



# HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH WILLIAMSTOWN

**4th Sunday of Easter & Mothers' Day**

**8<sup>th</sup> May 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'.*

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My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. | John 10:27



## PARISH PRAYER POINTS



### For The Church:

- Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
- The Diocese of Tasmania
- Archdeaconry of Essendon
- St. Augustine's Mentone
- 18<sup>th</sup> Session of General Synod

### In our Community:

As part of our regular parish cycle of prayer we pray for Ingrid Dodd, Rosie Drake, Val & Russell Dripps, Champi & Vanessa Elwela, Laurie English, Christa Fatouros.

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

*Immediate need:* Rev. Jo Hall, Leonie Dobinson

*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.

*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.*



*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.*



*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:** TIS 10 The Lord is my Shepherd.*

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

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

## **THE SENTENCE**

The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. *Revelation 7.17*

## **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 COLLECT**

Gracious God, you sent Jesus, the good shepherd, to gather us together: may we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him,

until we are safely in your fold, to live with you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD** *(please sit)*

*The First Reading Acts 9.36-43. Read by Wilma Robarts at 8am, Warren Madsen at 10am.*

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

### *Psalm 23*

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

<sup>2</sup> **He will make me lie down in green pastures:  
and lead me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup> He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil:**

**for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.**

- <sup>5</sup> You spread a table before me  
in the face of those who trouble me:  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup shall be full.
- <sup>6</sup> **Surely your goodness and loving-kindness  
will follow me all the days of my life:  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

*The Second Reading: Revelation 7.9-17 Read by Wilma Robarts  
at 8am, Warren Madsen at 10am.*

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'  
For the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*(please stand)*

*At 10am **Gradual Hymn:** TIS 391 Come God's people*

The Gospel according St. John 10.22-30

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

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 Judy White at 8am, Jill Ringrose 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](http://www.htw.org.au) and click on 'Donate now'.*

At 10am **Offertory Hymn:** TIS 517. Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus

**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.*

*Prayers of Anointing & Healing are available at this time. Please wait in the front pew near the candle stand to indicate this wish.*

*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 420. Holy Spirit go before us.*

## **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!**

*Immediately following the 10am worship, please join us at  
The Garden of Remembrance*

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### ***The Interment of Ashes for Joan Bates***

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.' *John 11.25–26*

I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
*Romans 8.38–39.*

God our creator, giver of life and all that is good and true, we thank you for the life of your servant, Joan. Preserve among us the good of their example, and keep us in the way of truth, until we come to your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*As the ashes are interred in a prepared place, the minister says* God our Father, in loving care your hand has created us, and as the potter fashions the clay you have formed us in your image. Through the Holy Spirit you have breathed into us the gift of life. In the sharing of love you have enriched our knowledge of you and of one another.

We claim your love today, as we commit these remains of Joan to their resting place, earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust, in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life.

**Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Those gathered are invited to place earth on the ashes*

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable nature must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. *1 Corinthians 15.51–53*

God of hope, grant that we, with all who have believed in you, may be united in the full knowledge of your love and the unclouded vision of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The minister concludes with the following*

Now to him who is able to keep you from falling, and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of his glory with rejoicing, to the only God our Saviour, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. *Jude 24–25*

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. Amen.

*2 Corinthians 13.14*

# PARISH NEWS

## **ADA CAMBRIDGE BOOK GROUP**

Our Book Group next meets in the Parish Centre at 12 noon on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> June, looking at “The Choke” by Sofie Laguna, winner of the Miles Franklin Literary Award.

## **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. Next gathering 21 May.

## **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 5<sup>th</sup> May.

## **CONVERSATIONS AT THE CENTRE**

Our next Conversation will be 8 June 7:30 – 9pm. 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.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### MAY

8 <sup>th</sup>	8 & 10am	Holy Communion <i>Immediately following our 10am worship, we will move to the Garden of Remembrance to inter the ashes of Joan Bates</i>
11 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Holy Communion
13 <sup>th</sup>	10am-1pm	Community Lunches
14 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Gardening Group, garden and grounds
15 <sup>th</sup>	8 & 10am	Holy Communion, (Including Baptism at 10am)
<i>16<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> May – Vicar on leave.</i>		
<i>Locum: The Rev'd Canon Professor Dorothy Lee</i>		
18 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Holy Communion
20 <sup>th</sup>	10am-1pm	Community Lunches
	2-4pm	Memorial for Christine Hurwood at RVMC
21 <sup>st</sup>	2pm	Textile & Design Group, Parish Centre
	2pm	Wedding
22 <sup>nd</sup>	8 & 10am	Holy Communion
25 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Holy Communion
27 <sup>th</sup>	10am-1pm	Community Lunches
29 <sup>th</sup>	8 & 10am	Holy Communion
30 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	Holy Communion at The Village

### JUNE

1 <sup>st</sup>	10am	Holy Communion
	2pm	Wedding
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10am-1pm	Community Lunches
5 <sup>th</sup>	8 & 10am	Holy Communion – Pentecost. <i>Wear something Red</i>
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Vicar attending the residential Oodthenong Ministry Conference</i>	
8 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Holy Communion
	7.30-9pm	Conversations at the Centre
10 <sup>th</sup>	10am-1pm	Community Lunches
11 <sup>th</sup>	9am-12noon	Gardening Group
12 <sup>th</sup>	8 & 10am	Holy Communion – TRINITY SUNDAY
	11.30am -2pm	BBQ lunch, byo drinks.

## **PARISH ROSTER**

**SUNDAY: 8<sup>TH</sup> May, 4th Sunday of Easter & Mothers' Day.**

*Immediately following our 10am worship, we will move to the Garden of Remembrance to inter the ashes of Joan Bates*

**First Reading:** *Acts 9, 36-43. Read by Wilma Robarts at 8am. Warren Madsen at 10am.*

**Psalm:** 23.

**Second Reading:** *Revelation 7: 9-17. Read by Wilma Robarts at 8am, Warren Madsen at 10am.*

**Gospel:** *John 10. 22-30.*

**Intercessor:** *at 8am. Jill Ringrose at 10am*

**Eucharist Assistant:** *Anne Hodges at 8am*

**Liturgical Minister:** *Ingrid Dodd at 10am.*

**Welcomer:** *Jeannine Madsen at 10am.*

**Sidespersons:** *at 8am, Warren Madsen at 10am.*

**Morning Tea:** *Jill Ringrose.*

**Flowers:** *Sue Searls.*

**SUNDAY: 15<sup>th</sup> May, 5th Sunday of Easter.**

**First Reading:** *Acts 11:1-18 Read by Marie Calthorpe at 8am, Sue Phillips at 10am.*

**Psalm:** 30.

**Second Reading:** *Revelation 21:1-6 Read by Marie Calthorpe at 8am, Sue Phillips at 10am.*

**Gospel:** *John 13.31-35*

**Intercessor:** *Vicar at 8am Laurence Gray at 10am.*

**Eucharist Assistant:** *Anne Hodges at 8am*

**Liturgical Minister:** *Scott Phillips at 10am*

**Welcomer/Sidespersons:** *Wilma Robarts at 8am. Chris & Jill Ringrose at 10am.*

**Morning Tea:** *Delia Paul.*

**Flowers:** *Wilma Robarts*

### **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.

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## THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

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## OUR TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS

*These people give their time and talents to supporting the life of the parish*

### Wardens:

Scott Phillips ..... 0411 751 755

Tom Verghese ..... 0419 999 292

Jill Ringrose

### Authorised Honorary Lay Minister:

Scott Phillips ..... 0411 751 755

### Treasurer:

Laurence Gray ..... 0431 322 490

### Bookkeeper:

Ian Stewart ..... 0438 070 439

### Pastoral Care:

Janice Schmidt ..... 0409 180 144

### Parish Office, Baptism Arrangements & Weddings:

Pamela Mc Fadyen

**Tuesday & Thursday** ..... 9397 5330

### The Pilot, Parish Journal:

Judy White ..... 0434 250 411

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### Women of Holy Trinity:

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### Ada Cambridge Book Group:

Wilma Robarts ..... 0409 862 292

### Tapestry Group:

Joan Crook ..... 9393 9478

### Interfaith Dialogue:

Scott Phillips ..... 0411 751 756

### Synod Representatives:

Val Dripps ..... 0412 372 524

Scott Phillips ..... 0411 751 755

## HOLY TRINITY PASTORAL CARE

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

For those living in the **Village & 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

**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.