

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER C

ENGLISH TEXT: C E V.

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### TUHITUHI TAPU TUATAHI

Ngā Mahi 15<sup>1-2,22-29</sup>

Some people came from Judea and started teaching the Lord's followers that they could not be saved unless they were circumcised, as Moses had taught. This caused trouble, and Paul and Barnabas argued with them about this teaching so it was decided to send Paul and Barnabas and a few others to Jerusalem to discuss this problem with the apostles and church leaders. The apostles, the leaders, and all the church members decided to send some men to Antioch along with Paul and Barnabas. They chose Silas and Judas Barsabbas, who were two leaders of the Lord's followers. They wrote a letter that said: We apostles and leaders send friendly greetings to all of you Gentiles who are followers of the Lord in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We have heard that some people from here have terribly upset you by what they said. But we did not send them! So we met together and decided to choose some men and to send them to you along with our good friends Barnabas and Paul. These men have risked their lives for our Lord Jesus Christ. We are also sending Judas and Silas, who will tell you in person the same things that we are writing. The Holy Spirit has shown us that we should not place any extra burden on you. But you should not eat anything offered to idols, you should not eat any meat that still has the blood in it or any meat of an animal that has been strangled. You must not commit any terrible sexual sins. If you follow these instructions you will do well. Ko te kupu a te Ariki.

**Whakamoemiti ki te Atua.**

### WAIATA WHAKAUTU 66 / 67

*Wā. Kia whakamoemiti ngā iwi katoa ki ā koe, e te Atua.*

*Let the peoples praise you O God.*

Our God be kind and bless us! Be pleased and smile. Then everyone on earth will learn to follow you, and all nations will see your power to save. *Wā. Kia whakamoemiti ...*

Let the nations celebrate with joyful songs, because you judge fairly and guide all nations. Make everyone praise you and shout your praises. *Wā. Kia whakamoemiti ....*

Our God has blessed the earth with a wonderful harvest! Pray for his blessings to continue and for everyone on earth to worship our God. *Wā. Kia whakamoemiti ...*

### TUHITUHI TAPU TUARUA

Whakakitenga 21<sup>10-14,22-23</sup>

Then with the help of the Spirit, the angel took me to the top of a very high mountain. There he showed me the holy city of Jerusalem coming down from God in heaven. The glory of God made the city bright. It was dazzling and crystal clear like a precious jasmine stone. The city had a high and thick wall with twelve gates, and each of them was guarded by an angel. On each of the gates was written the name of one of the twelve tribes of Israel. Three of these gates were on the east, three were on the north, three more were on the south, and the three other gates were on the west. The city was built on twelve foundation stones. On each of the stones was written the name of one of the Lamb's twelve apostles. I did not see a temple there. The Lord God-All-Powerful and the Lamb were its temple. And the city did not need the sun or the moon. The glory of God was shining on it, and the Lamb was its light. Ko te kupu a te Ariki. **Whakamoemiti ki te Atua.**

*Arerua: Ka mea a Hēhu - Ki te aroha tētahi ki ahau, e puritia e ia taku kupu, ä, ka arohaina ia e töku Matua, ka haere atu mäua ki ä ia, ka pūmau to mäua noho ki ä ia.*

### RONGO PAI Hoane 14<sup>23-29</sup>

Ka whakahokia e Hēhu, ka mea ki ngā ākonga: Ki te aroha tētahi ki a au, e puritia e ia taku kupu, ä, ka arohaina ia e töku Matua, ka haere atu mäua ki ä ia, ka pūmau to mäua noho ki ä ia. Te tangata kähore e aroha ki a au, ekore e puritia e ia äku kupu. Na, te kupu i rongu nei koutou, ehara i a au ake, engari nä te Matua nāna nei ahau i tono mai. Kua körerotia nei e ahau ēnei mea ki a koutou, i a au e noho nei i a koutou. Na, te Kaiwhakamārie, te Wairua Tapu, e tonoa mai e te Matua i runga i töku ingoa, mäna

koutou e whakaako ki ngā mea katoa, māna koutou e whakamahara ki ngā mea katoa i körerotia e ahau ki a koutou. Ko te rangimārie tāku e waiho nei ki a koutou, ko taku rangimārie, tāku e hoatu nei ki a koutou: ekore e rite ki tā te ao hoatutanga, tāku hoatutanga ki a koutou Kei raruraru ö koutou ngākau, kei matakū hoki. Kua rongō koutou ki tāku i mea ai ki a koutou. E haere ana ahau, ä, ka hoki mai anö ki a koutou: me i aroha koutou ki a au, kua hari koutou möku ka haere ki te Matua; e nui ana hoki te Matua i a au. Na, kua körero nei ahau ki a koutou, i te mea kähore anö i puta noa, he mea kia whakapono ai koutou, ina puta mai.” Ko te Rongō Pai a te Ariki. **Kia whakanuia ...**

**GOSPEL** John 14<sup>23-29</sup>

Jesus said to his disciples: If anyone loves me, they will obey me. Then my Father will love them and we will come to them and live in them. But anyone who doesn't love me, won't obey me. What they have heard me say doesn't really come from me, but from my Father who sent me. I have told you these things while I am still with you. But the Holy Spirit will come and help you, because the Father will send the Spirit to take my place. The Spirit will teach you everything and will remind you of what I said while I was with you. I give you peace, the kind of peace that only I can give. It isn't like the peace that this world can give. So don't be worried or afraid. You have already heard me say that I am going back to the Father, because he is greater than I am. I am telling you this before I leave, so that when it does happen, you will have faith in me.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**