



# St Paul's Cathedral

*Together transforming our City and Diocese*

## Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer Sixth Sunday of Easter 5 May 2024, 8 am

### WELCOME

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral, home church for Anglicans in Melbourne and Victoria. We want to be a place of transformation for our city and church where all people can come to experience and know God's love in Christ Jesus. We are an international community and are delighted that you're here!

### SERVICE LEADERS

*President:* The Revd Canon Dr Bob Derrenbacker, Associate Priest; *Cantor:* Mr William Fellows, Acting Director of Music.

### ORDER OF SERVICE

*All stand for the procession. Please join saying those parts of the service printed in **bold type**, and in singing the Communion Hymn.*

### THE GREETING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

*The president welcomes the people, and acknowledges the Country on which we meet. We meet on land that was taken, not ceded—the Sovereign Country of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation. We give thanks for their ancestors, acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country, and pay our respects to all First Peoples here today.*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

O Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets:

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

## THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Please be seated for*

## THE FIRST READING

Acts 10.44-48

*Read by Peter Burman.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup> The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup> for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup> 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' <sup>48</sup> So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

## PSALM 98

Please join in saying the verses of Psalm 98 printed in bold.

1 O sing to the Lord a new song: for he has done marvellous things;

**2 His right hand and his holy arm: they have got him the victory.**

3 The Lord has made known his salvation:

he has revealed his just deliverance in the sight of the nations.

**4 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel:  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth: break into singing and make melody.

**6 Make melody to the Lord upon the harp:  
upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.**

7 With trumpets and with horns: cry out in triumph before the Lord, the king.

**8 Let the sea roar, and all that fills it:  
the good earth and those who live upon it.**

9 Let the rivers clap their hands:

and let the mountains ring out together before the Lord;

**10 For he comes to judge the earth:**

**he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.**

## THE SECOND READING

1 John 5.1-12

A reading from the First letter of John.

<sup>5</sup>1 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup>for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>There are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. <sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

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

*Please stand for*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John:

15.9-17

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

## THE SERMON

The Revd Canon Dr Bob Derrenbacker

## THE NICENE CREED

We stand and together affirm the faith of the church:

**I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE OFFERTORY



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*The following sentences are read:*

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *St Matthew 5.16*

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth; where rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. *St Matthew 6.19*

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the Law and the Prophets. *St Matthew 7.12*

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. *Acts 20.35*

*The people are seated as the altar is prepared. The president gives thanks for the offering:*

All things come of thee, O Lord: **and of thine own do we give thee.**

*Please sit or kneel for*

## THE PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church:

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy Holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness and peace; and so to direct all kings and rulers, that under them thy people may be godly and quietly governed. And grant unto thy servant *Charles* our King, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests and Deacons, especially to thy servants *Justin*, Archbishop of Canterbury, *Geoff*, our Primate, *Philip*, our Archbishop, and *Andreas*, our Dean, that they may both by their life and doctrine

set forth thy true and living Word and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Guide and prosper, we pray thee, those who are labouring for the spread of thy Gospel among the nations, and enlighten with thy Spirit all places of education and learning; that the whole world may be filled with the knowledge of thy truth.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy Holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [*specific intercessions may be added here*]. And we commend to thy gracious keeping, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them everlasting light and peace.

And here we give thee most high praise and hearty thanks for all thy Saints, who have been the chosen vessels of thy grace, and lights of the world in their several generations; and we pray, that rejoicing in their fellowship, and following their good examples, we may be partakers with them of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. **Amen.**

## **THE COMMUNION**

### **THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of**

life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him:

Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

*St Matthew 11.28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St John 3.16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith. This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1.15*

Hear also what Saint John saith. If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

*1 John 2.1*

*Please stand for*

#### THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory:  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.**

**Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again; Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. Amen.

## THE COMMUNION

*All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Communion. A welcomer will direct you. We have returned to sharing the common cup for those who would like to receive wine. You are welcome to receive only bread, or a blessing instead. Gluten free wafers are available.*

*During the distribution of Communion, please join in singing*



## THE COMMUNION HYMN



1 Fa-ther, hear the prayer we of-fer: not for ease that prayer shall be,  
but for strength that we may e - ver live our lives cou - ra-geous-ly.

<sup>2</sup>  
Not for ever in green pastures  
do we ask our way to be;  
but the steep and rugged pathway  
may we tread rejoicingly.

<sup>3</sup>  
Not for ever by still waters  
would we idly rest and stay;  
but would smite the living fountains  
from the rocks along our way.

<sup>4</sup>  
Be our strength in hours of weakness,  
in our wanderings be our guide;  
through endeavour, failure, danger,  
Father, be thou at our side.

Maria Willis (1824-1908)  
*New English Hymnal* 357

*Please sit or kneel*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven, **Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

## THE GLORIA

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE NOTICES

*Please stand for*

## THE BLESSING

The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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## PRAY WITH US

**FOR THE WORLD — THIS WEEK WE FOCUS ON THE AMERICAS** As we continue to pray for negotiations to find peaceful solutions to all issues in the Middle East, we pray for a resolution to the standoff between authorities and protesters at United States Universities. The realisation that the majority of states of the US do not prohibit child marriages sets up a dangerous increased possibility of domestic violence against which we pray. After the significant impact on lives affected by recent tornadoes, we ask God's comfort and strength for those facing loss. We continue to pray for a peaceful solution to the violence and turmoil in Haiti, following the installation of a transitional council. Our understanding and prayer are for all impacted by a fatal stabbing at a Halifax (Canada) shopping centre.

**FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION** Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil (Abp Marinez Rosa Dos Santos Bassotto).

**FOR THE AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH** The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff Smith, Asst Bps Denise Ferguson, Timothy Harris, Christopher McLeod; Clergy & People).

**FOR THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE** St Philip's Mount Waverley (Ruth Newmarch, Breannon Wilkinson).

**FOR OUR CATHEDRAL** Our Canon Missioner, the Revd Canon Robert Vun, our Bible study & Discipleship Groups; the Revd Canon Christopher Carolane and the students and teachers of our English Conversation Classes.

**FOR THOSE IN SICKNESS OR NEED** Laurie Mahoney, Patsy King, Robyn and David Forbes, Peter, Lesley and Ray Way, Mary, Tom Pearce, Janet Marsden, Brian Clark, the Vinson Family, Helen Dwyer, Rob Till.

#### **FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MINDS OCCURS THIS WEEK**

- 5 Jack Roper (Bell Ringer) 2005
- 7 Joan Worthy (Congregation) 2007  
Edward Fancourt Mitchell (Chancellor) 1941
- 8 Emma Sarah Duke (Chorister, St Paul's Church, Benefactor) 1962
- 9 Ernest Wood (1<sup>st</sup> Cathedral Organist, Master of Choristers) 1914
- 12 Lawrence Ernest Turnbull (Priest, Founder of Healing Ministry) 2012

### **NOTICES**

**We are delighted you have joined our service** If you have any questions and would like to speak to a staff member, please phone the office 9653 4333 during office hours or get in touch via our website: [www.cathedral.org.au](http://www.cathedral.org.au). If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please fill out a Welcome Card available from the back of the Cathedral, so we can keep in touch with you.

**Communion Distribution** At our 8am service, there is no intinction available. At the 10am service, those wishing to receive wine by intinction of the bread should proceed to the communion rail. If you wish to receive the common cup, proceed to the standing station in the side aisle near the eagle lectern. If you require a gluten free wafer, or a prayer of blessing, please tell the priest distributing the bread. If you would prefer to not receive the wine, please indicate this to the servers with the chalice.

**Children's Church at the Cathedral** During our 10am service, children 0-7 years are welcome to join a learning and activity time in the Barbara Darling Room. If you have any questions about our children's ministry, please speak to the Precentor or email [precentor@stpaulscathedral.org.au](mailto:precentor@stpaulscathedral.org.au)

**Wednesday Lunchtime concert 8 May Colin Andrews (organ)** British concert organist and former faculty member of Indiana and East Carolina Universities in the US, Colin Andrews will perform the Variations de Concert, Op. 1, by Joseph Bonnet, Psalm-Prelude No. 3, Set 2, by Herbert Howells, his own arrangement of the Adagio cantabile from Beethoven's Piano Sonata No. 8 in C minor, Op. 13 ('Pathétique'), and the Communion and Sortie from Messiaen's Messe de la Pentecôte.

**Dean Andreas Overseas** Dean Andreas returns from his time in the United Kingdom for professional development tomorrow, Monday 6 May.

## READ THE BIBLE WITH US

You may like to use these readings, which the Cathedral Clergy and staff use for daily prayer, as part of your personal devotions throughout the week.

**Mon:** Ps 18.1-31; 1 Corinthians 10.1-11

**Tues:** Ps 19; 1 Corinthians 10.12-22

**Wed:** Ps 20; John 1.1-15

**Thur:** Ps 97; Revelation 5.1-10

**Fri:** Ps 25; 1 Corinthians 10.23-11.1

**Sat:** Ps 28; 1 Corinthians 11.2-16

*Next Sunday: Acts 1.15-17, 21-26; Ps 1; 1 John 5.9-13; John 17.6-19*

## THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Monday	12.15pm Holy Communion 2.30pm English Conversation Corner 5.10pm Evening Prayer in Simple English
Tuesday	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Wednesday	12.15pm Holy Communion 1pm Lunchtime Concert 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Thursday & Friday	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Saturday	12.15pm Holy Communion
Sunday	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) — <i>Preacher: Canon Window</i> 10.00am Choral Eucharist — <i>Preacher: Canon Window</i> 4pm Choral Evensong 'God is compassionate' — <i>Preacher: The Precentor</i> 6pm Gather at St Paul's 'God is compassionate' — <i>Preacher: The Precentor</i>

## CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 10am-5pm, Saturday 10am-4pm, Sundays during Services

## LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

Sunday 8am & 10am