



HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH WILLIAMSTOWN

9 August 2020 **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost** **Service of the Word**



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, 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

With stage 4 restrictions and curfews announced in Melbourne, we've entered a new phase in living with the covid-19 virus. The morning tea conversation by Zoom last Sunday included discussion of the ways people are staying positive and seeing kindness in the world. Everyone has to do what is right for them of course, but please do find ways of keeping your spirits up. If you need help, do reach out, whether to us at HTW, help lines like Beyond Blue, or your own support network.

The blessing of God be on us all in these challenging times.

Rev. Elizabeth

PS: Amidst all of this, it is my pleasure to welcome The Reverend Emily Payne as our guest preacher for this Sunday. Rev. Emily has ministered across Melbourne Diocese and has been selected as the next Vicar of the Anglican Parish of Northern Albury.

PARISH PRAYER POINTS



For the Church:

- Pray for the Anglican Church of Rwanda
- Diocese of Wangaratta
- Ridley College

We pray for the parishes of St James Dandenong, St Stephens Bayswater, Christchurch Lancefield with St Paul's Romsey

In our Community:

As part of our regular cycle of prayer, we pray for Christine Hurwood, Heather and Michael Jobling, Marjorie Todd, Jane van Tooren, Alison, Tom, Rajesh and Jemma Verghese, Marilyn and John Whittington

We pray for those who are suffering or unwell at this time, including: Gordon and Audrey Beal, Ron and Joan Bates, Emilie Diopol, Barbara and Brett Hingston, Anne Mulholland, Helen, Heather Jobling, Bryan Matty, Laurie McLay, Robert Mander, May Kofoed, Diane Robinson, Marjorie Todd, Carol Williams and Sue Wragg.

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 138 Eternal Father strong to save

1.
Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm hast bound the
restless wave,
who bidst the mighty ocean
deep
its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea
2.
O Christ, whose voice the
waters heard
and hushed their raging at thy
word,
who walkedst on the foaming
deep,
and calm amid the storm didst
keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.
3.
O Holy Spirit, who didst brood
upon the waters dark and rude,
and bid their angry tumult
cease,
and give for wild confusion,
peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.
4.
O Trinity of love and power,
our people shield in danger's hour
from rock and tempest, fire and
foe,
guard them wherever they may
go:
thus evermore shall rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land
and sea.

William Whiting 1825–78 *alt.*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

They cried out in fear, but Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid. Mathew 14:26-27

Open our lips, O Lord,
and we shall declare your praise.
This is the day that the Lord has made,
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Friends in Christ, we come together to meet with God, and to take our part in the building up of God's Church. We will lift up our hearts in thanks and praise, hear from God's holy word, and pray for this world, and for ourselves. The Bible tells us to approach God confidently, through our Lord Jesus Christ. As we do so, we must confess our sins, seeking forgiveness through God's boundless goodness and mercy.

CONFESSION

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against him, and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by following his laws which he set before us.

Daniel 9.9–10

So let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence, and pray together,

God of all mercy, we humbly admit that we need your help. We have wandered from your way. We have sinned in thought, word and deed, and have failed to do what is right. You alone can save us. Have mercy on us, wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others. Bring forth in us the fruit of your Spirit that we may live the new life to your glory. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen

God desires that none should perish, but that all should turn to Christ, and live. In response to God's call we acknowledge our sins. God pardons those who humbly repent, and truly believe the gospel. Therefore we have peace with God, through Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8.38–39

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

His steadfast love endures for ever!

Grace and peace be with you

and also with you.

Come, let us sing to the Lord,

shout to the rock of our salvation.

Serve the Lord with gladness,
come before his face with songs of joy.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Heavenly God, give us wisdom and understanding. As we listen to your Word may we know you better, love you more, and learn to please you in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 read Laurence Gray

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, 'Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.' He answered, 'Here I am.' So he said to him, 'Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me.' So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, 'What are you seeking?' 'I am seeking my brothers,' he said; 'tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.' The man said, 'They have gone away, for I heard them say, "Let us go to Dothan." ' So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, 'Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.' But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, 'Let us not take his life.' Reuben said to them, 'Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him'—that

he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, 'What profit is there if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.' And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Hear the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22

- ¹ O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- ² Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
- ³ Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- ⁴ Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually.
- ⁵ Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered,
- ⁶ O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.
- ¹⁶ When he summoned famine against the land,
and broke every staff of bread,
- ¹⁷ he had sent a man ahead of them,
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
- ¹⁸ His feet were hurt with fetters,
his neck was put in a collar of iron;
- ¹⁹ until what he had said came to pass,

the word of the LORD kept testing him.
²⁰ The king sent and released him;
the ruler of the peoples set him free.
²¹ He made him lord of his house,
and ruler of all his possessions,
²² to instruct his officials at his pleasure,
and to teach his elders wisdom.

The Second Reading: Romans 10:4-15 by Warren Madsen

For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Hear the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

THE GOSPEL according to Saint Matthew 14: 22-36

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'

Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret. After the people of that place recognized him, they sent word throughout the region and brought all who were sick to him, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

THE SERMON

Reverend Emily Payne

A time of silence is kept

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us join together in the prayer which Jesus gave us.

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 for ever. Amen.

Be exalted, Lord, above the heavens,
let your glory cover the earth.

Keep our nation under your care,
and guide us in justice and truth.

Let your way be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

Send out your light and your truth,
that we may tell of your saving works.
Have mercy on the poor and oppressed.
Hear the cry of those in need.
Hear our prayers, O Lord,
for we put our trust in you.

THE COLLECT

Mighty God and ruler of all creation, give new strength to our faith, that we may recognise your presence even when all hope seems lost. Help us to face all trials with serenity as we walk with Christ through the stormy seas of life and come at the last to your eternal peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

THE PRAYERS

led by Wilma Robarts

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 SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Lord Jesus Christ, **send us out with confidence in your word to tell the world of your saving acts, and bring glory to your name. Amen.**

May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen

PARISH NEWS

Happy Birthday to
Mark Skurrie for Wednesday

Ron Bates and Jewel Lobbe for Thursday



MORNING TEA

THIS IS A NEW LINK FOR THE WEEKLY ZOOM MORNING TEAS UNTIL AUGUST

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

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81790762206?
pwd=VXFYMTI5M0ZUM0VvYktmcGZTajYrUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81790762206?pwd=VXFYMTI5M0ZUM0VvYktmcGZTajYrUT09)

Meeting ID: 817 9076 2206

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.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Confirmation preparation has now concluded for our two confirmation candidates, Elanor and Maryanne .

Please pray for them as they continue in their journey of faith.
A date for the Confirmation is yet to be set.

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

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

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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

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Yarraville: Pamela McFadyen 0412 280 233

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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.