

The Venerable's Corner

Last week our theme was **True Repentance**. In the gospel reading, we are presented with the story of the rich man with no name and a poor man called Lazarus. Lazarus suffers many bad afflictions and challenges throughout his life. He dies and finds himself in a place with Abraham, it doesn't say heaven but it certainly must be a place of significance because he is comforted and cared for in this place. On the other hand, the rich man who receives heaps of wealth and has the best things in life also dies but he finds himself in a place called Hades, it doesn't say hell but it can't be a good place because he is being tormented or tortured 24/7. To top it off, there is a huge gap between these two places and you cannot cross from one side to the other and no one else can help you. If this is how it is going to be after we die, then what does it all mean? I interpret this to mean that whatever we are given in life we are called to share it with others, especially those who are in need, not just with ourselves and our families. What is it that should drive us to think about others and to give to others? Love is the key! True repentance is a life long journey and it all involves who we touch and who we share Christ's love with that will ultimately determine our future. Why? Because when we think we got repentance all sorted out in our lives, we find it's only partially revealed to us not totally because when we do this we only find we have become self righteous. So be careful and awake when we make decisions today, especially when they concern others as they may not be the right ones and effect which place will be our final destination.

TWT CHOIR SMAC

Choir practice is every Sunday at 1pm. Call Char Roberts – **0416-135-894** for more information.

TE WAIRUA TAPU FACEBOOK

'LIKE' US ON FACEBOOK: Keep up on all the latest by joining our NEW 'Church of Te Wairua Tapu - Poihakena' page. Search on the name and then click the LIKE button. Or click on the link below [Te Wairua Tapu Facebook](#)

Money Matters

Kia ora everyone!!!

If you want to make an automatic payment or a donation, our **Westpac Bank** account details are as follows:

The Sydney Maori Anglican Fellowship

Number 2 Account

BSB: **032082**

Account Number: **155562**

LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTION

Church Attendance: **32**

Communicants: **19**

Our Weekly Target is \$2500.

Donations: **\$900.00**

Congregational Giving: **\$145.55**

Direct Debit: **\$280.00**

Auto Donations: **\$202.50**

Fundraising: **\$375.00**

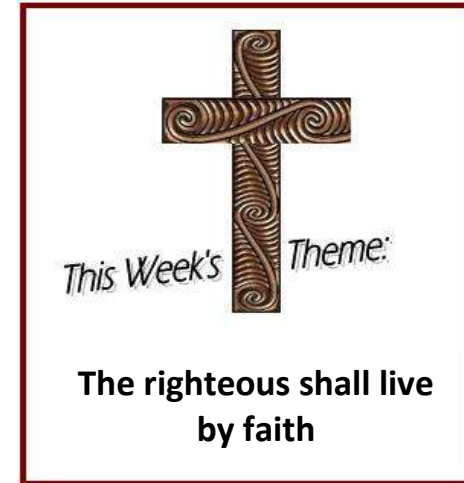
Total contributions: **\$1903.05**

[CHURCH COLOUR IS GREEN]

Sunday 3 Oct 2010

CHURCH OF TE WAIRUA TAPU

www.tewairuatapu.com.au



Rarangī:

*Ko te Ariki te kingi e mana nei i raro i nga mea katoa, i tona ringa kaha te ao katoa, e kore tetahi ake e puta ke i a ia. Ka hanga e ia te rangi me te whenua, ko te Ariki ia o te katoa. **Ehetere 13.9-11***

Reflection:

*A Believers Justification: "Through the blood of Jesus I am justified, acquitted, guilt-free, reckoned righteous, made righteous, just as if I'd never sinned." Hallelujah. **AMEN.***

The Sydney Maori Anglican Fellowship telecommunications proudly sponsored by



www.kiwitv.com.au



ATIRIKONA: Kaio M. Karipa
KAIKARAKIA: Kararaina Field

HYMNS:

Opening Hymn: **46**
 Gradual Hymn: **109**
 Offertory Hymn: **31**
 Communion: **53**
 Closing Hymn: **60**

SENTENCE:

The Lord is the king who rules over all things, the universe is in his power and there is no one who can oppose him. He has made heaven and earth and he is Lord of all. **Esther 13.9-11**

COLLECT:

O merciful God, by your grace you have called us, not as we deserve but in your goodness and generosity; guard and protect us in our calling, that we may be strong in the faith and serve you in joy and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

1ST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgement comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my

complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

2ND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Thanksgiving and Encouragement

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do.

But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING: Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. 'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"'

This is the Gospel of Christ
Praise to Christ the Word



WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Rhona Halbert 1 Oct 2001
 Mary Flowers 3 Oct 2001
 Willy Papa 27 Sep 2006
 Brian Browning 1 Oct 2009

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ivan Maheno
 Neisha Hura
 Alison Robertson
 Kilharn Manuera
 Tania Farr
 Percy Peihopa

TE AUTE COLLEGE VISITING

This Sunday Te Aute College are joining us not only in prayer but to also encourage Maori families to enrol their young and teenage boys to attend Te Aute College. Please come along and welcome them and listen to their korero.

OLD PHOTOS WANTED

We are collating photos for our 25th Anniversary, and if you have any photos from Glebe or when we first moved to Elizabeth Street, or times with Archdeacon Ihaka, Rev. Tahere, Bishop Katene or Archdeacon Karipa, could you please email these or call. Contact Pat **0402-685-193** pat@tewairuatapu.com.au

PROFESSIONAL VOLUNTARY HELP WANTED

The Church Council is looking for professional help to provide advice and support to the operation of the church. As such we are looking for a Secretary, Accountant and Lawyer. The Secretary will be responsible for maintaining the Minutes and coordinating the operations of the Church. An Accountant is required to provide professional tax, GST and financial advice and guidance and EOFY Auditing of the Church accounts. A lawyer is required to provide legal advice and services. If you can provide voluntary help to the Church please contact the Church Council at sydmaf@tewairuatapu.com.au or call Greg on **0404-005-341**.