



The Theme last week was **Christ Our Light**. As Christians, we are called to be Christ's light in the world. In every pastoral situation or relationship we find ourselves involved with, people judge us for who we are and who we are being. They are not really interested in you but who you represent. In other words, like the two disciples who encountered Jesus on the road to Emmaus, they didn't know who he was and they were more concerned about themselves their grief, loss and crisis of faith. They were so focused on themselves that they didn't see the light or the living Christ present with them, and they were the closest to Jesus! Yet, here we are over 2000 years after Jesus' encounter with his disciples that Christ is our light! We live by faith and we trust and believe Jesus Christ is our risen Lord and Saviour and because of this, the way we meet and encounter others helps to be more Christlike for others! Two weeks ago we hosted our annual ANZAC Service. There was over 100 people present to commemorate and remember our ANZAC's and those that gave their lives for our freedom. The worship we provided was in a Christian context and it was a privilege to do so. When we serve others we are called to give as much as we can of ourselves! Not focusing on our needs but the needs of others and the only way we can do this is by allowing Christ to be our light!

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**

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LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTION

Attendance:

Communicants:

Our Weekly Target is \$2500.

Donations: **\$1640.00**

Congregational Giving: **\$934.45**

Direct Debit: **\$540.00**

Auto Donations: **\$107.50**

Fundraising: **\$0.00**

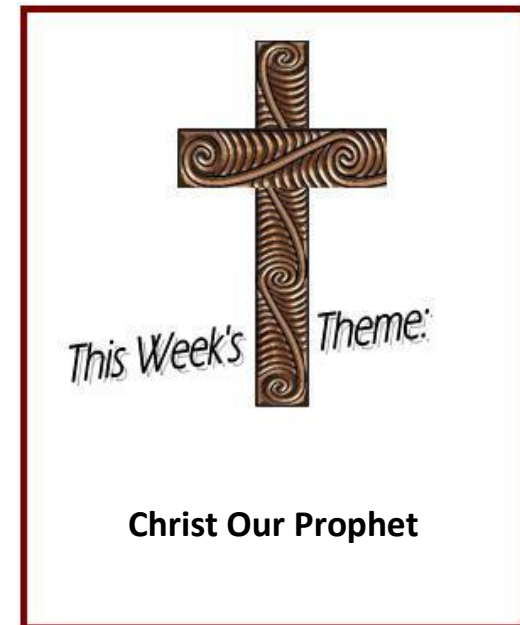
Total contributions: **\$3221.95**

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Sunday 15 May 2011

CHURCH OF TE WAIRUA TAPU

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Rarangi:

Me i reira ka mea a Ihu ki nga Hurai i whakapono ki a ia, Ki te mau tonu koutou ki taku kupu, he tino akonga koutou naku; A e matau koutou ki te pono, ma te pono ano koutou ka rangatira ai.

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Today's Service

ATIRIKONA: Archdeacon K Karipa

KAIKARAKIA: Karauna Waititi

HYMNS:

Opening Hymn:

Gradual Hymn:

Offertory Hymn:

Closing Hymn:

SENTENCE:

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' **John 8:31, 32**

COLLECT:

Good Shepherd of the sheep, by whom the lost are sought and guided into the fold; feed us and we shall be satisfied, heal us and we shall be whole, and lead us that we may be with you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

1ST READING:

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Life among the Believers

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at

home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

2ND READING:

1Peter 2:19-25

For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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GOSPEL READING:

John 10:1-10

Jesus the Good Shepherd

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit.

The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ the Word



Prayful Paths

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Sam Carroll 9 May 2005

Mary Halbert 12 May 2009

Rev Raymon Ponui-Dickson 16 May 2010

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ngaire Rogers Carmen Rupe

Karanui Pene AphirTahitahi

Sam Morunga Hohi Clarke

Ken Rau Fred Kaa



TWT Groups

TWT CHOIR SMAC

Choir practice is every Wednesday night at 7pm. 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

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TE WAIRUA TAPU KURA

The TWT Kura Te Reo classes has restarted for 2011 every Sunday from 7:30am to 9:30am at the Church.



Upcoming Events

TE WAIRUA TAPU GALA DAY

Reminder, that the annual Te Wairua Tapu Gala Day is on Sunday 19 June 2011 from 10:30am to 4:00pm. There will be no Sunday service at the Church that day.