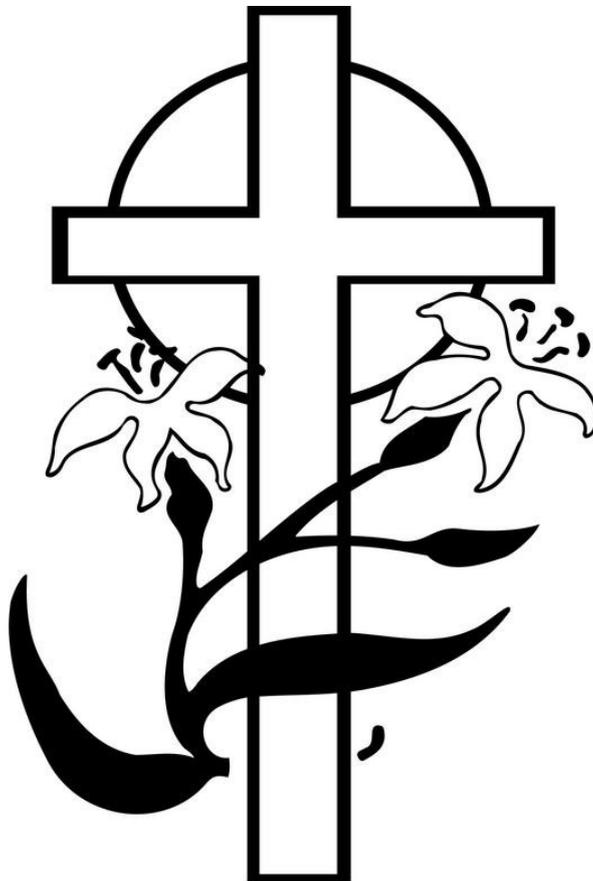


HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH WILLIAMSTOWN

**2nd Sunday of Easter
and Sunday before Anzac Day
24th April 2022
8am & 10am Holy Communion**



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. We are moved by our calling as the Body of Christ to ensure all our spaces are safe places for everyone.

Thank you for being part of our worship today.

This worship service will also be available on the parish YouTube channel from Sunday, links are on our website under 'Services'.

www.htw.org.au

REFLECTION

Happy Easter! And yes, it is still Easter. Like there are 12 days of Christmas between Christmas Day and Epiphany, We actually get 40 Days of Easter to the Ascension, and then another 10 to Pentecost to get us to the full 50 days. This gives us a whole church season to say and sing, "Christ is Risen! Alleluia!" I invite you to take some time over the next few weeks to consider what it means to live our lives in light of that amazing proclamation.

Rev. Elizabeth



PARISH PRAYER POINTS



For The Church:

- The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn
- Anglican Cursillo Movement
- All Saint's Kooyong

In our Community

As part of our regular parish cycle of prayer we pray for Ron Bates, Gordon Beal, Jenny Berrige, Simon Bradwell, Rev. Margaret Burt.

We pray for those who are suffering or unwell at this time for whom prayers have been requested.

Immediate need:

Long-term need: Elliot, Zoe Bastin, Gordon Beal, Ron Bates, Barb & Brett Hingston, Heather Jobling, Rev. Mike Jobling, Bryan Matty, Laurie McLay, Marjorie Todd, John, Brent, Rev. Margaret Burt, Sue Wragg, David Terry.

We remember those who have recently died, and we remember those whose Years Mind anniversary falls this week, Rod Walker.

Please note that the names of those on the 'Immediate need' list will remain for one month only. If there is a need to move them to the 'Long-term need' list, please contact the parish office.

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Holy Trinity Anglican Church is on Bunurong Country, the sovereign land of the Yalukit Willam people of the Kulin Nation. We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over generations, and pay respect to all Elders past and present. We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, truth-telling, justice and healing.

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For 10am worship, words for hymns are in the red hymn books or sheets provided if they are not printed here. If we sing the responses, these can be found at TIS 756.

(please stand)

*At 10am **Opening Hymn:** With open hearts*

*With open hearts, open arms, open minds
there is welcome in this place, there is welcome in this space,
there is welcome with embrace, with open hearts.*

*A place for caring and acceptance,
openness and trust
actions that are just.*

*All are welcome here, a place of belonging. **Refrain.***

*A place for risking and affirming,
radical and bold
no one fits a mold*

*All are welcome here, a place of inclusion. **Refrain.***

*A place for healing and releasing
brokenness and pain
hurt that been sustained.*

*All are welcome here, a place for receiving. **Refrain.***

*A place to question and to wonder,
liberating views
relevant and new.*

*All are welcome here, a place for engaging. **Refrain.***

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

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

THE SENTENCE

Jesus 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.' *John 20.27*

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.

KYRIE ELEISON *(may be sung at 10am)*

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

THE CONFESSION

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

Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

Merciful God, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have broken your holy laws and have left undone what we ought to have done. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us, forgive us, cleanse us and change us. By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you; 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.**

THE GLORIA *(may be sung at 10am)*

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 COLLECTS

Living God, for whom no door is closed, no heart is locked: draw us beyond our doubts, till we see your Christ and touch his wounds where they bleed in others. This we ask through Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O God, our ruler and guide, in whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation, we give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land and for those who laid down their lives to defend them: We pray that we and all the people of Australia, gratefully remembering their courage and their sacrifice, may have grace to live in a spirit of justice, of generosity, and of peace; through 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 *(please sit)*

The First Reading Acts 5:27-32 Read by Val Dripps at 8am, Ingrid Dodd at 10am.

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

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

Psalm 118, 14-29.

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my song:
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵ **The sounds of joy and deliverance:
are in the tents of the righteous.**

¹⁶ The right hand of the Lord does mighty things:
the right hand of the Lord raises up.

¹⁷ **I shall not die but live:
and proclaim the works of the Lord.**

¹⁸ The Lord has disciplined me hard:
but he has not given me over to death.

¹⁹ **Open me the gates of righteousness:
and I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter it.

²¹ **I will praise you, for you answered me:
and have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected:
has become the head of the corner.

²³ **This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made:
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵ **O Lord, save us, we pray:
O Lord, send us prosperity.**

- ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes, in the name of the Lord:
from the house of the Lord we bless you.
- ²⁷ **The Lord is God, and he has given us light:
guide the festal throng up to the horns of the altar.**
- ²⁸ You are my God and I will praise you:
you are my God, I will exalt you.
- ²⁹ **O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:
and his mercy endures for ever.**

The Second Reading: Revelation 1.4-8 Read by Val Dripps at 8am, Chris Ringrose at 10am.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

(please stand)

At 10am **Gradual Hymn:** Faith will not grow from words alone
[sheet] (tune TIS 387)

The Gospel according to St. 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.

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

(please sit)

THE SERMON

Rev. Elizabeth Murray, Vicar

A time of silence is kept

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(please stand)*

**We believe in one God,
who made and loves all that is.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was born, lived, died and rose again,
and is coming to call all to account.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who calls, equips and sends out God's people,
and brings all things to their true end.**

**This is our faith, the faith of the Church:
We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

THE PRAYERS *(please sit or kneel). Led by Wilma Robarts at 8am, Scott Phillips at 10am.*

*The response is usually . . . in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.***

This 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 *(please stand)*

We are the body of Christ. **His spirit is with us.**

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

Offerings – A collection will be taken up at this time

Donations to support the life & work of Holy Trinity are most welcome. We rely on your generosity. Cash donations & cheques can be left in the plate. Cashless giving options: Direct EFT details: BSB: 033100; Account number: 490175; or go to www.htw.org.au and click on 'Donate now'.

At 10am **Offertory Hymn:** TIS 393 Christ is alive

THE OFFERTORY

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.

(Responses may be sung at 10am)

The prayer continues

...forever 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

As this bread was once many grains which have been gathered together and made one bread,

so may your church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

(may be sung at 10am)

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 gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive communion. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please let the priest know. If you do not wish to receive communion and would like to receive a blessing, please also come forward and indicate to the priest your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms in front of you.

Communion is distributed with these or similar words

The body of Christ the bread of heaven keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The blood of Christ the cup of salvation keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The priest leads the prayer, ending with

Loving God, **take us and use us to love and serve you and all people, in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Notices may be given

(please stand)

At 10am **Final Hymn:** TIS 360 Part 2 That Eastertide

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

PARISH NEWS

ADA CAMBRIDGE BOOK GROUP

Our Book Group next meets in the Parish Centre at 12 noon on Wednesday 27 April, looking at Kerry Greenwood's "Dead Man's Chest".

CONVERSATIONS AT THE CENTRE

Please remember that our Conversations are open to everyone, church member or not, so if you know someone with an interest in these areas do invite them to join us. Our next Conversation is 7.30-9pm Wednesday 4 May in the Parish Centre. Warren Madsen will be speaking on the topic 'Decisions and Dilemmas for members of the Australian Defence Force.'

TAPESTRY GROUP IS NOW ... TEXTILE & DESIGN GROUP

This group has changed name to better cover all that we feel inspired to do to care for and add to our worship and parish spaces. We meet on the third Saturday of the month at 2pm in the Parish Centre. Do join us some time.

GARDENING GROUP

We meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month 9am-12noon. Any time you are able to give is greatly appreciated. We really welcome any comers and its great fun pursuing the ongoing jobs for keen gardeners of all abilities. Morning Tea is provided. Some are also available to borrow if needed. Hope to see you 14 May.

COMMUNITY SINGING IN THE CHURCH:

Barbara Phoenix, a super organizer known to many of us, has planned singing in the Church on the first Thursday of the month, 2-4pm. This is hopefully the beginning of monthly singing for all. It's for tenors, altos, sopranos, and basses, those who say they can sing and those who say they cannot, crooners, warblers, singers in the shower. In fact, EVERYONE! It's meant to be a joyful time of relaxation and companionship. Look forward to seeing you next time on 5th May.

PVAW TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

The Anglican Diocese of Melbourne's Preventing Violence Against Women Program has created a one-day training program to equip church leaders for this task. There are two sessions, Saturday 14th May 9am – 4pm, Saturday 4th June 9am-4pm at the David Penman Centre. Bookings through Try Booking <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=884943&>

COMMUNITY LUNCHESES – HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Even if you are unable to come along and volunteer time on a Friday morning, you can still help with this important outreach. Do you have time during the week to shop for supplies? We want to put together a team of shoppers to keep the fridge and pantry stocked. If you're a whizz with online supermarket shopping or arranging 'click & collect', we'd love to hear from you! The parish has funds for covering the costs, what we need is the people with some expertise and time.

Of course, volunteering your time on a Friday, or even helping coordinate our current team of volunteers is a great way to serve Christ in the world. If you have experience with managing a team of volunteers, and you might have some time to lend your talents to this program, please contact Rev. Elizabeth for a chat vicar@htw.org.au 0419 106 457 (Day off Fridays).

This program is a great way that we show our love and care to the world, and we need your help to build it stronger into the future. Please prayerfully consider how you can help the Community Lunches program, especially if you can think of a way that we haven't thought of yet.

And thank you to those who have donated games and activities. We're most grateful.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

APRIL

24 th	8 & 10am	Holy Communion
25 th		ANZAC DAY
	5.30am	<i>RSL Dawn Service at Cenotaph</i>
	3pm	Holy Communion – The Village
27 th	12noon	Ada Cambridge Book Group
29 th	10am-1pm	Community Lunches

MAY

1 st	8 & 10am	Holy Communion
	12noon	Baptism
	3pm	Wedding
4 th	10am	Holy Communion
	7.30-9pm	Conversation at the Centre
5 th	6.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
6 th	10am-1pm	Community Lunches
8 th	8 & 10am	Holy Communion

IN MEMORIUM

Celebration of Christine Hurwood's Life.

As the anniversary of her death approaches, we will be able to attend a Celebration of Christine's Life. Carl has organized for this to be held on Friday 20th May from 2.00-4.00pm at The Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club, Williamstown. You will all be welcome.

SOME 2022 EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Pentecost: Sunday 5 June

Trinity Sunday: Sunday 12 June 8am & 10am, then BBQ Lunch in church grounds

Feast of Mary Magdalene: Sunday 24 July

August Study Series: Wednesdays 10, 17, 24, 31 August
7.30-9pm

St Francis & Pet Blessing: Sunday 9 October

All Souls Commemoration: Thursday 27 October, 7pm

Lighting of the Lamp: Sunday 13 November, 7pm

PARISH ROSTER

SUNDAY: 24th April, 2nd Sunday of Easter.

First Reading: *Acts 5.27-32 Read Valerie Dripps at 8am, Ingrid Dodd at 10am.*

Psalm 118. 14-29

Second Reading: *Revelation 1.4-8. Read by Valerie Dripps at 8am, Chris Ringrose at 10am.*

Gospel: *John 20. 19-31.*

Intercessor: *Wilma Robarts at 8am, Scott Phillips at 10am.*

Eucharist Assistant: *Valerie Dripps.*

Liturgical Minister: *Tom Verghese.*

Welcomer/Sidespersons: *Russell Dripps/Sue Searls.*

Morning Tea: *Pamela Mc Fadyen.*

Flowers: *Laurie English.*

NEXT SUNDAY: 1st May, 3rd Sunday of Easter.

First Reading: *Acts 9:1-6. Read by Judith White at 8am, Chris Ringrose at 10am.*

Psalm: *30.*

Second Reading: *Revelations 5.6-14. Read by Judith White at 8am, Chris Ringrose at 10am.*

Gospel: *John 21. 1-19*

Intercessor: *Wilma Robarts at 8am, Scott Phillips at 10am.*

Eucharist Assistant: *Ann Hodges.*

Liturgical Minister: *Tom Verghese.*

Welcomer/Sidespersons: *Sue Searls/Wilma Robarts at 8am. Sue Phillips/Jill Ringrose at 10am.*

Morning Tea: *Alison Verghese.*

Flowers: *Pamela Mc Fadyen*

SAFEGUARDING

We strongly condemn any form of abuse and are committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable people, and speaking out against violence against women. If you would like to raise any concerns, please contact the independent Professional Standards Body, Kooyoora.

1800 135 246 enquiries@kooyoora.org.au

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

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HOLY TRINITY PASTORAL CARE

The Parish is divided into zones to cover the wide areas of pastoral care.

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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 the vicar.