



St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer

The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

Vocations Sunday

30 August 2026, 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!

At this service we follow Christ's command to remember him in the breaking of the bread. During the distribution of communion, all baptised Christians are welcome to receive and eat the bread and wine; others may receive a blessing. If you would prefer neither, please remain in your seat.

THE SERVICE LEADERS

President: The Revd Pedram Shirmast, Assistant Priest; *Preacher:* The Revd Simon Li, Assistant Curate; *Cantor:* Canon Philip Nicholls, Director of Music.

THE 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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father,
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. 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.

Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 3.1-15

Read by Jamie Pearce

A reading from the Book Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Come no

closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the Lord said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” ¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” ¹²He said, “I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

¹³But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” ¹⁴God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” ¹⁵God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’:

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.

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

PSALM 105.1-6, 23-26

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

O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name:
tell among the peoples what things he has done.

Sing to him, O sing praises: and be telling of all his marvellous works.

Exult in his holy name: and let those that seek the Lord be joyful in heart.

Seek the Lord and his strength: O seek his face continually.

Call to mind what wonders he has done:

his marvellous acts, and the judgements of his mouth,

O seed of Abraham his servant: O children of Jacob his chosen one.

Then Israel came into Egypt: and Jacob dwelt in the land of Ham.

There the Lord made his people fruitful: too numerous for their enemies,
Whose hearts he turned to hate his people:

and to deal deceitfully with his servants.

Then he sent Moses his servant: And Aaron whom he had chosen.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 12.9-21

A reading from the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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 Matthew: 16.21-28
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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

THE SERMON

The Revd Simon Li, Assistant Curate

THE NICENE CREED

We stand and together affirm the faith of the church as we say:

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 *Sarah*, Archbishop of Canterbury, *Mark*, our Primate, *Ric*, 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 HOLY 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.

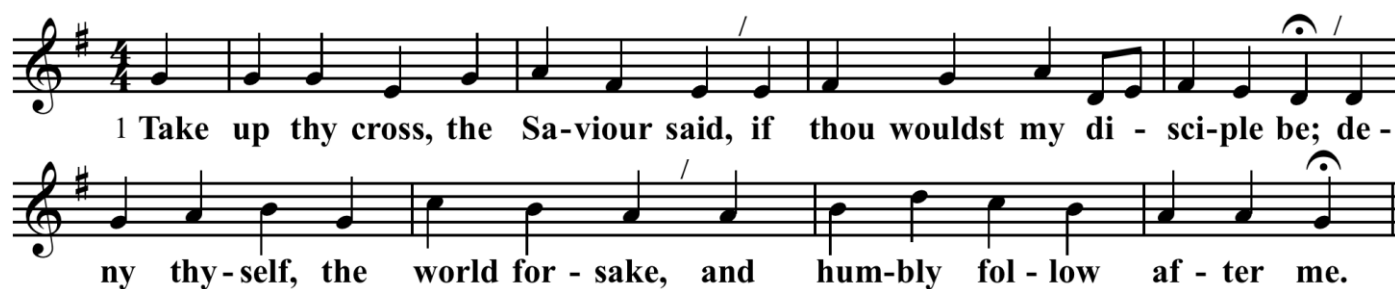
Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. **Amen.**

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



2
Take up thy cross; let not its weight
fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
his strength shall bear thy spirit up,
and brace thy heart,
and nerve thine arm.

3
Take up thy cross;
nor heed the shame,
nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
the Lord for thee the Cross endured,
to save thy soul from death and hell.

4
Take up thy cross then
in his strength,
and calmly every danger brave;
'Twill guide thee to a better home,
and lead to victory o'er the grave.

5
Take up thy cross, and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only they who bear the cross
may hope to wear
the glorious crown.

Charles Everest (1814-77) alt.
New English Hymnal 76

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.

Please be seated for

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 We give thanks that God calls all people to his friendship, and to faithful discipleship as his followers, and today we pray particularly for our own Cathedral community, as we each discern God's will for us in ministry. We pray for the Bishops Megan, Nigel and Ben to be consecrated on 19 September, and all those preparing for Baptism and Confirmation. We continue to pray for peace: in Ukraine and Russia, in the Middle East and South Sudan. We pray for those facing the aftermaths of earthquakes in Colombia, Venezuela and Indonesia; all those battling the Ebola virus in central Africa, and seeking to contain the bird-flu outbreak in our own country.

FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION The Church in the Province of the West Indies (Abp Philip S. Wright).

FOR THE AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH Mission Agencies: Church Army; Mission to Seafarers; Anglican Overseas Aid Agency.

FOR THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE The Cathedral Chapter: Rhys Bezzant, Genieve Blackwell, Matthew Williams, Denise Nicholls, Bob Derrenbacker, Kate Drummond, Helen Dwyer, Paul Glass, Andreas Loewe, Naomi Nayagam, Philip Nicholls, Toni Meath, Nigel Pope, Brian Rosner, Neil Sigamoney, Ric Thorpe, Tim Watson; Relationship Matters.

FOR OUR CATHEDRAL Our Dean, the Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe; the Cathedral Chapter and Sub-committees: Culture & Heritage, Finance & Risk Management, and Projects & Buildings.

FOR THOSE IN SICKNESS OR NEED Stephen Ames, Rowena Armstrong, Cynthia Balderstone, Chris Carolane, Cecilia Cheng, Ken and Robyn Dusting, Cecilia Francis, Glen Gersch, Noelene Horton, Greg Hurworth, Gaye Loughrey, Esme Mitchell, Selina Ong, Susan Ross, Skipper family, Vinson family, Lesley and Ray Way and all those struggling with mental health challenges, addictions, loneliness, and despair that they would find hope, support, and the healing love of Christ.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED Simon Carey Holt, Senior Minister of Collins Street Baptist Church

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

30 August	Colin Henry Duncan (Priest, Canon) 1981
31	Barbara June Henderson (Congregation) 2006
3 September	Jean Woods (Wife of Archbishop Frank Woods)
4	Robin Edwards (Congregation) 1980
	Joan Lorna Nesbit (Congregation) 2013
5	Burne Whittaker Brooker (Priest, Congregation) 2010

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 Cathedral office 9653 4333. 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.

Bible Studies Thank you to everyone who has attended the Genesis Bible studies and to the Cathedral clergy for their leadership (Tim, Andreas, Lydia and Peter). On Sep 6 the 11.45am study group will start a six-week series looking at parables in Matthew. The 9.15am group will continue its practice of discussing the morning sermon. Visitors and newcomers are always welcome. Any questions to Canon Peter MacPherson.

Vocations Sunday, 30 August Today is Vocations Sunday when we think about God's call on us: our Cathedral Curate, the Revd Simon Li will preach at the 8am, 10am and 1pm services. At the 6pm service, Virginia McDonald, Theological Student and Disability Inclusion Consultant, Diocese of Melbourne will preach. If you are discerning what God is calling you to do next in your journeys of discipleship, please talk to a member of the Cathedral clergy team.

Get to Know You At the two morning Bible studies today, Dean Andreas will lead a "Get to Know You" session. He will interview a number of people at each session, asking them to tell some of their story: how they became a Christian and how their faith shapes their lives today.

Choral Evening Prayer for St Phoebe Day, Sunday 30 August, 4pm The Revd Dr Robyn Whittaker from Pilgrim Theological College, Associate Professor of New Testament Studies and Director of The Wesley Centre for Theology, Ethics, and Public Policy, will be the preacher at the Choral Evening Prayer for Saint Phoebe Day this afternoon. There will be light refreshments in the Barbara Darling Room following the service.

Lunchtime Concert, Wednesday 2 September, 1pm: Angela Deng (Violin) and Rhodri Clarke (Piano) Accomplished young violinist Angela Deng, 15, has won many awards and prizes both locally and internationally. She is delighted to present a captivating program with renowned pianist Rhodri Clarke, featuring Beethoven's Violin Sonata No. 7 and Sibelius's Violin Concerto, alongside the sparkling charm of Kreisler and the dramatic virtuosity of Ysaÿe.

Welcomers Training Date Welcomers training session will be held at 2pm on Saturday 12 September in the David Penman Room. This will be a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the role of a welcomer, as well as a meeting to prepare for our end-of-year services. Members of the congregation must RSVP to attend, so please contact the Succentor, the Revd Lydia Thangadurai, at succentor@stpaulscathedral.org.au if you are interested.

24/7 Prayer Week Next Sunday sees the beginning of 24/7 Prayer Week, when we will again be hosting a variety of prayer stations and events in the Cathedral, including a Prayer Youth Night on Friday, 11 September, commencing at 6pm, followed by a night of worship on Saturday, 12 September, commencing at 7pm. All are invited to join us in prayer.

TWO CATHEDRAL 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!



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 83.1-18; 1 John 1

Tues: Pss 1, 2; 1 John 2.1-11

Wed: Pss 5, 6; 1 John 2.12-17

Thurs: Ps 9; 1 John 2.18-29

Fri: Pss 11, 12; 1 John 3.1-10

Sat: Pss 15, 16; 1 John 3.11-24

Next Sunday: Exodus 12.1-14; Psalm 149.1-5; Romans 13.1-10; Matthew 18.10-20

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mon 31 August	12.15pm Holy Communion 2.30pm English Conversation Class 5.10pm Evening Prayer in Simple English
Tues 1 September	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Wed 2 September	12.15pm Holy Communion 1pm Lunchtime Concert: Angela Deng (Violin) and Rhodri Clarke (Piano) 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Thurs 3 September <i>St Gregory the Great</i>	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Fri 4 September	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Sat 5 September	Chinese Anglican Churches Conference
Sun 6 September	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>) <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Bob Derrenbacker</i> 10am Choral Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Bob Derrenbacker</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 Peter MacPherson,</i> <i>Canon for Preaching and Teaching</i> 6pm Gather at St Paul's Sung Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter MacPherson,</i> <i>Canon for Preaching and Teaching</i>

CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

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

LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

Sunday 8am & 10am