

REMINDERS!

26 October : Stewardship Sunday

2 November : Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

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Remember: We need your tithe to stay alive!!!

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LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THE WEEK 20-26 OCT 2014

Mon 20 Oct	Eph 2:1-10	Ps 100	Lk 12:13-21
Tue 21 Oct	Eph 2:11-22	Ps 85:8-13	Lk 12:35-38
Wed 22 Oct	Eph 3:4-12	Ps 113	Lk 12:39-48
ST JAMES THE Thu 23 Oct	BROTHER OF THE LORD Isaiah 49:1-6	Ps 1	Acts 15:12-22 Mk 3:31-35
Fri 24 Oct	Eph 4:1-6	Ps 24:1-6	Lk 12:54-59
Sat 25 Oct	Eph 4:7-16	Ps 122	Lk 13:1-9
Stewardship Sun 26 Oct	1 Chron 29:10-20	Ps 24	Phil 4:10-20 Mt 6:25-34



St Andrew's Church, Strand



NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-19 OCTOBER 2014

SEASON OF CREATION 3

Theme for Week 5-Creation and Redemption-Faith like a Mustard Seed



Our Parish Vision:

GROWTH THROUGH VIBRANT CHRIST-LIKE ACTION

Our Parish Theme for 2014:

BEING THE CARERS OF OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

If you have been visiting St. Andrew's and would like to join the congregation, or become involved in a Parish Ministry please contact one of the Clergy.

The Sunday School meets in the Parish hall during the Service. Please encourage your children to attend regularly, especially as the Sunday School is preparing for the Christmas Play in December.

WELCOME

: Sue Nieuwmeyer

INTROIT HYMN

: The Cosmic Christ: *Tune Amazing Grace*

Amazing is the Christ who died
To void all sin and curse,
Just as amazing is his life
That fill the universe.

The risen Christ is more than one
Who waits on some far shore;
In, with and under ev'rything
Christ is the living core.

The hidden Christ sustains for us
The blueprint of the skies,
The wisdom in each fragile form,
The soul that lights the eyes.

The cosmic Christ moves deep below
To heal the wounds within,
When all creation groans in pain
Because of human sin.

The cosmos hails the Christ, the One
Who reconciles all things,
'Till all creation rises new
With healing in her wings.

As Christ unites the universe,
Restores this Earth once more,
A cosmic song reverberates,
A rich symphonic score.

GREETING : Rachel Mash
INTRODUCTION TO SERVICE : Ethne Meyer
SERVICE LED BY : Sue

GATHERING : The Minister says - *Let us pray:*
Christ, we come into your presence today to worship in this sanctuary called Earth,

All: A planet filled with your presence, quivering in the forests, vibrating in the land, pulsating in the wilderness, shimmering in the waters of the earth.

LITANY: Thanksgiving for creation :

We thank God for the world he has made, and for all his love and care.

For the warmth of the sun, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

For the rain which makes things grow, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

For the woods and the fields, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

For the sea and the sky, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

For the flowers and the animals, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

For families and holidays, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

For all your gifts, Father in heaven we give you thanks and praise.

All: Renew our hearts and the face of the earth

We invite the entire creation in praising our God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.
Amen.

Creation and Redemption – Faith like a Mustard Seed

The minister says: Let us pray

We forget that we are not alone and that you are with us always. We give up before we have tried. **ALL: Faith like a mustard seed**

We shy away from your call to care for all creation. We withhold our talents and gifts as caregivers. **ALL: Faith like a mustard seed**

We deny the power of your love for us and all creation.

ALL: Faith like a mustard seed

KYRIE CONFESSION :

ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Recorded music will be played during the distribution of Holy Communion

POST COMMUNION :

Let us give thanks for this meal.

All: We thank you, Christ, for the meal we have celebrated with you, and we pray that through your body and blood we may be healed and be come agents of healing for Earth. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE LAND :

Bless, O Lord, the fruit of the land

Bless, O Lord the plants, the vegetation and the herbs of the field that they may grow and increase to fullness and bear much fruit and may the fruit of the land remind us of the spiritual fruit we are to bear

BLESSING OF BOOKMARKERS : Clarence (*follow service on overhead*)

BLESSING : May the Spirit of God, who is above all and in all and through all, fill you with the knowledge of God's presence in Earth and the impulse of Christ within you, and the blessing of God the Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever. **AMEN.**

CONCLUSION: Go in peace, serving Christ and loving Earth!

All: We go in peace, serving Christ and tending Earth!

(Please keep the books tidy and remove all papers from your pew area)

RECESSIONAL HYMN : Mother Earth, our Mother Birthing
Tune: Praise my soul, the King of Heaven

Mother Earth, our mother birthing
Ev'ry creature from the ground.
Jesus too was flesh and breathing,
Kin to all that's green and brown.
Celebrate with all creation:
God has joined the web of life.

Sister Air, our sister lifting
Ev'ry creature born with wing;
Jesus shared the breath of forests,
Breath that makes our spirits sing.
Celebrate with all creation:
God has joined the web of life.

Brother Water, brother pulsing
Deep through ev'ry vein and sea,
Jesus drank the very raindrops
For wine and in our tea.
Celebrate with all creation:
God has joined the web of life.

Father Fire, our father burning
With the sacred urge to live.
Jesus' death complete the cycle,
Bringing life beyond the grave.
Celebrate with all creation:
God has joined the web of life.

THE TAKING OF THE WINE :

Be loving when you drink wine, so freely received and joyfully shared. In the spirit of Him who cared, Warm as a flowing river, Shining and clear as the sun, Deep as the soil of human toil, The winds and the air caressed it, Christ often blest it. Be loving when you drink wine.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Lord be with you***And also with you***

Lift up your hearts... ***We lift them to God***

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God of all of Creation

It is right to give him thanks and praise

You spoke the word and all.....your creatures both in heaven and on earth we praise you now and forever saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and Earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!

So we proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Therefore God, we who seek.....we stand before you and worship you, God of all, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

(Congregation to respond in the bold print)

CB Our Father Who art In Heaven, Hallowed be thy name Thy Kingdom come

All: Lord make us an instrument of your Peace

CB Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven

All: Lord, where there is hatred, let us be love

grant that we may not so much seek to be loved as to love;

CB Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us

All: Lord, where there is injury, let us be your pardon

**grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand**

CB Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the time of trial

All: Lord, where there is doubt, let us have faith

where there is despair, let us bring hope

where there is darkness, be our light

where there is sorrow, be our joy

CB For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory. Forever and ever.

All: O, Divine Master, make us an instrument of your peace

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

Amen.

Giver of Life in the midst of a plundered earth we groan with creation.

Lord have mercy on us. **All: Lord have mercy on us**

Giver of Life in the midst of poisoned water we groan with creation.

Lord have mercy on us. **All: Lord have mercy on us**

Giver of life in midst of polluted air we groan with creation

Christ have mercy on us. **All: Christ have mercy on us**

As we come home to earth, as we seek to love our home, as we seek to love our kin. We groan with creation. Christ have mercy on us

All: Christ have mercy on us

Giver of Life in the midst of mountains of waste we groan with creation.

Lord have mercy on us. **All: Lord have mercy on us**

Giver of life in the midst of a world of war we groan with creation

Lord have mercy on us. **All: Lord have mercy on us**

PENITENCE : All say together:

We are sorry.

We have killed living soils with excessive chemicals.

We have turned fertile fields into lifeless salt plains.

We have cleared rich lands of wild life.

We have swallowed Earth's resources in selfish cities

The Minister says : *We are Sorry*

All: We are sorry, please forgive us

ABSOLUTION : Revd Rachel

Christ hears your confession from deep in the tomb and forgives your sins against the land. **All: Christ, teach us to love Earth and return to Earth as our home.**

I speak for Christ: I invite you to come home to Earth by rejoicing in the land.

All: Peace with God! Peace with our neighbour! We are coming home!

COLLECT (*All pray together*)

Lord of all the universe

Through your incarnation in Christ you identified with the created order and proclaimed your love for the world

Assist us through your Son to respect and cherish the earth and all its creatures through Jesus Christ who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen**

READING : Colossians 1:15-23 pg 250-Marietjie Malherbe

PSALM : Psalm 46 pg 660 of the APB

GRADUAL HYMN : AMNS 356: Father Lord of all

GOSPEL READING : Matthew 17-13-22 pg 25-Jonathan Hobosch

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH : The Minister says: *Let us affirm our faith together.*

**Women: We believe that God creates all things,
renews all things and celebrates all things.**

**Men: We believe Earth is a sanctuary,
a sacred planet filled with God's presence,
a home for us to share with our kin.**

Women: We believe that God became flesh and blood, became a piece of Earth, a human being called Jesus Christ, who lived and breathed and spoke among us, suffered and died on a cross, for all human beings and for all creation.

Men: We believe that the risen Jesus is the Christ at the core of creation reconciling all things to God, renewing all creation and filling the cosmos.

Women: We believe the Holy Spirit renews life in creation, groans in empathy with a suffering creation, and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.

Men: Together we believe that with Christ we will rise and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation. Amen.

INTRODUCTORY DVD : What a wonderful world

REFLECTION / HOMILY : Revd. Dr. Rachel Mash

PRAYERS : Jonathan

The minister says: Let us pray:

Leader: Jesus Christ make our faith sensitive to the groans of the Spirit in creation, groans of longing for a new creation Jesus Christ, make our hearts sensitive to the songs of our kin. Songs of celebration echoing around us and we remember those who suffer from adversity, illness and bereavement.

All: With all creation we praise our Creator.

Leader: Let us pray for the whole Earth, the oceans the rivers and the streams May our lives be so balanced that greed makes way for the need and the tendency to waste makes way for the commitment to save.

All: With all creation we praise our Creator.

Leader: We thank you for the gift of Church and we pray your blessing and wisdom on Thabo our Metropolitan, Margaret our Bishop, Clarence our Rector and all other ministers of your word and sacrament.

All: With all creation we praise our Creator.

Leader: God of faith, deepen our faith so we may bear witness to Christ in the world; God of hope, strengthen our hope so we may be signposts to your transforming presence; God of love, kindle our love so that, in a fragile and divided world, we may be signs of the faith, hope, love which we share in Jesus Christ.

All: With all creation we praise our Creator

Leader: We thank you, God, for the gift of life, for the beauty and wonder of Creation, and for our own life which comes from you.

All: With all of creation we praise you. Glory to you forever and ever. Amen

NOTICES

1. **RAFFLE TICKETS:** R100 per ticket (still 40 tickets available)

2. **FINAL CAR BOOT SALE & BOEREWORS** : Set for Saturday, 25 October. R50 a stand and Boerewors at R15. Please support. Book with Office.

3. **BAZAAR DONATIONS / MEETING:** To be please handed in between Sunday 26 and Wednesday 29 October when Stall Holders will meet at 7pm.

4. **FOOD FESTIVAL & MARKET WEEKEND: 31 OCT & 1 NOV**

* We need goods for the White Elephant Stall!-Contact Delano 0839865772

* We need more donations of Goods (See List on Notice Board & Parish Hall)

* We need support for the RAFFLE (only 200 tickets in draw with 20 prizes)

* We need your support for the Spit Braai & Karaoke on 31/10 at R60 pp

Limited tickets available from Lucille (0733198612) after the service!

* We need your presence at the MARKET/BAZAAR

6. **STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY:** Next Sunday, 26 October marks the beginning of the Stewardship Programme. Special Dedication & Tithing Cards will be available until 23 November and the congregation is asked to pin the Dedication Cards on a Special Board / Picture during the Service at the appropriate time and also to place their Tithing Cards in a Special Pledge/Tithing Box which will also be used to place tithing envelopes in as from Advent Sunday, 30/11.

7. **COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED SERVICE:** Will take place on Sunday, 2 November. Plaques (R400) or a prayer book (R160) can be dedicated in memory of a loved-one but these MUST be handed to the Rector by NO LATER than this coming Tuesday, 21 October. If you would like to remember a loved one during a special liturgical rite on 2 November, please write the names on the list on the Notice Board. We will also have a special candle-lighting ceremony during the Service for those who will hand in names and a bowl of oasis in which you will be able to place a flower or flowers which will then be transformed into a big bouquet for the rest of Nov.

Please to pray for the sick & housebound:

Kathleen Hall, Auriol Ingram, Romaine Hill, Patsy Marais, Hope Opperman, Winifred Venter, Claude Forbes, Viv Smith, Jeremy Heesom & Clarence Taylor.

SPECIAL PRAYERS : Clarence (for Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries etc...)

BIRTHDAYS: Frederick Fradie, Arthur Visser (20) Mark Swartz, Marume Madzikatire (21) Nadine Cloete, Fred Petersen (23) Debbie Farmer, Jaide Knowles (24) Tom Higgs (25)

PEACE GREETING : SOF 22 - A new commandment (**Revd Rachel**)

OFFERTORY HYMN : SOF 290: Jesus is Lord

RECEIVING OF THE GIFTS

God, our Creator, through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep thanks and as signs of our concern for those in need, including our fellow creatures on planet Earth.

All: With all creation, we praise our Creator.

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD :

Be gentle when you touch bread or let it lie uncared for-unwanted. So often bread is taken for granted, there is so much beauty in bread - Beauty of the sun and soil, Beauty of patient toil. Winds and rains have caressed it. Christ often blest it. Be gentle when you touch bread.

All: Blessed be God for ever.