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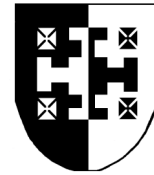
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*Anglican Parish of
Linwood - Aranui*



PEW NEWS Sunday 26th March 2023

Living out the love of Christ in our worship and service to all people.

Welcome

A warm welcome to everyone. We are glad you have joined us in this celebration of our life of faith in God. There is a special church area to help children feel at home here, and we hope you will join us for morning tea after the Service.

The Bible Readings for today - 5th Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Romans 8: 6-11

John 11: 1-45

INTRODUCTION

In the stories of the Valley of Dry Bones and of Lazarus we see that God, in Jesus Christ, is Lord even of death itself. In the face of all the deaths that make up our lives, we are told first that death is stronger than we are and that we have neither knowledge about nor power over death. So, we must choose to despair or to trust; to give up or to let go in faith. That choice is not made for us but is instead given to us. We see that the dry bones, even our dry bones, can live once more. And we see that the word of Jesus has power. "Come out," the Lord calls. "Come out" into different life, into new life. "Come out" in trust and in hope.

Call to Worship

Leader: Loving God
Hear our cry
All: Bring us to life

Leader: Redeeming God
Rescue us
All: Bring us to life

Leader: Spirit of God
Breathe on us
All: Bring us to life

Sentence:

‘I am the resurrection and the life,’ says the Lord; ‘whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.’ *John 1:25–26*

Collect:

**God in Trinity,
Creator, Saviour, Giver of life and truth,
reveal the possibilities within us,
that we may attain to the fullness of our humanity.
Hear this prayer for your love’s sake. Amen.**

Notices

Welcome to Eloise Aria Tomlinson and her family and friends as she is brought for baptism into the family of God today.

Vestry meets today at St Chad’s at 11:45am.

Next Sunday we begin the most solemn times of the Church year, as Palm Sunday leads us into Holy Week and Easter. In today’s Pew News is a separate sheet giving all the services for that week. Please note that if you plan to come to the Passover Meal on Thursday 6th you need to sign the list at the back of either St Chad’s or St Ambrose.

Lenten study groups continue this week: on Wednesday at 3pm at St Chad’s and on Sunday at St Ambrose. At St Ambrose the sermon is part of the study, with discussion afterwards over morning tea. We are using a study on 1st Peter. Please speak to Brenda to get the link for a PDF or a printed copy.

The weekly Parish Prayer Group is underway and you are encouraged to come and be part of saying Evening Prayer with a specific focus on our parish life and mission, at St Ambrose each Tuesday night at 7:30pm.

Patty would like to have a Repair Cafe in the last weekend of April. But first she needs some idea of the people who would be willing to help? If you are prepared to offer a Skill or can make a cuppa, please write your name, phone number and skill on the sheet provided at the back of the church. If you have any enquiries please ring Patty at the office. Thank you.

Meet My Friend Jesus—the next Messy Church for young families is planned for Saturday 1st April, 3—4.30pm, at St Ambrose Church. All welcome.

Weekly activities at both Church sites & bookshop

Day	Activity	Time
<i>At St Chad’s site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	10am
Wednesday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Eucharist	10am
	Lenten Study Group	3pm
Friday	Op Shop	9am to 12 noon
	Te Reo Service	11am
	Community Lunch - cost of meal \$4.00	12 noon
Sunday	Eucharist	8.15am
	Eucharist	10.00am
<i>At St Ambrose’s site</i>		
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	9:45am
	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
	Handiscope	1-3 pm
	Parish Prayer Group	7.30pm
Wednesday	Food Bank	10am—12 Noon
	Communion Service	Not being held at present
Thursday	Elder Care Group	9:30am—1pm
Friday	Food Bank Cafe	10am—12 Noon
Sunday	Communion Service	10am
<i>At the Barnabas Bookshop site</i>		
Days open	Tuesday through Saturday inclusive (excludes Public Holidays)	10am to 4pm

Next Week’s Bible Readings— Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Philippians 2: 5-11

Matthew 21: 1-11