



St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

Choral Eucharist

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

19 July 2026, 10 am

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! The flower arrangements today were donated by Martin Ferreccio in loving memory of his late father, Reynaldo Chung Bermudez.

THE SERVICE LEADERS

President: The Revd Lydia Thangadurai, Succentor; *Preacher:* The Revd Canon Dr Tim Watson, Precentor; *Deacon:* The Revd Canon Robert Vun, Associate Priest; *Sub-deacon:* The Revd Canon Jane Window, Associate Priest; the Choir of St Paul's Cathedral, directed by Canon Philip Nicholls.

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 Cathedral office 9653 4333. If we cannot answer, please always leave a message and someone will get back to you – these messages are checked seven days a week and urgent pastoral concerns will be addressed in a timely way. 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 At this service we follow Christ's command to remember him in the breaking of the bread. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive and eat the bread and wine. A welcomer will direct you. At the main altar rail, the common cup will be used. In the two side aisles, Communion is by intinction: the priest will dip the bread in the wine and place it into your hand. Please tell the priest if you would like to receive only bread, a gluten free wafer, or a blessing instead. If you require neither communion nor a blessing, please remain in your seat.

*Please join in singing the hymns and saying the responses printed in **bold** type.*

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

THE INTROIT HYMN

1 Be still, for the pre-sence of the Lord, the Ho-ly One, is here;
come bow be - fore him now with re - ve-rence and fear:
in him no sin is found - we stand on ho - ly ground.
Be still, for the pre-sence of the Lord, the Ho-ly One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire, with splendor he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight –
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place:
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

David J. Evans (b.1957)
Common Praise 383
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THE GREETING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

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 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.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

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

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him 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.**

Please remain standing as the choir sings

THE GLORIA

Communion Service in A Minor – Harold Darke (1888-1976)

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 COLLECT

Let us pray.

Saving God, in Jesus Christ you opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Cathedral Children's Church leaves for child appropriate teaching and activities in the Barbara Darling Room. Parents, please sign your children in to this activity.

Please be seated for

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 28.10-19a

Read by Tom Jones

A reading from the book Genesis.

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, ¹⁴and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" ¹⁷And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

¹⁸So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ¹⁹He called that place Bethel.

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

PSALM 139.1-7, 12-14

Please sing the response after the cantor, then as indicated



¹O Lord, you have searched me out and known me:
you know when I sit or when I stand, you comprehend my thoughts long before.

²You discern my path and the places where I rest:
you are acquainted with all my ways.

³For there is not a word on my tongue: but you, Lord, know it altogether.

⁴You have encompassed me behind and before:
and have laid your hand upon me.

⁵Such knowledge is too wonderful for me:
so high that I cannot endure it.

Response

⁶Where shall I go from your spirit: or where shall I flee from your presence?

⁷If I ascend into heaven you are there:
if I make my bed in the grave you are there also.

¹²For you have created my inward parts:
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹³I will praise you, for you are to be feared: fearful are your acts,
and wonderful your works.

¹⁴You knew my soul, and my bones were not hidden from you:
when I was formed in secret, and woven in the depths of the earth.

Response

Antiphon: Geoffrey Cox; Chant: Tone I.8

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THE SECOND READING

Romans 8.12-25

Read by Canon Emeritus Chris Foley

A reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Romans.

So then, brothers and sisters, we are obligated, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God, ²⁰for the creation was subjected to

futility, not of its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labour, ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

THE GOSPEL

Please stand, and repeat the acclamation after the Cantor, then as indicated



Alleluia. Those that hate the Lord would cringe before him and their punishment would last for ever: but Israel I would feed with the finest wheat and satisfy you with honey from the rocks. **Alleluia.**

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew: 13.24-30, 36-43
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹But he replied, ‘No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned

up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Revd Canon Dr Tim Watson, Precentor

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified; who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit or kneel

Led by Ruth Vun

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

After each prayer: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers the president concludes

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 NOTICES

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Please stand

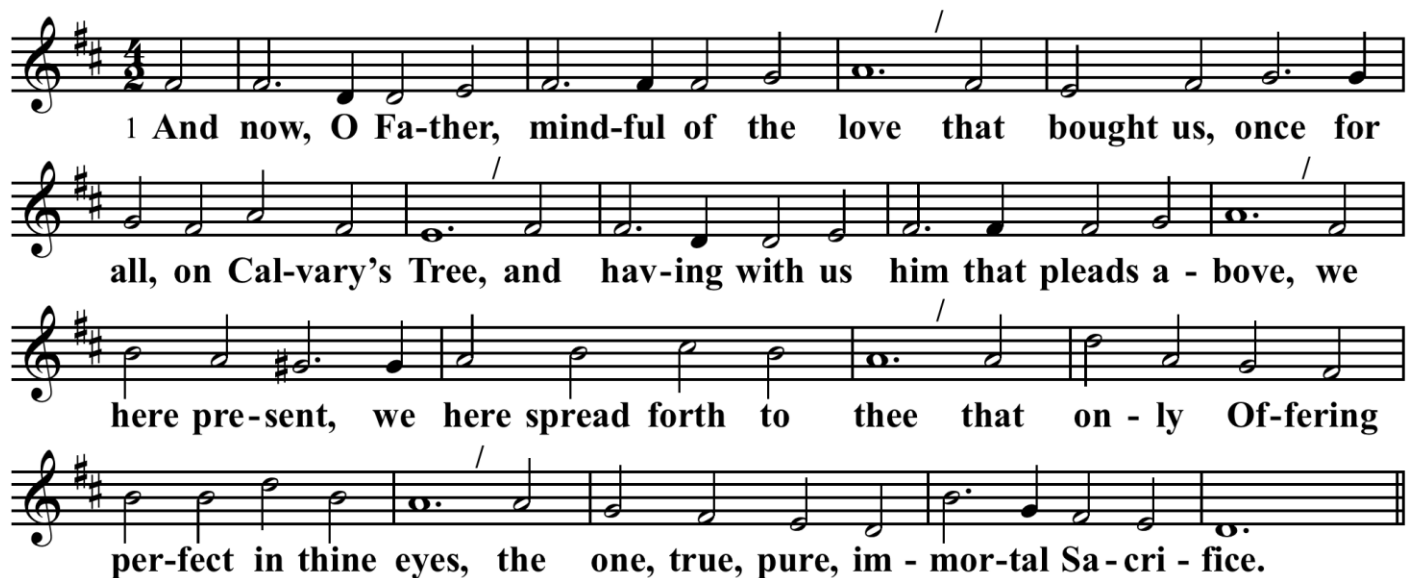
We are the body of Christ.
His Spirit is with us.

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

The people may greet one another with a sign of God's peace, and remain standing to sing

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

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1 And now, O Fa-ther, mind-ful of the love that bought us, once for
all, on Cal-vary's Tree, and hav-ing with us him that pleads a - bove, we
here pre-sent, we here spread forth to thee that on - ly Of-fering
per-fect in thine eyes, the one, true, pure, im - mor-tal Sa - cri - fice.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
for lo, between our sins and their reward
we set the Passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing Presence we appeal:
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
from tainting mischief keep them pure and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come: O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
and by this food, so awful and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us never more to part with thee.

William Bright (1824–1901)
Hymns Ancient and Modern Revised 397ii

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, 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 forever.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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.

It is right to praise you, faithful God, always and everywhere, for with your only begotten Son and life-giving Spirit, you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing a universe of beauty and splendour, bringing light from darkness and order from chaos.

You formed us in your image, and endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us. You called us by name and searched us out, making a covenant of mercy, giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you, joining with your faithful people of every time and place, singing the eternal song:

The choir sings

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Communion Service in A Minor – Darke

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 priest continues with the words of institution

When the fullness of time was come, you sent your Son to be born of Mary.

Bright image of your glory, he learnt obedience to you in all things, even to death on a cross, breaking the power of evil, freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.

You raised him from death, exalting him to glory, and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends, his companions on the way.

While at the table he took bread, blessed, and broke it, and giving it to them, said: 'Take, eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine, and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we remember his life of obedience to you, his suffering and death, his resurrection and exaltation, and his promise to be with us for ever. With this bread and this cup we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all who eat and drink at this table may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we worship you Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray, each in our own language:

**Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser..., 我們在天上的父 ..., Πάτερ ἡμῶν...
हे हमारे स्वरगिक पिता..., Bapa kami..., E to matou Matua..., 天の父よ ...,
ای پدر ما که در آسمانی... الَّذِي أَبَانَا... بھمارے اے...
Ama namin..., Göklerdeki Babamız...,**

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

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

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

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

THE MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

THE AGNUS DEI

Communion Service in A Minor – Darke

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

THE ANTHEM

In Christ Jesus – Michael Leighton Jones (b.1947)

In Christ Jesus, the life-giving law of the Spirit:

has set us free from the law of sin and death.

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God:

it is the Spirit that enables us to cry, 'Abba!' Father.

The spirit bears witness that we are God's children:

and if God's children, then heirs of God.

We are heirs of God and fellow-heirs with Christ:

if we share his sufferings now we shall be glorified with him hereafter.

These sufferings that we now endure:

are not worth comparing with the glory that shall be revealed.

For the creation waits with eager longing:

for the revealing of the children of God.

Text: Eds of *A Prayer Book for Australia* 1995, after Romans 8:2, 14, & 15b-19

Music: Michael Leighton Jones (b.1947)

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

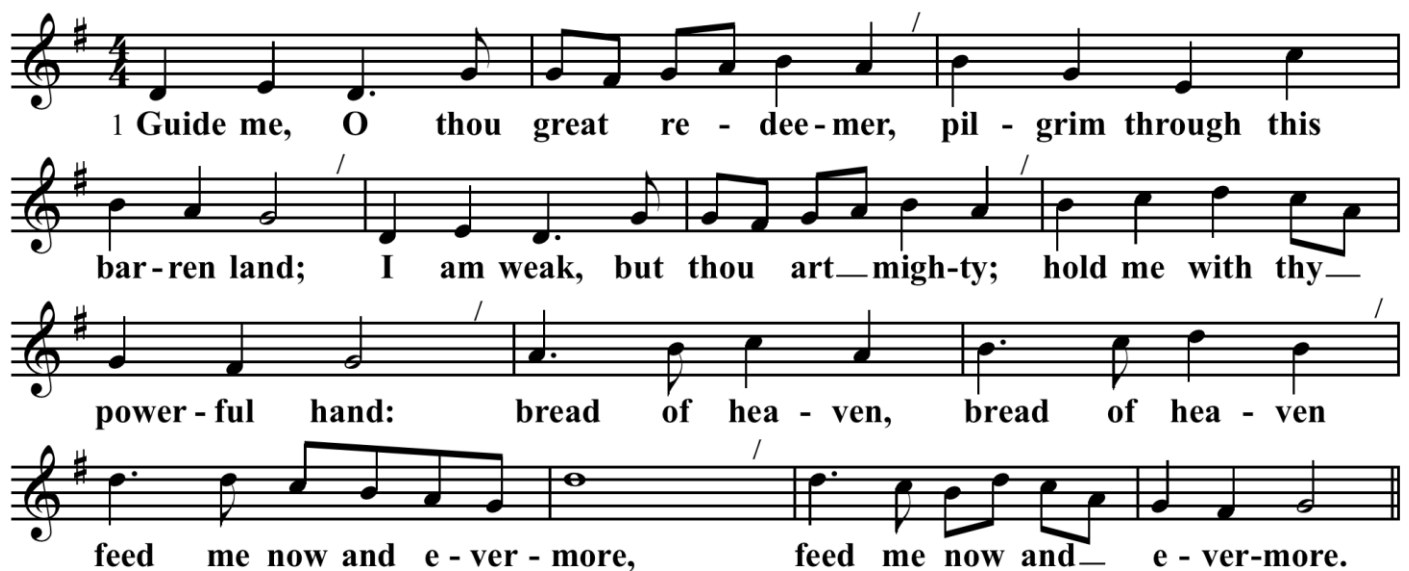
Please stand

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, give us courage for our pilgrimage, and bring us to the joys you promise.

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.

All visitors are warmly invited to join the regular congregation for Morning Tea after the service in the Barbara Darling Room—if you don't know where to go, please ask.

THE DISMISSAL HYMN



2
Open now the crystal fountain
whence the living waters flow;
let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

3
When I tread the verge of Jordan
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

William Williams (1717-91)
Together in Song 569

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God, which passes 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 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.

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

Prelude in C Major, BWV545 – J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Mr Siegfried Franke, Cathedral Organist

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PRAY WITH US

FOR THE WORLD Lord our God, as we pray for diplomacy over violence in the world's trouble spots, hear our prayers for peace between nations and for all whose lives are devastated by conflict. Strengthen aid agencies and medical personnel as they strive to relieve suffering and bring care where it is desperately needed. Give help and hope to those affected by natural disasters, earthquakes, tornadoes, and wildfires. In Australia, we place before you the anxiety of poultry farmers facing the economic threat of bird flu. We give thanks for the Diocesan Ministry Conference, for its thoughtful program, careful organisation, and shared worship and fellowship. Guide participants to put their insights into action to bring about Diocesan renewal.

FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan (Abp Ezekiel Kondo).

FOR THE AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH The Diocese of Riverina: Bishop Donald Kirk; St Alban's Cathedral, Dean Thom Leslie; clergy, lay ministers and people.

FOR THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE Marningatha Episcopate, Archdeaconry of Melbourne, Deanery of Port Phillip: St Luke's South Melbourne, Holy Trinity Port Melbourne, All Saints' East St Kilda, St James the Great East St Kilda, Christ Church St Kilda, St Silas & St Anselm Albert Park, Parish of Holy Trinity Balaclava and Elwood; Peninsula Grammar School.

FOR OUR CATHEDRAL Our Precentor, the Revd Canon Dr Tim Watson; our Succentor, the Revd Lydia Thangadurai; leaders of Bible readings & intercessions; Associate Clergy, the Revd Canon Dr Stephen Ames, the Revd Canon Dr Bob Derrenbacher, the Revd Dr Garry Deverell, the Revd Canon Prof. Dorothy Lee AM FAHA, the Revd Canon Philippa Lohmeyer-Collins, the Revd Canon Glenn Loughrey, the Revd Canon Peter MacPherson, the Ven Archdeacon Ray McInnes, the Revd Canon Robert Vun, and the Revd Canon Jane Window.

FOR THOSE IN SICKNESS OR NEED Stephen Ames, Rowena Armstrong, Cynthia Balderstone, Christine Bandias, Chris Carolane, Cecilia Cheng, Ken and Robyn Dusting, Cecilia Francis, Noelene Horton, Greg Hurworth, Gaye Loughrey, Esme Mitchell, Celina Ong, Tania Perry, Skipper family, Vinson family, Lesley and Ray Way.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED Tracey Mander.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

- 19 Russell Tullie Madigan 1999
Ada May Hall (Congregation, Benefactor) 1982
- 22 Thomas Russell Hope Clark (Priest, Canon) 1998
Olive May Blake (Congregation) 2017
- 24 Emma Rodgers Goe (wife of Bishop Goe, Founder Mothers' Union Australia) 1901
Lindsay Thompson (40th Premier of Victoria) 2008
Ian Symons Heffernan (Congregation) 2013

NOTICES

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Bible Studies Come and discuss Genesis at either of our two morning Bible studies. This Sunday the Precentor, Tim Watson, will kick-off our five-week series at both the 9.15am and the 11.45am Bible studies looking at Genesis 28. It's an intriguing passage where Jacob has a dream of the famous "stairway to heaven." Both studies take place in the David Penman Room. Newcomers are always welcome.

Genesis Series At the morning services from July 19-Aug 16 we will have five weeks looking at Genesis 28-45. The series will include famous passages like Jacob's ladder, Jacob marrying Rachel, Jacob wrestling with God, Joseph's betrayal by his brothers and the final, tearful reconciliation in Egypt. We will read stories of deception, love, family dysfunction, suffering, exile, reconciliation and surprising blessing. Jacob is fearful and manipulative; Joseph experiences betrayal and injustice; brothers carry guilt and jealousy; families struggle with favouritism and division. Yet through all of it, God remains faithful to his covenant promises. The five Sunday morning sermons will be augmented by five Sunday morning Bible studies especially written for the series. If you haven't started already, we encourage you to begin reading Genesis. Any questions to Canon Peter MacPherson.

Lunchtime Concert, Wednesday 22 July, 1pm: Robert Sholl (Organ) Robert Sholl is currently an organist and academic in the UK, and has studied in Melbourne, Paris, and London. This recital presents some classic organ works by J.S. Bach, Herbert Howells, Jeremiah Clark, and Marcel Dupré, alongside the world premiere of *Towards a still point* by Melbourne-based composer Tom Henry, a short improvisation by Dr A.E. Floyd, organist of St Paul's Cathedral (1914-47), and an improvisation on a well-known Australian theme.

Thursdays at Two Next week, on Thursday 23 July at 2pm, Samantha Clarke is looking forward to sharing stories about the work of Mercy Ships in providing free surgical care, medical training and healthcare education in sub-Saharan Africa through its hospital ships. With patients' stories, videos and personal insights, Samantha will share the remarkable impact of this work in her presentation entitled "The Life Changing Work of Mercy Ships". All are invited and will be very welcome to come to Thursdays at 2 to hear Samantha and enjoy a time of fellowship over afternoon tea.

Congregational Meetings Dean Andreas will lead congregational meetings on August 23rd after each of the morning services.

Get to Know You At the two morning Bible studies on August 30, Dean Andreas will lead a “Get to Know You” session. The idea is that he will interview three people at each session (six people in total) asking them to tell some of their story: how they became a Christian and how their faith shapes their lives today. If you would like to volunteer to be interviewed please speak to the Dean or one of the other clergy.

Bellringers The St Paul's Cathedral Bellringers rang a quarter peal for the Provincial Choral Eucharist of the cathedral on Sunday 28th of June. The Bellringers are always recruiting and would love to speak to anyone interested in taking lessons. Contact Tower Captain Paige on 0400 063 741.

Baptism Confirmation and Reception Choral Eucharist will be held at 4pm this afternoon. 16 candidates will be baptised, they and 4 others will be confirmed, and 2 received into the Anglican church by Bishop Alison Taylor and our own clergy. Please come along to this multi-lingual service to support the candidates from our Farsi, Mandarin and English congregations. PLEASE NOTE, following this, there will not be a 6pm service.

TWO CATHEDRAL EOFY FUNDRAISING APPEALS

Farsi Ministers and ECC We are so pleased that Revds Pedram and Leili Shirmast have joined us on a shared full-time load. We need to raise funds for their stipend and to enable Pedram to lead our ECC program during Canon Chris Carolane's sick leave. The total cost of funding these ministries for the next twelve months will be roughly \$150,000. Tax deductible donations can be made via the Melbourne Anglican Foundation:

<https://melbourneanglicanfoundation.au/donate-migrants-refugees-settlement-fund/> choosing 'St Paul's Cathedral' or the Office. We much value your support!



Halo Heaters Isn't it lovely and warm in the front part of the nave thanks to our new Halo Heaters? We are now hoping to connect the next four heaters towards the entrance of the Cathedral and also place Halos into the Macartney and Ascension Chapels. We are raising a total of \$750,000 to upgrade our electrical infrastructure. Again, tax deductible donations can be made via the Melbourne Anglican Foundation: <https://melbourneanglicanfoundation.au/donate-melbourne-anglican-cultural-organisation/> choosing 'Light Up St Paul's Cathedral' or the Office. Thank you for your gifts!



ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Our friends at St Jude's Carlton are raising funds to replace the organ which was destroyed in the terrible church fire in 2014. Costs are \$250,000 and tax-deductible donations can be made through the Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation, by navigating to "St Jude's Carlton Organ Appeal".

OUR ADVOCACY FOR JUSTICE

First Nations Justice We want to see a more just settlement for all Indigenous People. Our Governing Body, the Cathedral Chapter, supports the path to reconciliation outlined in the Statement from the Heart through Voice, Treaty, Truth Telling and Makarrata (Justice). We provide resources so that we can educate ourselves and value respectful and informed debate on this important issue.

Refugee Justice We want to see a strong, supportive and diverse society. That's why we campaign for refugees and seek to build greater public awareness about asylum seekers. We provide free cultural and language classes, and work to be a safe place where migrants and refugees can make new friends and rebuild their lives.

Climate Justice We want to see greater and quicker action to mitigate the climate crisis we face. We're an inaugural member of Victoria's Climate Pledge, TAKE2, and work to reach net zero as soon as possible. That's why we use only energy from renewable sources and take continued action to reduce our waste and emissions.

Safe Kids and Families We strongly condemn any form of abuse - in church, at our workplace, or in the home - and are committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable people. Our staff and volunteers complete training and relevant checks. If you have any concerns about child safety, please ring 1800 135 246 (Kooyoora Professional Standards). If you face family violence and need help, please ring 1800 732 732 (1800 RESPECT) or 13 92 76 (13 YARN) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Crisis Support.

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 48; Romans 1.26-32

Tues: Ps 50; Romans 2.1-11

Wed: Ps 51; Romans 2.12-24

Thurs: Pss 54, 55.1-12; Romans 2.25-3.8

Fri: Pss 56, 57; Romans 3.9-20

Sat: Pss 62, 63; Romans 3.21-31

Next Sunday: Genesis 29.15-28; Psalm 128; Romans 8.26-39; Matthew 13.44-58

CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 10am-6pm, Saturday 10am-5pm, Sundays during Services

LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

Sunday 8am & 10am

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mon 20 July	12.15pm Holy Communion 2.30pm English Conversation Class 5.10pm Evening Prayer in Simple English
Tues 21 July	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong 6.30pm Lowther Hall Chamber Strings Concert (Open to school community)
Wed 22 July St Mary Magdalene	12.15pm Holy Communion 1pm Lunchtime Concert: Robert Sholl (Organ) 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Thurs 23 July	12.15pm Holy Communion 2pm Thursdays at Two: Samantha Clarke, Ambassador for Mercy Ships Australia 2pm Anglican Schools Service 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Fri 24 July	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Sat 25 July St James the Apostle	12.15pm Holy Communion 1pm Farsi Fellowship کلیسای جامع پولس رسول ملبورن پذیرای فارسی زبانان عزیز می باشد و جلسات پرستشی به زبان فارسی، هر هفته شنبه ها ساعت ۱۲:۱۵ ظهر برگزار می شود.
Sun 26 July	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>) <i>Preacher: The Revd Leili Shirmast</i> 10am Choral Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Revd Leili Shirmast</i> 1pm Mandarin Service 圣保罗大座堂有一个中文群体在每个星期日下午一点正崇拜 <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Robert Vun</i> 4pm Choral Evensong <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Lydia Thangadurai, Succentor</i> 6pm Gather at St Paul's Sung Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Lydia Thangadurai, Succentor</i>