



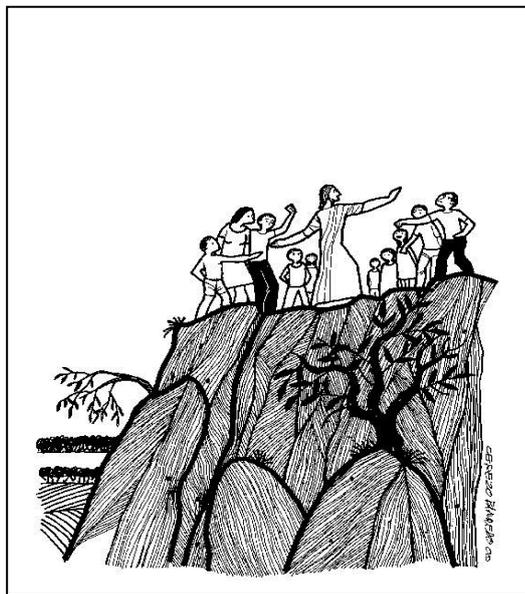
**St Johns**  
Being the Gospel to all People

**Sunday**  
**30 January 2022**

A very warm welcome is extended to all visitors to St Johns. Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy.

## Speaking Out

**Scripture readings:** Luke 4:21-30



<sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." <sup>22</sup> All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup> He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup> And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. <sup>25</sup> But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup> yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup> There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup> When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup> They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup> But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

**Next Sunday: 6 February 2022**

**Theme: Called into Mission**

**Scripture reading: Luke 5:1-11**

**Prayer points for:** the Brook family in their time of bereavement; Olga and the Ferreira family during their time of bereavement; for relief supplies and recovery assistance to reach the citizens of Tonga following the recent volcanic eruption and tsunami; for accessibility to and continued uptake of Covid vaccines; for good health for Mary and Brenda and for the safety of all workers at our borders, in health, emergency, social and essential services during the global pandemic,

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### **Connecting with life**

- **What's it like to visit a place you'd considered home after a time away? Who do you first want to see? What places do you want to visit?**
- **Have you ever felt unwelcome? Why do you imagine the people receiving you made you feel this way?**

### **Scripture**

**Psalm 71:1–6** The psalmist's plea for protection recognizes God has been faithful in the past and God will offer the help and comfort we need in the future.

- **How would our prayers change if we trusted how thoroughly and completely we are known by God?**

**Luke 4:21–30** Jesus' words found a hard reception at home. The gospel of including outsiders stirred conflict. That truth, experienced by earlier prophets, still holds true today.

- **What are the difficult truths that need to be spoken and heard in your community?**
- **How does your community of faith react to uncomfortable truths? In what ways might you turn any discomfort into opportunities for learning or serving?**
- **In light of Jesus' call to include "outsiders" in his ministry, how might your congregation rethink its mission outreach? What "outsiders" are in need of your support?**

### **Connecting scripture and life**

- **Knowing that God knows you, what do you think God is calling you to do and say that will build up or tear down, in order that God's love will be known by all?**
- **How does your faith community encourage any and all to speak out?**

**THIS WEEK 30 Jan – 6 Feb**

#### **Friday 28 January**

Holiday Programme concludes with a shared community dinner at 5.30 pm.

**Sunday 30 January: 9.30 am**  
Service in English and Mandarin

#### **Parish Office is open**

Tuesday 9 am – 2 pm

Thursday 9 am – 2 pm

Friday 9 am – 11 am

#### **Wednes AA meeting via Zoom**

#### **Friday 4 February**

9.30am Knitting Group (upstairs gallery)

**Sunday 6 February 9.30 am**  
service in English and Mandarin

## COMMUNITY DINNER – Friday 28 January at 5.30 pm

Do you intend joining the holiday programme parents and helpers at our shared community dinner this Friday night?

If so, please let us know by 11am on Friday morning 534 2305

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE FOR TONGA

Anglican Missions is working with the Anglican Diocese of Polynesia to replenish preposition relief supplies located at four Anglican churches in Nuku'alofa, along with assisting in a response and recovery project based on needs assessments from communities in Tonga. Donations can be made here

<https://angmissions.org.nz/donate>

## SPACE PROGRAMME

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A programme for first-time parents and their babies

Commencing Monday 14 February

Register for 2022 course at <https://book-space.as.me/schedule.php?calendarID=6341000>

**VOLUNTEERS** needed to support the running of the **SPACE** session.

Could you support the SPACE sessions on Mondays, between 10 am and 12 noon. If you would like to help by contributing morning teas or serving morning tea, welcoming those attending, knitting an item for the winter or have other suggestions for ways we can support and celebrate these new families, please let Alison know.

The programme will run every Monday for 2 hours from 10 am until noon, excluding school holidays, until 31 October.



WELL, THINGS IN NAZARETH WENT OFF THE RAILS IN A HURRY!



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YES THEY DID.)



IT SEEMS THEY THOUGHT THAT JESUS, AS A HOME TOWN BOY, OWED THEM A FAVOR. BUT NONE OF US HAS ANY CLAIM ON GOD BECAUSE OF WHO WE ARE. IT'S ALL GRACE.



I'M SURE THAT IF THEY'D THROWN A WELCOME HOME PARTY FOR HIM, HE WOULD HAVE DONE SOMETHING AS A TOKEN OF HIS APPRECIATION.



LUKE 4:21-30

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|                 | <b>This Week's Helpers (30 January)</b> | <b>Next Week's Helpers (6 February )</b> |
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| Preacher        | David Hall                              | Rev Wayne Huang                          |
| Keyboard        | Albert Ip                               | Rahil John                               |
| Projector       | Daniel Smart                            | Jed Stanton                              |
| Sound Desk      | Bob Corbett                             | Collin John-Francke                      |
| Reader          | Alison Stanton                          | Michelle Cao                             |
| Intercessor     | Mavis Haigh                             | Joan Rutherford                          |
| HC set up       | Alison Stanton                          | Alison Stanton                           |
| HC Serving team | Dick McDonald                           | Dick McDonald                            |
| Prayer ministry | N/A                                     | Joan Rutherford                          |
| Welcome Desk    | N/A                                     | Betty Curd                               |
| Ushers          | Trevor and Mavis Haigh                  | Derek and Liz Speer                      |
| Counters        | Trevor Haigh and Nessie Crawford        | Nessie Crawford, Derek Speer             |
| Morning Tea     | N/A                                     | TBA                                      |