

St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

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SERVICE DETAILS

Services cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19

Sunday 8am: Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer – 1st Sunday of the month)

Sunday 10am: Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 10am: Said Eucharist

PARISH EVENTS

Morning Tea: After the 10am service every Sunday

Please see pew sheet notices for dates regarding Parish Lunches and Breakfasts

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Sunday 14 June 2020

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153 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

THE HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Introit Hymn: 28 AHB

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation;
All ye who hear,
Brothers and sisters draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen
How thy heart's longings have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
Ponder anew
All the Almighty can do
Who with his love doth befriend thee.
4. Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth his light,
Chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with his mercy surrounding.
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for ay we adore him.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Words: Joachim Neander 1650-80
tr Catherine Winkworth 1827-78 and others
The Australian Hymn Book

The priest greets the people

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sentence of Scripture

The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ask therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.

Matthew 9:37-38

Prayer of Preparation

[Let us pray.]

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The two Great Commandments

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Silence may be kept

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:**

**we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution. The priest says

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

'Lord, have mercy' (Kyrie eleison)

Lord, have mercy; **Christ, have mercy;** Lord, have mercy.

The Hymn of Praise, Gloria in excelsis.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

All-powerful God,
in Jesus Christ you turned death into life,
and defeat into victory:
increase our faith and trust in him,
that we may triumph over evil,
in the strength of the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on – since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?' The Lord said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

Genesis 18.1-15

Hear the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116.1-2, 11-18 (said antiphonally)

1. I love the Lord, because he heard my voice:
the voice of my supplication;
2. **Because he inclined his ear to me:
in the day that I called to him.**
11. How shall I repay the Lord:
for all his benefits to me?
12. **I will take up the cup of salvation:
and call upon the name of the Lord.**
13. I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people.
14. **Grievous in the sight of the Lord:
is the death of his faithful ones.**
15. O Lord, I am your servant,
your servant and the child of your handmaid:
you have unloosed my bonds.
16. **I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving:
and call upon the name of the Lord.**
17. I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people,
18. **In the courts of the house of the Lord:
even in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.**

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God.

For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Romans 5.1-11

Hear the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.
To those who accepted him, he gave power to become children of God.
Alleluia!

The Gospel Reading

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew
chapter 9 beginning at verse 35
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.' Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

For the Gospel of the Lord,
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Silence may follow

The Nicene Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

**We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The priest says

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Jesus, friend of all the world, you have compassion on all who come to you for help; hear the prayers we bring for your people.

We pray for the nations of the world:
for your people who daily face conflict and oppression;
for those who live in poverty and deprivation;
for leaders of nations, for all who govern
and for those who administer the law.

Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,
that we may work for a world of righteousness and peace.

Jesus, friend of the helpless, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for your worldwide church:
for the leaders of churches and ecumenical councils;
for missionaries, evangelists and chaplains;
and for all who work to bring your gospel to others.

Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,
that we may help to proclaim to the world the good news of your reign.

Jesus, friend of sinners, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for our community and for all whom we love:
for those without food and those with nowhere to live;
for those without work and those with too little rest;
for civic authorities, welfare agencies and service clubs.

Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,
that we may work to create a more just and compassionate society.

Jesus, friend of the outcast, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are in trouble or distress:

for those without the support of friends or family;
for the sick and the dying and for those who mourn;
for medical staff and pastoral workers
and for all who care for the suffering.

Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,
that we may bring comfort to the sad, healing to the sick
and new hope to those in despair.

Jesus, friend of the needy, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died in the faith.

We give thanks for your martyrs and missionaries, evangelists and teachers;
for those of every generation who have laboured
faithfully to bring in your harvest;
for those who have been the community of faith in this place.

Equip us for your service, that we also may labour for you,
and bring us home, with all the saints,
to share in the glory of your everlasting reign.

Jesus, friend and intercessor, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The prayers may conclude with

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

All stand. The Greeting of Peace is introduced

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The priest says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace

Offertory Hymn: 500 AHB

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down
Your head upon my breast.'
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary and worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
And he has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live.'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched,
my soul revived,
And now I live in him.
3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's Light;
Look unto me, your morn shall
rise,
And all your day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In him my Star, my Sun;
And in that Light of life I'll walk
Till travelling days are done.

Words: Horatius Bonar 1808-89
The Australian Hymn Book

The gifts of the people having been brought to the Altar:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Trinity of grace and love, we thank and praise you,
for you purposed before the foundation of the world
to open your dance of delight to include even us,

and you shaped your very life
to incorporate us in your dance for ever.

While we were yet sinners,

Christ not only came among us but died at our hands.

In the glory of his resurrection he called ones like us to be his apostles and
spread the good news of his mercy to all the world.

And so with apostles and saints and angels
and every creature in whose heart your song is sung,
we join our voices in your eternal praise

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Abiding God,

in three visitors you appeared to Abraham in the heat of the day,
and before him you broke bread
and made your glorious purpose known.

Come among your people today, that in the sharing of food
we be made bearers of your covenant of grace.

Send your Holy Spirit

on the bread that we break and the cup that we share,
that they may be for us
the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Sustaining God, as your servant Paul

and his Lord Christ before him suffered and endured,
strengthen your church and hasten your kingdom
through the witness of your people under persecution.

When your children are oppressed, give them courage to endure.

When they find strength to endure,
produce in them character to reflect your truth.

When they develop character,
manifest in them the hope of your deliverance.

When they grow in hope, do not disappoint them,
but roll down justice like a never-failing stream,
until that day when a new heaven and a new earth engulf
the longings of your aching people,
God of eternity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours

now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We who are many are one body in Christ,

for we all share in the one bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The invitation to receive Holy Communion

Behold what you are, become what you receive.
The body of Christ.

The sacrament is given with the following words, after which the communicant responds Amen

The body of Christ. **Amen.**
The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The priest says

Gracious God,
we thank you that in this sacrament
you assure us of your goodness and love.
Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving
and help us to grow in love and obedience
that we may serve you in the world
and finally be brought to that table
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

Father,
**we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Dismissal Hymn: 557 AHB

1. Lord of creation, to you be all praise!
Most mighty your working, most wondrous your ways!
Your glory and might are beyond us to tell,
And yet in the heart of the humble you dwell.
2. Lord of all power, I give you my will,
In joyful obedience your tasks to fulfil.
Your bondage is freedom; your service is song;
And, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.

3. Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind,
Rich truth that surpasses our knowledge to find;
What eye has not seen and what ear has not heard
Is taught by your Spirit and shines from your word.
4. Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart;
I praise and adore you for all you impart,
Your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide,
Your presence to shield me, whatever betide.
5. Lord of all being, I give you my all;
If ever I leave you, I stumble and fall;
But, led in your service your word to obey,
I'll walk in your freedom to the end of the way.

The priest says

The peace of God which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of the one true God,
to whom be all love and all glory for time and for eternity,
come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The priest or deacon says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher
Canterbury Press, 2016

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE WEEK

Happy Birthday!

Priscilla van Reesema – 18 June



† Year's Mind



Thomas Wasley – 18 June; Aileen Patrick – 18 June