

# Welcome



**It's great to have you with us today.**

If you would like to find out more about what happens around the place, please stop by the welcome desk after the service.

**Christ  
is risen  
He is risen  
indeed  
Alleluia !**



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**From the Priest-in-charge**

Dear Friends,

Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

This is the great cry which will ring out around the world on this Easter Day.

What does this mean for us as an 'Easter people'?

We began our Lenten journey with Jesus on Ash Wednesday. We followed Jesus as we accepted his invitation to take up our cross and follow him. We were with Jesus as he entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. On Holy Thursday Jesus bent low and washed our feet. On Good Friday Jesus gave his life for ours on the cross.

Having sat at the table with him and having stood at the cross with him, we can now stand at the empty tomb and proclaim, with Mary Magdalene, Jesus is risen! Death did not have the final word. Light has overcome darkness; new and everlasting life is offered to all people.

Today we are called to follow Mary's example, as the first witness to the resurrection, to go and tell others of the life-changing joy of knowing Christ in every aspect of our lives. We know that we can do this only to the extent that we have experienced the love of God in Christ. May we all continue to deepen our walk of faith, encouraging each other along the way.

And a special thank you from me to all who assisted with the extra services during Holy Week. As usual a brilliant team of volunteers who went the extra mile.

*May you be blessed richly this Easter Season*

*Adrienne*

**Easter Day**

**8am Liturgy page 476**

**Sermon:** Rev'd Adrienne Bruce

**Readings:** Isaiah 25:6-9; Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8

**Sentence for the day:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**Collect for the day:**

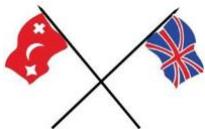
Alleluia! God of new beginnings,  
your resurrection brought darkness  
into the fullness of your light;  
shed that light into the dark places of our lives,  
that we may grasp the promise  
of eternity and live as your resurrection people, created, redeemed and  
empowered through you.

For you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# Remembering the Battle of Pukehinahina

Gate Pā

29th April at 4pm



The Anglican Parish of Gate Pā invites you to remember those who fought and died here the consequences of these military engagements for ngā iwi o Tauranga Moana;

and to offer prayers/karakia for the future of Tauranga  
Anglican Parish of Gate Pa. 1 Church St, Tauranga, 3116 07 578 7916.  
[www.staoraesgatepa.com](http://www.staoraesgatepa.com)

**Lay Training Days:** What is prayer, and how do we do it? What are some ways to pray in different contexts? Come and be inspired by ways to deepen your engagement with prayer and energise your ministry.

Who is this for?

All lay people are warmly invited to come and be part of this day.

For those people who hold a Lay Ministry Licence attendance is a requirement.

Anyone unable to attend should submit their apologies via the Bishop's PA [sandra.gifkins@waiapu.com](mailto:sandra.gifkins@waiapu.com) This session is intended for those with any type of lay licence.

Date & Venue: Friday 16th April at Holy Trinity 9.30 am to 1.00 pm

## The Reverend Nigel Dixon – Vicar-elect

Carolyn and I met in Palmerston North after I moved to the city from Christchurch to teach at PNBHS; we were married the following year. We have four adult children (aged 25, 28, 30 and 32) with two grandsons and an imminent arrival. I was asked to work for Christian Community Church in 1991, the church we had attended for seven years. I worked for the church seventeen years – first as associate pastor and then as senior leader. Over this time it grew to about 700 attending on a Sunday. I was given a sabbatical in 2000 and we went to Vancouver as a family for me to continue my

studies through Regent College (home of Eugene Peterson and Gordon Fee!). A challenging life altering experience for us as a family.

In my last year of leading CCC I went through burnout and a long period of depression. It was a slow recovery and a time of intense reflection and bewilderment. I felt I had to face how I had got lost/damaged as a leader – so did some upskilling and began a consulting/coaching



business called Vox Humana (you need to make a living!) and still do leadership coaching and development. I published a book called “Villages without walls” over this time.

After doing some training work for the Wellington Diocese I was ‘contracted’ part time to oversee ‘parish health and development’ – getting to see the Anglican church in an interesting and hope giving transition. It was curious helping priests lead, however, not being a ‘priest’ myself!

After seven years out of church leadership I took on two interregnum roles in Wellington and in Palmerston North (I was ordained during the second interregnum). I was asked to apply for the role of vicar after a really enjoyable year with the parish. It has been a privilege to lead there for six years, building the best team I have ever worked with, seeing people and congregations begin to flourish. I feel deep sadness to be leaving but am confident the momentum will continue.

On a personal level Carolyn and I enjoy walking, café-ing and doing all the family stuff together. We both feel that God is in this new adventure. Being an introvert practically all my interests are individual pursuits – cooking, gardening, reading and music (collecting and listening). We look forward to connecting with our new extended whanau.



**Please remember to keep scanning the QR code, turn on Bluetooth and wash your hands!**

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