

Lunchtime Eucharist

Monday to Saturday
12.15pm



St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

WELCOME to St Paul's Cathedral, the home for worshippers from more than two dozen nations, the seat of the Anglican Primate of Australia and the home church for Anglicans in Melbourne and Victoria. We are delighted that you are with us today: come and worship with us again. We worship on the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin nation and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging and to Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders with us today.

We are delighted that you are with us today: come and worship with us again. Whether you are Anglican, from another Christian Church or another faith tradition, you are warmly welcome to take part in the service. Baptised members of other denominations are welcome to receive the bread and wine during the service. If you want to find out more about the Christian faith, please make yourself known to the clergy person who is leading the service.

Please say those parts of the service printed in **bold** type.

Please keep silence before the service.

Photography and filming on cameras or mobile phones is not permitted during the service.

Please stand for the entry of the clergy.

THE GREETING

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

And also with you.

THE 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.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Let us pray.

Following the Prayer, please sit for

THE FIRST READING

At the end

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Please remain seated, and join in the response.

After the Psalm, please stand for

THE GOSPEL READING

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the reading

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

Please sit for

THE SERMON

Following the sermon there is a brief silence for reflection.

Please kneel or sit for

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith: receive the prayers we offer.

After each set of prayers:

Father, hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the conclusion of the prayers, all join in

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us 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 for ever. Amen.

Please remain seated or kneeling for the

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

1 Corinthians 11.26-28

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.

Isaiah 55.6-8

We are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

1 John 3.2-3

Knowing the goodness of God and our failure to respond with love and obedience, let us confess our sins, saying together,

Heavenly Father, 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.

God is slow to anger and full of compassion,
forgiving all who humbly repent
and trust in his Son as Saviour and Lord.
God therefore forgives you in Christ Jesus,
in whom there is no condemnation. Amen.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

John 3.16

As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our sins from us.

Psalms 103.12

Our Lord Jesus Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

1 Peter 2.24

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.**

All exchange a sign of peace. Remain standing for

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 Priest praises God for his mighty acts

... we lift our voices to praise you, 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 Priest recalls the Last Supper, and all join in the acclamation

as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

We eat this bread and drink this cup
to proclaim the death of the Lord.

We do this until he returns.

Come, Lord Jesus!

The prayer continues, and concludes with the following prayer of praise.

join in your eternal praise:
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive praise and honour
and glory and power
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

Draw near with faith, to feed on Christ in your hearts with thanksgiving.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God, thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Thank you for assuring us of your goodness and love, and that we are living members of Christ's body.

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.

Remain standing for

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Priest gives the blessing

...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.

In the name of Christ. Amen.