

## PRAYERS

*Do not be afraid, land of Judah; be glad and rejoice.  
Surely the Lord has done great things! (Joel 2:21)*

Heavenly Father, we worship and praise your holy name, and we give thanks for your wonderful plan of salvation. Everything good and perfect comes from you, our Father of light.

Thank you, Father, for the miracle of new life that you have blessed some parents with at NHA. We pray for health, strength and protection for these new babies, and for the mothers (and fathers) throughout the pregnancies. Please watch over these babies as they develop. May they grow strong and perfect, and may they always know you as their Father, and Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. Lord in your mercy – **hear our prayers!**

Father God, we pray for your world today. We pray for peace, comfort, hope and salvation for the many people who are troubled by natural disasters, persecution, and war. In challenging times, help us all to turn to you as our source of strength and hope. Merciful Lord, we specifically pray for the people whose lives have been devastated by the rain and flooding in Rwanda. We pray for enough money, equipment, supplies, food and water to provide for their immediate needs. Please, Father, in your love and mercy, bring comfort, protection, courage and strength to these people, and to all those working to help. May our response to their suffering be generous and bring you praise. Lord in your mercy – **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, we lift the church weekend at The Northern Outlook on 17 and 18 June to you. Please bless this time of fellowship as we spend it together in your amazing creation. We pray that the church service on that Sunday is well attended. Please keep us safe, and help us to learn more about you, and about each other.

Father God, many of us need healing: healing for past hurts, physical healing for illnesses or for our frail bodies, and spiritual healing for various reasons. Please show us your healing power, Father. We specifically pray for healing, comfort, wisdom and peace for Avril, Christine, Sandee, Stephen and David, and others who are either suffering, unwell or facing difficulties. May they find their strength and guidance at all times in your Holy Spirit. Lord in your mercy – **hear our prayers.**

*Even on my servants, both men and women,  
I will pour out my Spirit in those days. (Joel 2:29)*

# Northern Hope Anglican Church

21 May 2023

Established 8 January 2023 (Eisteddfod Hall, Sundays at 9am)

*Empowered by the Spirit, we are to make disciples of Jesus,  
to the glory of God the Father*

- † **The Northern Outlook:** We're having a church family get-together on Saturday & Sunday, 17th & 18th June. Woohoo! Activities and dinner planned for Saturday followed by our formal service at 9am on Sunday. Redlynch Intake Road, Redlynch, on the way to the valley. Don't miss it!
- † **National Day of Prayer and Fasting:** Saturday 3rd June, 11am - 5pm, Salvation Army Church, Manunda.
- † **Northern Hope Directory:** Out now - we hope your details are correct!
- † **Northern Hope Information pack:** Also, out today - Chinese and Australian version packs available.
- † **Bible Readings:** Joel 2:18-29, p1383 and John 2:1-12, p1613

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# NORTHERN HOPE

## ANGLICAN CHURCH

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**John 2:1-12** (NIV2011) page 1613

<sup>1</sup> On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, <sup>2</sup> and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.'

<sup>4</sup> 'Woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.'

<sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

<sup>6</sup> Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim.

<sup>8</sup> Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.'

They did so, <sup>9</sup> and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside <sup>10</sup> and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.'

<sup>11</sup> What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

<sup>12</sup> After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother and brothers and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days.



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## SERMON OUTLINE

John 2:1-12

Water into wine

† *We see here, that those closest to Jesus*

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† *We see here, that Jesus can do*

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† *We see here, that Jesus is*

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