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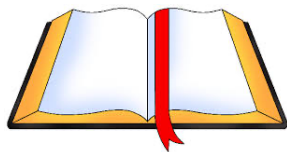
Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Isaiah 60:1

Collect

Exalted God,
you care for all who suffer,
remind us of our shared humanity,
move us with your compassion to the outcast and the lost.
May we never turn away from those in need,
but share with generosity and joy the love we have received.
For you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

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Readings

2 Kings 5:1-14
1 Corinthians 9:24-27
Mark 1:40-45

Prayers

This Sunday in the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Bishop Steve and Lorraine; and for our Archdeacon Keith Gover and Anne. This week we pray for the Parishes of Maniototo and Middelmarsh; and for the Christian World Service.

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All Saints' Church

The open door

Sixth Sunday of the Epiphany

14 February, 2021

It's hard not to talk about the weather. Last Saturday and Sunday we had the most spectacular weather. We had clear blue skies and sunshine. Then suddenly we found ourselves turned upside down and inside out as we received grey, sullen skies, howling gales and sideways rain. We saw a temperature drop of over ten degrees. Yet by this weekend it's all supposed to be back to summer temperatures once again.

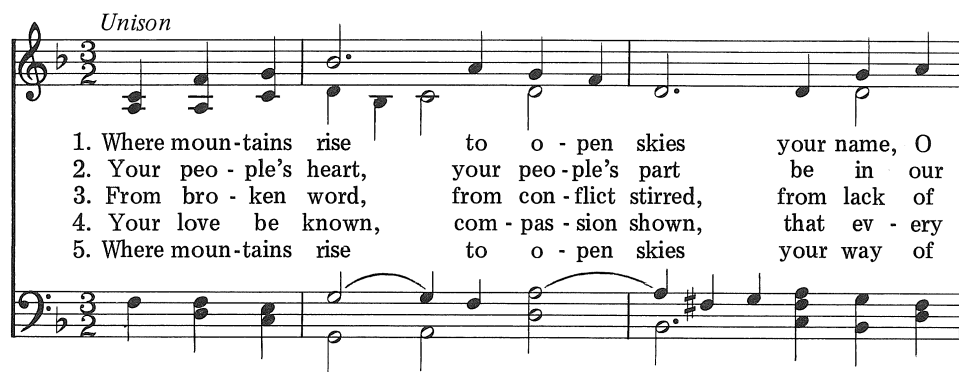
For me, this unpredictability pretty much sums up adult life - especially life with children in the house. One minute you think that everything is going along just fine and that you have a wonderful relationship with them. The next you are told that you don't know anything and everyone's in a foul mood. If our life is anything to go by, then I expect the disciples' life was equally confusing as they journeyed with Jesus. One minute they would be chatting away to him about prayer, or any number of different things, the next they would see him perform some miracle, such as the healing of the leper. At last, they must have thought, now he will announce himself as the Messiah and we can be free of these Roman oppressors. Instead he tells this healed man to keep it to himself and say nothing. The confusion among the disciples must have been huge. This would doubtless have been compounded when the cleansed man went about loudly proclaiming the gift he had received and Jesus did nothing to rebuke him. Where are Jesus' boundaries and what is his plan?

Just as with the weather, we can neither control it, nor do we know why it does what it does when it does it. Rather, we have to go along with it and make the best of every situation because there is no point in being upset by something just because we don't get to control it. We have to "Let Go and Let God." I pray that your week ahead may be a time of viewing how God is working in your life through whatever is happening for you, as we head into our season of Lent.

Yours in Christ, Richard.

32. Where Mountains Rise to Open Skies

Unison



1. Where moun-tains rise to o - pen skies your name, O
 2. Your peo - ple's heart, your peo - ple's part be in our
 3. From bro - ken word, from con - flict stirred, from lack of
 4. Your love be known, com - pas - sion shown, that ev - ery
 5. Where moun-tains rise to o - pen skies your way of



1. God, is ech - oed far, from is - land beach to kau - ri's
 2. car - ing for this land, for faith to flower, for a - ro -
 3. vi - sion, set us free to see the line of your de -
 4. child have e - qual scope: in jus - tice done, in trust be -
 5. peace dis - till the air, your spir - it bind all hu man -



1. reach, in wa - ter's light, in lake and star.
 2. ha to let each oth - er's ma - na stand.
 3. sign, to feel cre - a - tion's en - er - gy.
 4. gun shall be our her - i - tage and hope.
 5. kind, one cov - e - nant of life to share!

Calendar...

14 February Today
 Said Eucharist - 8.00am
 Holy Eucharist - 9.30am

16 February Tuesday
SHROVE TUESDAY
 Parish Prayers - 5.15pm
 Vestry Meeting - 7.30pm

17 February Wednesday
ASH WEDNESDAY
 Said Eucharist - 10.30am
 (with Imposition of Ashes)
 LHOP - 7.30pm

19 February Friday
 Rowena Jackson - 11.00am

21 February Sunday
 Said Eucharist - 8.00am
 Holy Eucharist - 9.30am

Roster

Ministries for **Today...**
 8.00am J Trotter
 9.30am Sidesperson
 S Pratt
 Worship Leader
 J French
 Chalice
 N Wyeth
 Readers
 D French
 D Horrell
 Morning Tea
 G Donaghy
 L Cruickshank

Ministries for **Next Sunday...**
 8.00am J Trotter
 9.30am Sidesperson
 Carter Family
 Worship Leader
 K Jones
 Chalice
 S Carter
 Readers
 P Cruickshank
 L Cruickshank
 Morning Tea
 M Gratton

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday falls on the 17th February this year. This is next Wednesday. We will hold an Imposition of Ashes during our morning service that Wednesday at 10.30am. All are welcome to attend.

Service at 9.30am: NZPB p. 404

Processional		Where Mountains Rise to Open Skies
Gradual	4	Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies
Offertory	318	'Tis Good Lord to be Here
Recessional	96	Bright the Vision that Delighted

Your organist this Sunday is: Peter de Blois