of life.**

*The priest says*  
His blood was shed for our forgiveness.  
**Christ is risen from the dead.**  
The Invitation

*Lifting the bread and cup, the priest invites the people, saying*  

Come God’s people,  
come to receive Christ’s heavenly food.  

Prayer After Communion

*Silence may be kept*
The priest says

Blessed be God who calls us together.
Praise to God who makes us one people.

Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.
Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.

Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.
Praise to God who is revealed as love.

Blessed be God who alone has called us.
Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.

Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.
Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.
Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

Closing Song

PS 229 Let There Be Love
Dave Billbrough

Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love in our eyes.
May now your love sweep this nation;
cause us O Lord, to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding,
brotherly love that is real.
Let there be love among us,
Let there be love.

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Prayer Needs

Someone will be available at the rear of the chapel by the candle during communion if you wish to receive prayer for yourself, family or others.
Please pray for Percy and Eva Golding Mary Horn, Jean Stewart, Bob Cox, Ken and Mairi, Peter and Beth Philip, Rev’d Arthur and Rev’d Brenda

Parish Community News

PARISH GALA—Time to mark your calendars!
Saturday 24th November from 8am to 3pm!!! Please bring your contributions and put in boxes at the back of the Church. Watch for notices in the pewsheet re what we’re collecting next, however, you’re welcome to bring your items whenever it’s convenient for you to do so. For more information see or phone Denise Norris on 07 868-8076; or see or email Sue Lewis-O’Halloran at sue@cpsociety.org.nz
Thank you for your support!

This week 6th-12th August 2018

Wed: 9:30-12pm Selwyn Group, Hall. MT/Hostess
Thurs: 10am Holy Communion (1662), St George’s Chapel
Office Open: Tues & Thurs - 9am—12pm
Sun: 9:30am service at St George’s - NZ Eucharist

Sunday 12th August
First Reading: 2 Sam 18: 5-9,15, 31-33: Lyn Wilson
Psalm: Psalm 130
Second Reading/The Epistle: Ephesians 4: 25-5:2: George Haffenden
Third Reading/The Gospel: John 6: 35, 41-51: Beth Philip
Presider: The Rev’d Brendon Wilkinson
Preacher: The Rev’d Jim Neilson
Intercessor/Prayers: Margaret MacKay
Liturgist: Dorothy McRoberts
Server: Raewyn Grey
Music Ministry/organist: Stuart du Preez
Morning Tea: Denise Norris
Welcome Team: Steve Darwell, Rex Geary, Lois Robinson
Sanctuary Guild/Flowers: Margaret MacKay, Denise Norris

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