



***Jesus appears to his disciples and their mood gradually changes from fear to joy and wonder.***

**The risen Christ brings joy and wonder.**

Where the devastation of natural disasters is overcome through sharing, sacrifice and hope, the risen Christ is there.

Where the challenges of producing clean power are faced and the elements of water, wind and tidal currents are harnessed, the risen Christ is there.

Where education is tailored to the needs of students and their families, the risen Christ is there.

Where corruption is tackled head on and intimidation is exposed and countered, the risen Christ is there.

Where racial hatred is exposed and job discrimination outlawed, the risen Christ is there.

But it isn't easy. Luke writes,

**“They could still not believe, they were so full of joy and wonder.” \***

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When we are awestruck with the beauty of forest, mountain, or river, the risen Christ is there.

When we trust our best instincts and risk new ways of living, the risen Christ is there.

When we put unhealthy friendships behind us and make new friends, the risen Christ is there.

When we face up to the limitations of our work, our sports or social groups, and move on, the risen Christ is there.

When we acknowledge the spiritual side of our being and determine to grow spiritually, the risen Christ is there.

When we face the fact of our own mortality and make the most of each new day, the risen Christ is with us.

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We remember those people known to us who are in need of extra prayer at this time. Amanda, Hope, Bob, Gabriel, and Hilda and Jack Hutchinson. And parishioners and residents in Alma Road, Argyle Terrace, Brian Avenue, Cecil Road.

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
 for the sake of your Son,  
 our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Preparing for commemorating 100 years since Gallipoli**



We have a wire framed heart shape which we could fill with poppies or similar so that by Anzac Weekend we have a fine heart display.

**Next Sunday – April 26th Easter Four – Anzac Day**

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson – Acts 4: 5-12**

**Epistle - 1 John 3: 16-24**

**Gospel – John 10: 11-18**

**8.00am** - Bobbie Poll, Jim Cozens, Brynyce Owen, Ian Turner.

**9.30am** - Gaylene Hotchkiss, Patrick Jackson, Chris and Christine Maud, Priscilla Philip.

**This Week –**

<b>Monday 20</b>	<b>School resumes. Term 2 begins.</b>
<b>Tuesday 21</b>	Selwyn Centre 9.30am – 12.00. Activities, good company and morning tea cost \$3.00 .
<b>Wednesday 22</b>	10.00am Holy Communion. Morning Tea, and Bible Study. 12.00 A.A.meeting.
<b>Thursday 23</b>	Mainly music resumes 10.00am.
<b>Saturday 25</b>	Anzac Day 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gallipoli landing.
<b>Sunday 26</b>	Services at 8am and 9.30am. Easter 4. These will include Gallipoli reflections and prayers for peace.

**The interregnum minister is the  
Rev. Noel Derbyshire. A short history.**

Deacon 1968 Priest 1969

Study Commerce, Theology and History

Worked in Otago Diocese, Papua New Guinea, General Secretary of the Anglican Board of Missions, Vicar Cambridge, Bishop's Chaplain in Auckland Diocese. Noel is receiving his PhD this coming week.



For helping at the garage sale. We have made over \$2,300. The shop took \$153.50. An excellent effort indeed.

**Ethan's invitation to be extras in a film.**

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April or (Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> if Tuesday is wet) Is anyone interested in being an extra for the day, at Howick, All Saints Church Picton Street Howick. Dress wear old fashion church going clothes. Please phone Ethan on 021 02900170. Transport is provided.

**Methodist and Anglican Covenant**

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 7pm

Pitt St Methodist Church

Led by Synod Superintendent The Rev'd Marilyn Welch

Preacher Bishop Ross Bay

**Reflection**

With our eyes open to wonder,  
with our minds attuned to goodness,  
with our souls aware of what fears and doubts still remain  
but with our hearts open to joy and forgiveness,  
we will go in peace  
to love and serve the world.

**Receipts for your donations are now available.  
Please collect your envelopes.**