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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



© Katsushika Hokusai: *The Great Wave off Kanagawa*

12th Sunday Ordinary time

23rd June 2024

Notes from Yukiko's Desk

Dear AGAC friends

Les and I attended the Diocesan Ministry Conference this week. Within the Diocese, a concern has been raised that the current structures impede our mission and ministry. In the light of this, this year's conference sought to provide a framework in which we can interrogate the issues and imagine the responses. I personally appreciated an opportunity to learn new perspectives and ways to do ministry. Some of them are quite innovative. If you are interested in what we learned, Les and I are happy to talk about it.

Talking about this Sunday, the gospel passage is on a familiar parable of "storm" in Mark 4:35-41. This might explain to you why "the *Great Wave off Kanagawa*," a *woodblock print* by Japanese artist *Hokusai* is chosen as a cover image for this newsletter. I am inviting you to pause and reflect on the art prayerfully.

Where is your attention drawn? It is God that is luring you to a treasure meant just for you. I look forward to sharing my reflection on the gospel passage through this art with you this Sunday.

In God's embrace,

Yukiko



What's on



Thanks to Mary and Stephanie's help, we were able to run the group without my presence. We have now 10 mums and their bubs! We are collecting the following things for the craft activity (to make scent sachets). If you have those, please drop off to the Church office.



- Herbs or spices
- Small fabric bags

Settler's Morning Tea:

Next meeting: Wednesday **17 July at 10 am** at Settler's

It was great to hear that there were 11 people who attended the meeting from both Holy Cross and St. Michael's.



Organ and Viola on Sunday 23rd

This Sunday, we welcome Karin and Stephanie, to play the music for our service at Holy Cross.

Stéphanie Thomas, originally from Switzerland, has been a member of St. Matthew's Chamber Orchestra as well as the Devenport Chamber Orchestra. She plays the viola for the various orchestras in Switzerland.



Karin Kikuno, originally from Japan, has graduated from a Graduate Diploma of Music, majoring in Classical Piano Performance at the University of Waikato in 2020 under the guidance of a New Zealand leading pianist /NZ chamber soloist Katherine Austin. Karin has also acquired NZ's teaching registration of secondary schools as a music teacher in 2021.



We pray for:

- The Auckland City Mission and Anglican Trust for Women and Children and other social service agencies as they gear up for their winter services.
- All the countries facing increasing political polarisation and vision.
- Our local community in Albany and Greenhithe
- Ken Taylor, who recently had a surgery, and his wife Dorothy.

This Week's Question

True or False: Ananias and Sapphira died after lying to the Apostles about their offering.

Readings

	<u>23rd June</u>	<u>30th June</u>
1 st Reading:	Job 38:1-11	Lam 3:23-33
Psalm	Ps 107:1-3, 23-32	Ps 30
2 nd Reading:	2 Cor 6:1-13	2 Cor 8:7-15
Gospel:	Mark 4:35-41	Mark 5:21-43

This week's summary:

- 1st
Reading: The book of Job is a profound reflection on God's purposes, and the human response to suffering and hope. This reading is a hymn of praise to the Creator God.
- 2nd
Reading: Paul's credentials as an apostle have been questioned by the Corinthians. He tells of the sacrifices he has endured to bring them the good news.
- Gospel: Jesus stills a storm while sailing with the disciples across the Sea of Galilee.

Sentence

Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

Mark 4:41

Collect of the Day

**Jesus, Saviour in storm,
when the waters of the deep are broken up,
when the landmarks are washed away or drowned,
come to us across the water.
Hear this prayer for your name's sake.
Amen.**

This Week's Service Songs

- Opening: Crown with many crowns
Gospel: Abide with me
Offertory: As the deer pants for the water
Recession: Great is thy faithfulness

Whakataukī

Ma whero ma pango ka oti ai te mahi –

With red and black the work will be Complete.

Every person brings their
different skills to the community
and together we build-up the
Kingdom of God.



Rosters

Holy Cross

	<u>23rd June</u>	<u>30th June</u>
Sacristan	Alison Coughlan	Dorothy Shultz
Welcomer	Ria Gormley	Trish Duncan
1 Readings	Christian	Patrick Harris
2 Readings	Linda Wells	Diana Harris
Presiding	Yukiko	Yukiko
Prayers	Rhona Stace	Beatrix Jones
TV Setup & Slides	InCheol Kim	Patrick & John
Morning Tea	Gary Wells	Karenne West
Flowers	Diana Harris	Ria Gormley

St Michaels

	<u>23rd June</u>	<u>30th June</u>
Welcomer& Prayers	Bruce Goertz	Bruce Goertz
Readings	Bruce Goertz	Brian Simpson
Presiding	Bruce Goertz	Yukiko

This Week's Answer:

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True.

Liturgical Colour:

Liturgical Colour for this week is;

Green

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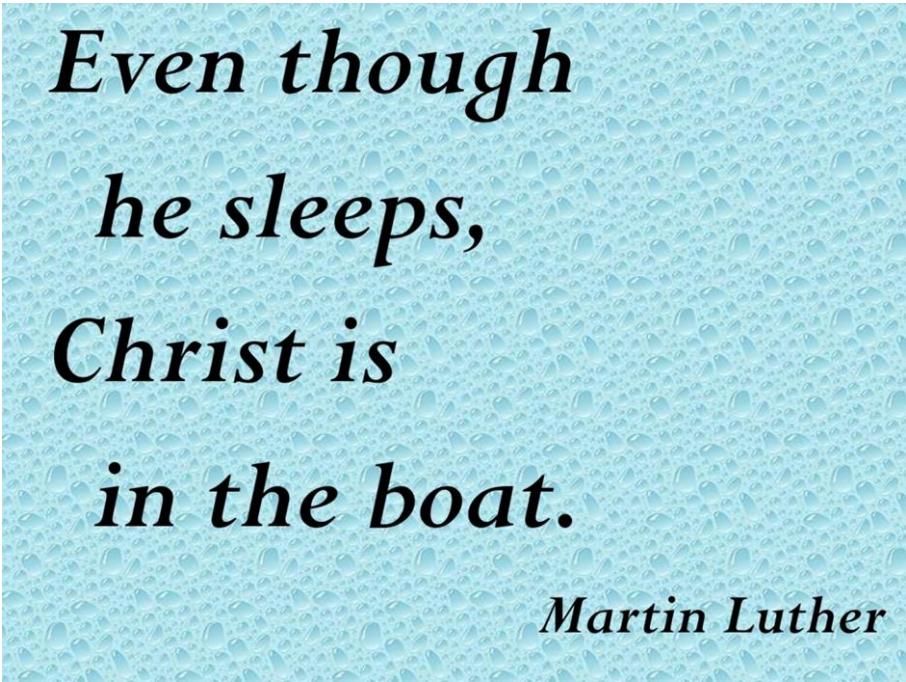
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Feedback welcome: If you have feedback on any aspect of our church activities, please do contact the wardens, Beatrix & Trish – contacts as above – or via the office at the email above.



*Even though
he sleeps,
Christ is
in the boat.*

Martin Luther