

*Welcome! Haere mai!*

## **St John's Anglican Church, Ōtūmoetai**



**Sunday 24 August 2025**

*Liturgy: p.404*

*OT 21*

*Psalm 103: 1-8*

### *Greetings:*

Thank you for the many wishes of support and condolence regarding my Dad's passing. My family have been overwhelmed by the great outpouring of good wishes and prayers over the last week or so. Thank you. Dad died very peacefully just before I arrived, but he's been waiting ever since Mum died seven years ago, so he is at peace at last. We had many friends and family make the journey from all over the country and it was a lovely time together honouring one of life's real gentlemen. Yes, he was also a charmer with a great sense of humour, but he was always happiest just sitting on the fringe, being present to rather than in the middle of whatever was going on. A lovely man who will be missed.

On the other hand, I am looking forward to getting back to work. I still have something of a residual cough but am not infectious any longer and I'm taking fewer drugs to get by in the day. So *all is well, all will be well ... all manner of things will be well.*

Grace and peace, *Tony*

## **WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY: 24 August 2025**

### **Sentence:**

You, O Lord are my hope, my trust from my youth.

Upon You have I leaned since my birth.

*Psalms 7:5-6*

### **Collect:**

**Universal and unchanging God, we are unalterably one with all humanity. Grant that we who share Christ's blood may, through Your unifying Spirit, break down the walls that divide us. Hear this prayer for Your love's sake. Amen.**

**OT Reading**     *Isaiah 58:9b-14*

**NT Reading**     *Hebrews 12:18-29*

**Gospel**             *Luke 13: 10-17*

### **Prayers of the People**

Today we pray for the Ontong Java Resilience Project and for the people of the Taupō Parish and their clergy.

We pray also for those in need, especially those who have asked for our prayers: Craig, Viv, Hazel, Lynda, Lawrence.

### **Projector Screen**

Our projector screen in the lounge has a large crease in it making it unusable as it is. Does anyone have experience with repairing these or would anyone happen to have a projector screen they no longer require? If your answer is yes, please contact Erica.

### **This Week Beginning: 25 August**

**Wednesday** 10.00 am Mid-week Communion

2.00 pm SAYGO in the hall

**Thursday** 7.00 pm Vestry meeting

**Op Shop** 10.00 am - 4.00 pm Monday to Friday

10.00 am - 1.00 pm Saturday

**Playgroup** 9.30 - 11.30 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

**Toy Library** 9.30 - 11.30 am Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

### **Service for Sunday 31 August -**

9.30 am Holy Communion

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