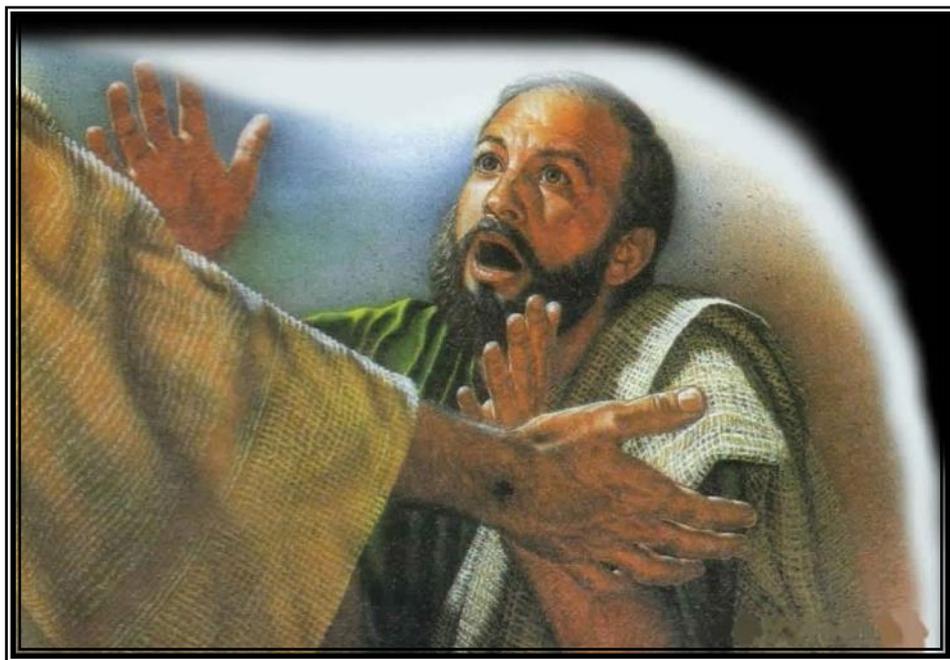




# HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH WILLIAMSTOWN

**19 April 2020**

**Second Sunday of Easter**



*On behalf of everyone at Holy Trinity, a warm welcome to this community, a faithful Christian presence in Williamstown since 1854. Holy Trinity welcomes everyone to all services and events, regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, race or background. Thank you for being part of our worship today.*

*A video of this worship service will be available on the parish YouTube channel from Sunday morning, links are on our website under 'Services'. Directions for joining us for morning tea via Zoom are available in this pew sheet.*

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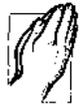
## REFLECTION

Easter happened! Despite not being able to gather in person, faithful Christians around the world found ways to proclaim the good news that Christ is risen. Alleluia! And Easter isn't over yet. We have 40 days of Easter until the feast of the Ascension because the risen Jesus Christ spent that time on earth, appearing to the disciples, getting them ready for what would come next, the "new normal". Then 10 more days until the feast of Pentecost and the celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the open-ended nature of the covid-19 response measures, I pray that the structure of the church year may help at this time. Blessings for this Easter season as you continue the spiritual and prayer routines that sustain you as followers of the risen Christ.

Rev Elizabeth



## PARISH PRAYER POINTS



### For the Church:

- Pray for the Church of Ireland;
- Ministry to the Defence Force
- Hospital Chaplaincy

### We pray for

- Parish of Oakleigh -Holy Trinity & Emmanuel

### In our Community:

As part of our regular cycle of prayer, we pray for Gordon and Robyn Barrett, Simon Bradwell, Ingrid Dodd, Laurie English, Betty Hall, Joanne Hall, Delia Paul and Laurence Gray, Doreen Reynolds, Saron Zeron.

We pray for those who are suffering or unwell at this time, including: Gordon and Audrey Beal, Ron and Joan Bates, Anne Mulholland, Helen, George Hodges, Heather Jobling, Bryan Matty, Laurie McLay, Robert Mander, May Kofoed, Diane Robinson, Ian Stewart, Marjorie Todd, Carol Williams.

*We acknowledge that our church is on the sovereign lands of the Yalukit Willum of the Kulin Nation. We pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.*

## **AN INVITATION TO WORSHIP AND REFLECTION**

If safe to do so, you are invited to light a candle as you enter into this time of prayer and reflection that you have set aside as sacred.

Hymn: TiS 517: Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus

1.  
Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
hallelujah! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
hark, the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
'Jesus out of every nation  
has redeemed us by his blood.'

2.  
Hallelujah! not as orphans,  
are we left in sorrow now;  
hallelujah! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how;  
though the cloud from sight  
received him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his  
promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

3.  
Hallelujah! bread of heaven,  
and on earth our food, our stay;  
hallelujah! here the sinful  
flee to you from day to day;  
intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, plead for me  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

4.  
Hallelujah! King eternal,  
you the Lord of lords we own;  
hallelujah! born of Mary,  
earth your footstool,  
heav'n your throne:  
you within the veil have entered,  
robed in flesh, our great high  
priest;  
you on earth both priest and  
victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

*William Chatterton Dix 1837–98*

## **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Christ is risen. Alleluia. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## **THE SENTENCE**

*'Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.* *1 Peter 1:3*

## **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**

## **CONFESSION**

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

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.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to God 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**

## **KYRIE ELEISON**

Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

Christ have mercy **Christ have mercy**

Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

## **GLORIA**

**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**

## **COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt: may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## **MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**The First Reading:** Acts 2:14a, 22-32

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

## **Psalm 16**

<sup>1</sup> Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

<sup>2</sup> I say to the LORD, 'You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.'

<sup>3</sup> As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,  
in whom is all my delight.

<sup>4</sup> Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

- <sup>5</sup> The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.  
<sup>6</sup> The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
I have a goodly heritage.  
<sup>7</sup> I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart  
instructs me.  
<sup>8</sup> I keep the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.  
<sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;  
my body also rests secure.  
<sup>10</sup> For you do not give me up to Sheol,  
or let your faithful one see the Pit.  
<sup>11</sup> You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

**The Second Reading:** 1 Peter 1: 1-12

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood: May grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that was to be yours made careful search and inquiry, inquiring about the person or time that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated, when it testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the subsequent glory. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look! For the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

## **THE GOSPEL** according to Saint John 20: 19-31

### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

## **THE SERMON**

Rev Elizabeth Murray

*A time of silence is kept*

## **THE CREED**

**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**

*The response to each is usually* **Hear our prayer.**

*The time of prayer concludes 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**

**We are the body of Christ.**

**His spirit is with us.**

**The peace of the Lord be always with you.**

**And also with you.**

**Blessed are you, Lord 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.**

*The prayer continues*

... for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

*The prayer continues*

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer continues*

... in songs of never ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. 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**

As this bread was once many grains which have been gathered together and made on bread, **so may your church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

**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.**

All who repent of their sins, trust in Christ, and celebrate his saving work with grateful thanks, truly eat and drink the body and blood of Christ.

*The priest consumes the bread and wine of the Holy Communion on behalf of the community of faith.*

The body of Christ the bread of heaven keep us in eternal life. Amen.  
The blood of Christ the cup of salvation keep us in eternal life. Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Loving God, **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.**

### **BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*The priest gives the blessing, to which the response is ... Amen.*

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

# PARISH NEWS

***Happy Birthday to  
Pauline Whittaker for Thursday.***



## **MORNING TEA**

A virtual morning tea and time of fellowship is booked for 11am each Sunday until the end of May. Please follow the link below to join in:

Join Zoom Meeting [https://zoom.us/j/630446725?  
pwd=clJqeFhVaitBbig0YVZlSszZGL0RmZz09](https://zoom.us/j/630446725?pwd=clJqeFhVaitBbig0YVZlSszZGL0RmZz09)

Meeting ID: 630 446 725      Password: 962018  
For assistance please call Tom Verghese on 0419 999 292

These morning teas are scheduled for some weeks to come so once you've set up the link you will only need to re enter the password each week to enter the Zoom morning tea again.

## **READINGS AND INTERCESSIONS**

Would you like to contribute to our online services? We are seeking parishioners willing to record themselves reading or praying through the intercessions each week and make these part of the online service. This will be a voice recording rather than a video.

If you are interested in being involved please contact Judy on 0434250411 or email [office@htw.org.au](mailto:office@htw.org.au)

Elizabeth can assist you to record in the church on a Thursday prior to the service if you don't have the technology to make a recording at home.

## THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

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**NOTE:** The Parish Office will NOT be open for the foreseeable future

### Wardens:

Sally Burt ..... 0402 332 844  
Tom Verghese ..... 0419 999 292

### Honorary Lay Minister to Men:

Scott Phillips..... 0411 751 755

### Treasurer:

Laurence Gray ..... 0431 322 490

### Bookkeeper:

Ian Stewart ..... 0438 070 439

### Parish Council Secretary:

Judy White ..... 0434 250 411

### Administration:

Judy White ..... 0434 250 411

### Pastoral Care:

Janice Schmidt..... 0409 180 144

### Baptism Arrangements:

Parish Office, Wed & Fri 9 - 4 9397 5330

### Weddings:

Judy White, Parish Office  
Wed/Fri 9397 5330

### The Pilot - Parish Journal:

Judy White ..... 0434 250 411

### Community Lunch Programme :

**(Mon & Fri 10 - 1 pm):**

Wilma Robarts:..... 0409 862 292

Christine Hurwood..... 0428 589 092

### HTW/Anglicare Emergency Relief

### Partnership:

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Craig Douglass..... 0425 774 307

John Rivers..... 0473 029 187

### Women of Holy Trinity:

Liz White ..... 0407 850 501

Neralie Hoadley

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Carol Huren..... 0410 476 607

### Ada Cambridge Book Group:

Wilma Robarts..... 0409 862 292

### Tapestry Group:

Joan Crook..... 9393 9478

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### Synod representatives:

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## HOLY TRINITY PASTORAL CARE

The Parish is divided into zones to cover the wide areas of pastoral care. For those living in the **Village**, your team representative is

**Christa Fatouros : 03 9393 9317**

**Nursing Homes: Rev Elizabeth Murray**

**Williamstown Central: Valerie Dripps 0412 372 524,**

**Victoria St/Hannan St areas: Ann Hodges 0417 581 662**

**Newport/The Strand: Janice Schmidt 0409 180 144,**

**Yarraville: Pamela McFadyen 0412 280 233**

**Pt Cook/Altona Meadows: the Rev'd Margaret Burt: 0432 711 336.**

If you are in need or know of someone who needs help, please contact either the above person in your area or call Judy 0434 250 411.