St Paul's-by-the-Sea, Milford

Sunday 30th June 2024

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Sentence - The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never came to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lamentations 3: 22-23

Collect - O Christ for whom we search, our help when help has failed: give us courage to admit our need and ask to be made whole that, being touched by you, we may be raised to new life in the power of your name. Amen

Introit	35	Glorious things of you are spoken
Gradual	108	Give thanks with a grateful heart
Offertory	374	O changeless Christ, for ever new
Closing	490	We cannot measure how you heal

8.00am - Blue Book **9.30am -** NZPB 404

Readings for today Sunday 30th June

First Reading - 2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-27

Epistle - 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

Gospel - Mark 5: 21-43

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised **Readers** - 9.30am - Liz and Gaylene

2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-27

After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said, "Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places! How the mighty have fallen! Tell it not in Gath; proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon, or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice; the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult. You mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you nor bounteous fields! For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more. From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan did not turn back, nor the sword of Saul return empty. Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles; they were stronger than lions. O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you with crimson, in luxury, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel. How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle Jonathan lies slain upon your high places. I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; greatly beloved were you to me; your love to me was wonderful passing the love of women. How the mighty have fallen, and the weapons of war perished!"

2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am, by mentioning the eagerness of others, testing the genuineness of your love. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my opinion: it is beneficial for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something. Now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. For I do not mean that there should be relief for others and hardship for you, but it is a question of equality between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may also supply your need, in order that there may be equality. As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

Mark 5: 21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him, and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue, named Jairus, came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had, and she was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his cloak, I will be made well." Immediately her flow of blood stopped, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my cloak?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?' "He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While he was still speaking, some people came from the synagogue leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader, "Do not be afraid; only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the synagogue leader's house, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

Readings for next Sunday 7th July

First Reading - 2 Samuel 5: 1-5,9-10

Epistle - 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

Gospel - Mark 6: 1-13

Readers - 8.00am - To be advised **Readers** - 9.30am - Patrick and Bella

We remember in our prayers - Patrick, Lorraine, Anne, Tomas, Donna, Julie, Megan, Dianne, Noeline, Gillian, Barrie, Lesley, Lorna, Shobha, Pat, Hazel, Shelley, Cynthia, Logan, Kelvin, Margaret, Jeff, and Bryce. Residents and parishioners in Otakau Road, Penning Road, Pierce Road, Prestige Place, Prospect Terrace, Rangitoto Terrace, Richards Avenue.

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 2 nd July	Selwyn Centre 9.30am. Join us for fun,	
	friendship and morning tea. Cost \$5.00.	
Wednesday 3 rd July	10am Holy Communion. Followed by morning	
	tea.	
Thursday 4 th July	Mainly Music 10am. Cost \$5.00 per family. Final	
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Sunday 7 th July	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion	

Mainly Music

We mentioned in the pew sheet a short time ago that Megan is stepping down as the MM leader from the end of this year.

The MM sessions are a very valuable outreach and we don't want to see this programme cease. If you think this role might be for you- or know of someone who might like to take this on then please get in touch with the office, or with Megan direct. It is a volunteer role (so-unpaid -) but it's a lot of fun and you do get morning tea! There's plenty of support in place for the set up and making the morning tea which we provide etc so you won't be unsupported by doing everything yourself. You don't need a musical background either, but you do need to be reliable and available for a few hours on a Thursday morning during school term time.