



St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer

The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

27 September 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 and Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter MacPherson, Canon for Preaching and Teaching.

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 COLLECTS

Let us pray.

Merciful God, whose servant Vincent de Paul, by his ministry of preaching and pastoral care, brought thy love to the sick and the poor: give to all thy people a heart of compassion that by word and action they may serve thee in serving others in their need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 17.1-7

Read by Eugene Chin

A reading from the Book Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarrelled with Moses and said, "Give

us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

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

PSALM 78.1-4, 11-16

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

Give heed to my teaching, O my people:

incline your ears to the words of my mouth;

For I will open my mouth in a parable:

and expound the mysteries of former times.

What we have heard and known: what our forebears have told us,

We will not hide from their children, but declare to a generation yet to come:

the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works.

For he did marvellous things in the sight of their ancestors:

in the land of Egypt, in the country of Zoan.

He divided the sea and let them pass through:

he made the waters stand up in a heap.

In the daytime he led them with a cloud: and all night long with the light of fire.

He cleft rocks in the wilderness:

and gave them drink in abundance as from springs of water.

He brought streams out of the rock:

and caused the waters to flow down like rivers.

But for all this they sinned yet more against him:

and rebelled against the Most High in the desert.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10.1-13

A reading from the First Epistle of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be ignorant, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that

followed them, and the rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not become idolaters as some of them did, as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." ⁸We must not engage in sexual immorality, as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. ¹⁰And do not complain, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. ¹¹These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. ¹²So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. ¹³No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

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: 21.23-32
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why, then, did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd, for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not,' but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same, and he answered, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him,

but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him, and even after you saw it you did not change your minds and believe him.

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

THE SERMON

The Revd Canon Peter MacPherson,
Canon for Preaching and Teaching

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.

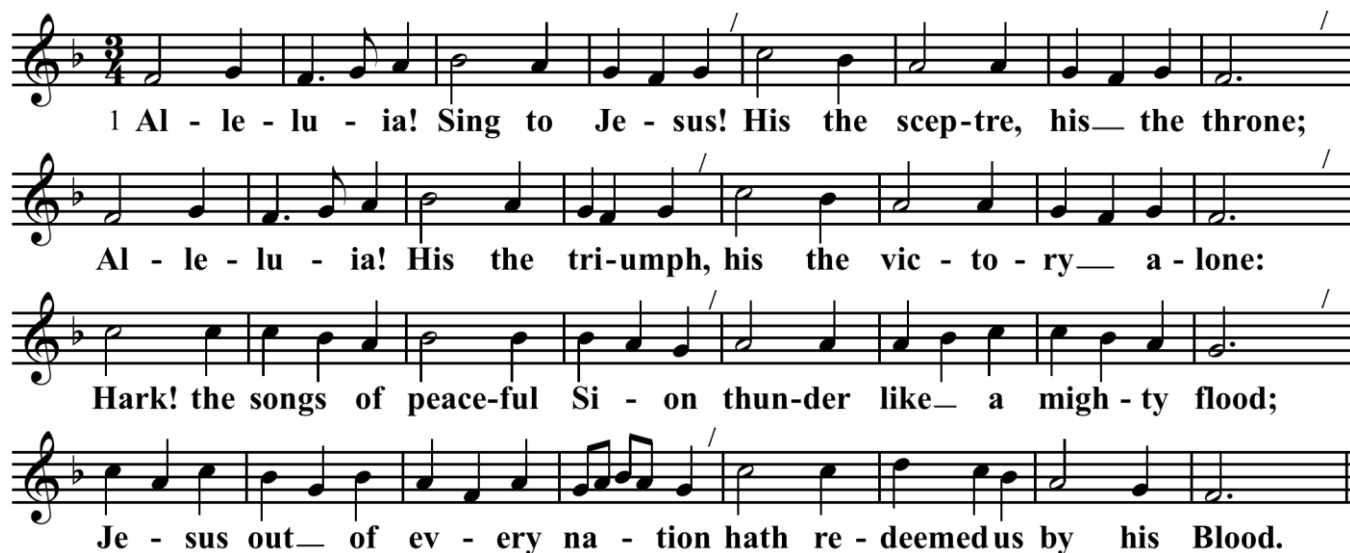
Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. **Amen.**

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



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the sceptre, his— the throne;
Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri-umph, his the vic - to - ry— a - lone:
Hark! the songs of peace-ful Si - on thun-der like— a migh - ty flood;
Je - sus out— of ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his Blood.

2
Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now.
Alleluia! He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3
Alleluia! Bread of angels
thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal
 thee the Lord of lords we own;
 Alleluia! Born of Mary,
 earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
 thou within the veil hast entered,
 robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
 thou on earth both Priest and Victim
 in the Eucharistic feast.

William Chatterton Dix (1837–98)
Hymns Ancient and Modern Revised 399

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 continue our prayers for justice and peace in places of suffering, especially the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and Russia, the Middle East, South Sudan and Yemen. We pray for refugees and all affected by war, violence and displacement; for aid agencies responding to humanitarian need; and for wisdom, courage and integrity among the leaders of nations. In our own community, as Victorians gather for the AFL Grand Final, we pray for safe travel and graciousness in competition, giving thanks for the ways sport can bring people together across differences; we also remember those for whom the long weekend will be marked by loneliness, grief, illness or hardship, that they may know the comfort, hope and companionship of Christ.

FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION The Church of Bangladesh (Abp Samuel Sunil Mankhin).

FOR THE AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia: The Most Revd Justin Duckworth; Pihopa o Tairāwhiti and Pihopa o Aotearoa: The Most Revd Don Tamihere; Bishop of Polynesia: The Most Revd Sione Ulu'ilakepa; Clergy, lay ministers and people.

FOR THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE Episcopal Area of Geelong - Bishop Nigel Pope; Archdeaconry of Williamstown; Werribee Deanery: St Thomas's Werribee, St Stephen's Karen AAC, Sojourners AAC, Epiphany Hoppers Crossing, Hope & Resurrection Community Church MP, St Eanswythe's Altona/St Clement Laverton, St Mark's Spotswood, Holy Trinity Williamstown, South Sudanese Dinka, Williamstown MP, St Peter's Jieeng AAC, Christ Church Newport, Christ Church Melton, Caroline Springs, Holy Trinity Bacchus Marsh, Emmanuel Karen Lara MP, Holy Trinity Lara; Anglicare Victoria.

FOR OUR CATHEDRAL Our Director of Music, Canon Philip Nicholls; Leading Musician, Miss Emma Warburton; Cathedral Organists, Mr Siegfried Franke, Mrs Roslyn Carolane, Dr Mark Slavec; the Cathedral Choir; the St Paul's Cathedral Music Foundation.

FOR THOSE IN SICKNESS OR NEED Stephen Ames, Rowena Armstrong, Cynthia Balderstone, Chris Carolane, Cecilia Cheng, Margaret Davis, Ken and Robyn Disting, Cecilia Francis, David Forbes, Glen Gersch, Noelene Horton, Greg Hurworth, Gaye Loughrey, Ray McInnes, 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 THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

- 27 Sep Lady Violet Brooks, (Philanthropist, congregation), 1988
Clifford Harris Nash (Priest, Canon) 1958
- 28 Noel Raymond Whale (Priest, 13th Precentor) 2023

- 30 Joy Napier (Congregation) 2009
 1 Oct David John Penman (Bishop, 10th Archbishop of Melbourne) 1989
 Kathleen Marjorie Hole (Congregation) 1986
 Gilbert Frederick Rusden (Congregation) 1990
 3 Mabel Tse (Congregation) 2025

NOTICES

Welcome to Visitors We welcome all visitors to the Cathedral for our worship services and a particular welcome if you are visiting Melbourne this weekend supporting one of the Grand Final teams.

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 This Sunday the 9.15am study group will be discussing the sermon on Ex 17.1-7 with the preacher Canon Peter MacPherson. At the 11.45am group John Morshead will lead a study on the parable of the Weeds from Matt 13. Both groups meet in the David Penman Room after morning tea. Visitors and newcomers are very welcome.

Baptism, Confirmation and Reception Preparation classes have begun at 11.45am in the Canon's Vestry and continue weekly until 15 November. The service of Baptism, Confirmation and Reception into the Anglican Church is planned for 4pm on Sunday 22 November. If you are interested in joining a class, please contact Canon Jane Window: jwindow@stpaulscathedral.org.au Mandarin speakers, please email Revd Simon Li sli@stpaulscathedral.org.au, and Farsi speakers, please email Revd Pedram Shirmast pshirmast@stpaulscathedral.org.au

Lunchtime Concert, Wednesday 30 September, 1pm: Brienne Gawler (Oboe) and Nathan Glenn (Piano) Oboist Brienne Gawler and pianist Nathan Glenn return to present another captivating program at St Paul's Cathedral, featuring works by Australian, American, French, and Russian composers. This program includes the evocative music of French oboe sonatas by Saint-Saëns and Poulenc, brand-new arrangements of excerpts from the iconic orchestral works *Scheherazade* and *The Nutcracker*, and the exciting world-premiere performance of *Once Upon A Dream* by Nathan Glenn!

Choir Holidays The Cathedral Choir is on holidays; there is no weekday Choral Evensong until 13 October. This morning Singularity Choir will join us for 10am Choral Eucharist.

Blessing of the Pets Service — Sunday 4 October, 6pm Bring your domestic animals to the Cathedral! At our 6pm Gather Eucharist on Sunday 4 October, we give thanks for God's good creation and for the animals who share our lives, praying God's blessing on them and on all who care for them. All creatures great and small are welcome—but please keep your animal on a lead or in a suitable carrier.

Walk About on Country, 23–24 November The Anglican Diocese of Bendigo invites you on a two-day Walk About on Country from Wangaratta to Barooga and Barmah. It includes cultural walks, tours and a light show, all designed to deepen understanding of Aboriginal culture, history and spirituality. It costs about \$500–\$600 per person, with meals and travel extra. Expressions of interest close Sunday 27 September. Contact the Rev'd Canon Shannon Smith at shannon.smith@bendigoanglican.org.au or on 0476 067 048.

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 71; Colossians 1.1-8

Tues: Ps 69.1-16; Colossians 1.9-20

Wed: Ps 72; Colossians 1.21-29

Thurs: Ps 74; Colossians 2.1-7

Fri: Ps 77; Colossians 2.8-15

Sat: Ps 78.16-38; Colossians 2.16-23

Next Sunday: Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3; Matthew 21.33-46

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mon 28 September	12.15pm Holy Communion
Tues 29 September	12.15pm Holy Communion <i>St Michael and All Angels</i>
Wed 30 September	12.15pm Holy Communion <i>Saint Jerome</i> 1pm Lunchtime Concert: Brienne Gawler and Nathan Glenn
Thurs 1 October	12.15pm Holy Communion
Fri 2 October	12.15pm Holy Communion
Sat 3 October	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 4 October	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>) <i>Preacher: The Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe, Dean of Melbourne</i> 10am Choral Eucharist <i>Preacher: The Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe, Dean of Melbourne</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 Leili Shirmast, Assistant Priest</i> 6pm Gather at St Paul's Sung Eucharist with Blessing of the Pets <i>Preacher: The Revd Leili Shirmast, Assistant Priest</i>

CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

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

LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

Sunday 8am & 10am