

Aaronic Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
And be gracious unto you
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
And give you peace.

Presentation to Sophia

Blessing Song: *You Will Always Be a Child In My Eyes*

Greeting One Another

Abby Smith helps us celebrate St Patricks Day

Notices and News – Roger – Giving; International Dinner – Serbia.

Offering Song: *Shine Jesus Shine*

Bible Reading: Luke 2:41-52

The Boy Jesus in the Temple *Good News Translation (GNT)*

Message

Time of Reflection - music *Fee Felicitas*

Prayers of the People

Closing Song: *How Can I Keep from Singing*

Blessing

L: May the Spirit of God, who is above all and in all and through all, fill you with the knowledge of God's presence in Earth and the saving power of Jesus Christ every day. Go in peace!

Amen! Amen Amen!

Stay for Baptism Cake with Karina and her Mum and Dad and family and Bread Rolls Brunch



O sing to the LORD a new song; all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens Ps 96 - selection

TODAY: The boy Jesus (12 years) with the Temple elders. For 3 days he listens and asks questions. Everyone was surprised at how much he knew and at the answers he gave. Lk 2 41-52



Our children are watching us. They have some questions not just about our wisdom but about our foolishness. Children around the world, including in Auckland, are asking how is it that we know so much and do so little?



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Welcome to Sunday Worship at St Heliers

Here everyone is part of "Reaching Out and Welcoming In"

A SPECIAL WELCOME to those of you who are visiting with us today.

Haere māi Welkom Bienvenida Croeso Bienvenu Sawat dii Sie sind uns
Hello こんにちは Здравствуйте! jederzeit willkommen Аупрл Olá Hola Giddy



We welcome the Bolland family: -

Hamish, Karina, Oliver, Alex, and now Sophia born in December 2018.

They have come for the Christening of their daughter and granddaughter; Sophia.

Jehan Bishara, Sophia's grandmother is here from Cairo and will return to Egypt this week. Sophia, on her Mother's side, comes for an Egyptian Coptic Orthodox tradition. We will honour that today.

WELCOME AMONG US!!!

Today is the first Sunday that Alli and Fee (Dr Almut Seebeck & Felicitas Weyer), begin their Music Ministry among us. Say hello to them, introduce yourself and find a way to be a part of the music life of this Church and Community Centre. We are fortunate to have Two professional musicians who love the church community and love music to work among us for a period of time.

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Sunday, March 17th 10 am
Community Worship - 2nd Sunday in Lent
Led by Rev Pauline & Rev Stan Stewart
Music led by Alli and Fee and St Heliers Band
Theme: From Boyhood to the Cross

Praise in Song: *He Reigns*
The Wonderful Cross

Welcome and Opening Comments

Hymn: *Now Thank We All Our God*

Prayer of Gathering

Heavenly Father, Thank you for making us members of your family – "children of God" and "heirs of heaven." May we feel your presence in this time of worship. Bless, guide and lead us in faith to open doors and to open our heart to the ministry of hospitality and friendship. Give us strength, vision and compassion as we work together to welcome those in need. May it be clear that we do this because of your love. May this service of Baptism of little Sophia touch our hearts and confirm our love of you and your purposes. We ask this in the name of Jesus Amen.

L: We light The Christ Candle

P: Christ is the Light of the World

Greeting from Fee and Alli

Youth Choir: *All things bright and beautiful*

Time with the children and young people - *being part of the great stories Story of Jesus in the Temple*

Song: *Be still for the presence of the Lord* - Led by Ali and Fee

Blessing of Sophia Bolland

Peoples Promise: (Please stand)

L: I ask you, the people who make up the church gathered here this morning, to pray for Hamish and Karina as they undertake the task of parenting Sophia. If this is your commitment, will you please say with me:

P: Hamish, Karina, Oliver, Alex and Sophia, we will pray for you as a family today, and in the future. God helping us, we intend to provide an extended Christian family in which you will be loved, nurtured and valued. May God bless you and make you a blessing too many.