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14th Sunday after Pentecost

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TODAY

8.00am – Holy Communion NZPB 476
9.30am – Holy Communion NZPB 476

Sentence – Taste and see how gracious the Lord is, happy are those who find refuge in the Most High. Psalm 34:8

Collect – Holy and eternal God, give us such trust in your sure purpose, that we measure our lives not by what we have done or failed to do, but by our faithfulness to you. Amen

Today's Hymns

Introit 77 All people that on earth do dwell
Gradual 225 God has spoken

Offertory 472 Let all mortal flesh keep silent
Dismissal 93 Praise, my soul, the king of heaven

Readings for today Sunday 21st August

1st Reading – Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Epistle – Hebrews 12: 18-29

Gospel – Luke 13: 10-17

Readers 8.00am – Mary Griffiths and Rosemary Maire

Readers 9.30am – Priscilla Philip and Gaylene Hotchkiss

Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

Hebrews 12: 18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an

animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Luke 13: 10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on

those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

We remember in our prayers today – Louie (Hilary’s grandson) Briar, Robyn, Bob and Gabrielle, Simon and Carol. And we remember parishioners and residents in Kennedy Avenue, Knightsbridge Drive, Linwood Avenue, Lyttleton Avenue.

This Week

Tuesday 23	Selwyn Centre 9.30am – 12.00. Join us for fellowship and fun. Cost \$3.00. Vestry meeting 7.30pm.
Wednesday 24	10.00am Holy Communion followed by morning tea.
Thursday 25	10.00am mainly music.
Sunday 28	Services at 8.00am and 9.30am.

Readings for next Sunday 28th August

1st Reading – Jeremiah 2: 4-13
Epistle – Hebrew 13: 1-8, 15-16

Gospel – Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Readers 8.00am – Mary Griffiths and Mary Chamberlain.

Readers 9.30am – Tania Manuel and Tex Riley.

Brain Teaser

Smart Alec sat in biology class with a smug grin on his face. “What are you looking so pleased about?” asked the teacher with a feeling of impending doom. “I know something that has 4 legs and two arms,” announced Alec proudly. The teacher racked his brains but could think of no creature which fitted the description. What did Alec mean?

Answer see newsletter

next week.

Op Shop

Have you all been into the Op Shop lately? We have had so many good comments as to how lovely the shop is looking. Thank you Liz and your team of helpers.