St Paul's Cathedral

Together transforming our City and Diocese

Holy Communion
according to the Book of Common Prayer
The Twenty-Third Sunday After Trinity
8 November 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 Dr Tim Watson, Precentor.
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.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Please be seated for the readings

THE FIRST READING — Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25

Read by Eugene Chin

A reading from the Book of Joshua.

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. [2]And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. [3]Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

14"Now, therefore, revere the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness;
put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt and
serve the Lord. 15Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day
whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region
beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living, but as
for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

16Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to
serve other gods, 17for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up
from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs
in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went and among all the
peoples through whom we passed, 18and the Lord drove out before us all the
peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the
Lord, for he is our God."

19But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God.
He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. 20If you
forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm and
consume you, after having done you good." 21And the people said to Joshua, "No,
we will serve the Lord!" 22Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses
against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said,
"We are witnesses." 23He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among
you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." 24The people said to
Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." 25So Joshua
made a covenant with the people that day and made statutes and ordinances for
them at Shechem.

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

PSALM 78.1-7

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.
He established a law in Jacob and made a decree in Israel:
which he commanded our ancestors to teach their children,
That future generations might know, and those yet unborn:
that they in turn might teach it to their children;
So that they might put their confidence in God:
and not forget his works, but keep his commandments.

THE SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4.9-18

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

Now concerning love of the brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anyone
write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another,
[10]and indeed you do love all the brothers and sisters throughout Macedonia. But
we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more, [11]to aspire to live
quietly, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we directed
you, [12]so that you may behave properly toward outsiders and be dependent on no
one.

[13]But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those
who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. [14]For
since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will
bring with him those who have died. [15]For this we declare to you by the word of
the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by
no means precede those who have died. [16]For the Lord himself, with a cry of
command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will
descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. [17]Then we who are
alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet
the Lord in the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever. [18]Therefore encourage
one another with these words.

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: 25.1-13
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their
lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2]Five of them were foolish, and five
were wise. [3]When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4]but
the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, all
of them became drowsy and slept. [6]But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look!
Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those young women
got up and trimmed their lamps. [8]The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of
your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be
enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for
yourselves.' [10]And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those
who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut.
[11]Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12]But he

replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' [13]Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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

THE SERMON The Revd Canon Dr Tim Watson, Precentor

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.

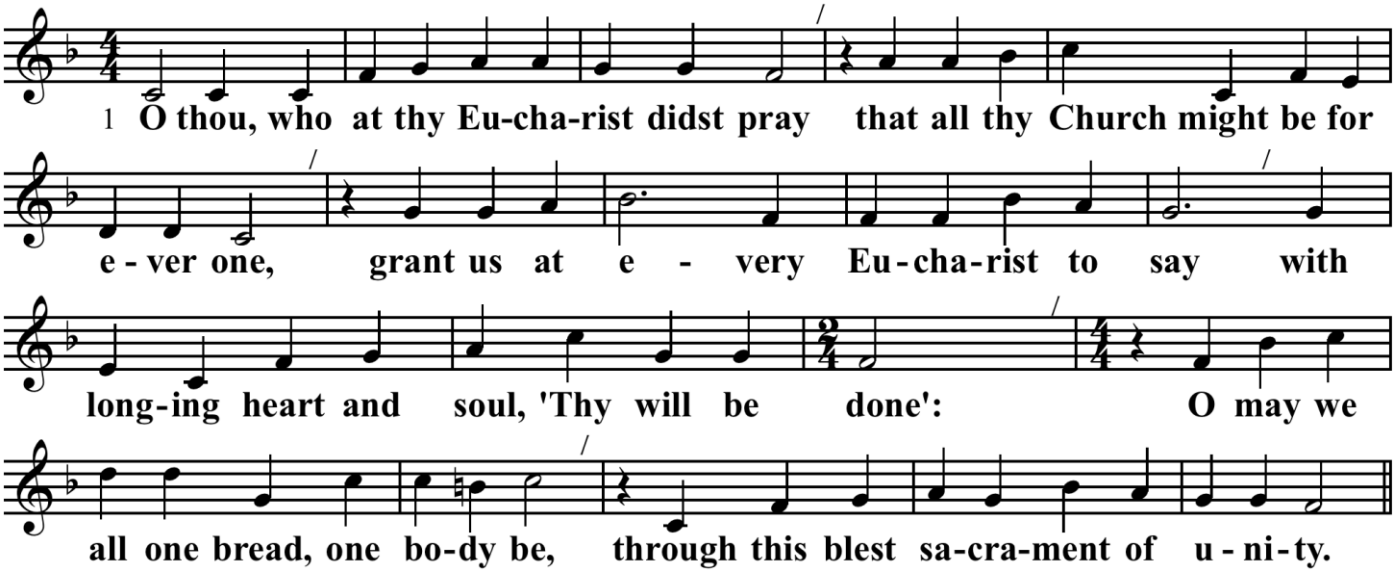
Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. **Amen.**

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



For all thy church, O Lord, we intercede;
make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of peace;
thus may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

We pray thee too for wanderers from thy fold;
O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep,
back to the faith which saints believed of old,
back to the Church which still that faith doth keep:
soon may we all one bread, one body be,
through this blest sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,
may we be one with all thy church above,
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,
one with thy saints in one unbounded love:
more blessèd still, in peace and love to be
one with the Trinity in Unity.

William Henry Turton (1856–1938)
Hymns Ancient and Modern New Standard 265

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 thank you for the results of the US midterm elections and pray for wisdom, unity and responsible leadership in the nation; we pray for the French blood storage facility affected by freezer hacking incidents, may essential blood supplies be protected, restored and safeguarded to save lives; we pray for the nine people who lost their lives in the Florida private jet crash, comfort the grieving families and loved ones; we lift up all those affected by the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo; bring healing to the sick, protection to healthcare workers and strength to affected communities; we condemn the horrific attack on the school in Komyshuvakha in Ukraine's Zaporizhzhia region, following the Russian strike, which claimed 40 lives and left 30 people missing; Lord comfort the bereaved, protect those still missing and bring an end to all acts of violence against innocent people.

FOR COP Please pray for COP 31, taking place in Antalya (the ancient Attaleia, visited by Paul and Barnabas) in the second week of November. Pray for resolve for the international community to curb carbon emissions, and to find and fund mitigations to combat the effects and impact of a changing climate, especially for low-lying islands in the Torres Strait and Pacific.

FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo (Abp Georges Titre Ande).

FOR THE AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH Diocese of Bunbury: Bishop Ian Coutts; St Bartholomew's Cathedral, Dean Darryl Cotton; clergy, lay ministers and people.

FOR THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE Episcopal Area of Nunawading, Archdeaconry of Box Hill, Deanery of Manningham: St Barnabas' Balwyn, Holy Trinity Surrey Hills, St Paul's Canterbury, St Stephen's Warrandyte, Holy Trinity Doncaster, St John's Blackburn, St Philip's Deep Creek, St David's East Doncaster, TIMA; Geelong Grammar School.

FOR OUR CATHEDRAL Our Canon Pastor, the Revd Canon Chris Carolane; our Succentor and Interim Cathedral Pastor, the Revd Lydia Thangadurai; our Seniors Group; pastoral ministry to the congregation; those preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage.

FOR THOSE IN SICKNESS OR NEED Stephen Ames, Rowena Armstrong, Cynthia Balderstone, Chris Carolane, Cecilia Cheng, Margaret Davis, Ken and Robyn Dusting, Cecilia Francis, Glen Gersch, Noelene Horton, Greg Hurworth, Gaye Loughrey, Esme Mitchell, John O'Donnell, Selina Ong, Skipper family, Vinson family, Lesley and Ray Way, Sally Yuge, 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

8 Reginald Jonathan Edward Hayman (Archdeacon) 1927
9 Arendina Maria Von Putten Horton (Congregation) 1986
Alan Arthur Patterson (Trinity College Foundation Studies) 2002
10 John Boyle Gason (Priest, Canon) 1915
11 Beth Griffith (Congregation, Flower Guild, Hospitality Group) 2015
Ann Grice (Benefactor) 1883
Percy William Robinson (Priest, Canon) 1952
Alan Edmanson Bainbridge (Asst. Cathedral Treasurer) 2004
12 Lawrence Edgar Styles (Priest, Canon) 2011
13 William Chalmers (Bishop, Canon) 1901
14 Sir James Kerr Merritt (Lay Canon) 1942

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 This Sunday the 9.15am study group will meet with the morning preacher, Canon Tim Watson, to discuss the sermon. At the 11.45am group Sue Hawley will lead the study on 1 Thessalonians 4. Both Bible study groups meet in the David Penman Room after morning tea. Visitors and newcomers are very welcome at either study.

Lunchtime Concert, Wednesday 11 November, 1pm: *Sounds of Sanctuaries* – Elissa Goodrich (Vibraphone) Music for vibraphone, including adaptations and improvisations with music by Barbara Strozzi (1619–1677), Marin Marais (1656–1728), and Monsieur de Sainte-Colombe (c. 1640–c. 1700), and original works from Elissa's recently (2026) commissioned work for Schwarzman Centre's Day of Psalms, Oxford, UK, and her *Waves and Bubbles* music for chamber quartet. *Waves and Bubbles – Turbulent Trajectories* is supported by Elissa's ANAT SYNAPSE 2026 residency.

Remembrance Day, Wednesday 11 November, 11am Please join us on the perron as we mark Remembrance Day and pause to pray for those that have fought and suffered through wars around the world.

Górecki Symphony No.3 'Sorrowful Songs', Saturday 14 November, 4pm A Remembrance-tide service of music and readings marking the 40th anniversary of the historic visit of Polish Pope John Paul II to the Cathedral. Including a complete orchestral performance of Polish composer Henryk Górecki's extraordinary 'Symphony of Sorrowful Songs' by Corpus Medicorum.

Bible Study Lunch, Sunday 29 November On Nov 29th there will be no 11.45am Bible study. Instead we will go for lunch to a nearby restaurant. You are welcome to come along. Contact Succentor Lydia Thangadurai, Sue Hawley or John Morshead.

Get to Know You On Sunday 6 December Dean Andreas will host the next "Get To Know You" sessions. He is looking for 5-6 volunteers willing to talk about how you came to faith, how you came to the Cathedral and how your Christian faith affects your daily life. There will be two sessions at 9.15am and 11.45am and you can volunteer for either time slot. If interested talk to Dean Andreas, the Succentor Lydia or Canon Peter MacPherson.

Alpha 2027 We are thinking about running the Alpha Course in 2027. As a first step we are looking to see who might be interested in joining a leadership team. If you are at all interested please talk to Canon Tim Watson or Canon Peter MacPherson. https://alpha.org.au/

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 22.1-22; Revelation 3.1-6
Tues: Ps 25; Revelation 3.7-13
Wed: Pss 28, 29; Revelation 3.14-22
Thurs: Ps 31; Revelation 4
Fri: Ps 35.1-17; Revelation 5
Sat: Ps 34; Revelation 6.1-11

Next Sunday: Judges 4.1-10; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11; Matthew 25.14-30

OUR ADVOCACY FOR JUSTICE

First Nations Justice We are committed to reconciliation and right relationship with First Peoples, and we long to see a more just settlement for all Indigenous people. Our governing body, the Cathedral Chapter, supports the path set out in the Uluru Statement from the Heart: Voice, Treaty, Truth-telling and Makarrata (justice). We pay a symbolic annual tribute to the Wurundjeri Lands Council. We also provide resources so that we can listen, learn and yarn together, and we value respectful and informed conversation on this important issue.

Refugee Justice We are explicitly and proudly multicultural, and want to see a strong, supportive and diverse society. We name, condemn and resist racism and any form of discrimination. That's why we campaign for refugees and build public awareness about people seeking asylum. We offer free cultural and language classes and worship in the languages of our congregations. We seek to be a safe place where migrants and refugees can belong, make new friends and rebuild their lives.

Climate Justice We are committed to the care of creation and the renewal of the earth, and we want to see greater and quicker action on the climate crisis. As an inaugural member of Victoria's climate pledge, we are working towards net zero. We use only energy from renewable sources and keep reducing our waste and emissions, and aim to share good-practice models of saving and generating energy.

Safe Kids and Families We will safeguard all people. We strongly condemn any form of abuse—in church, in workplaces or at home—and are committed to keeping children and vulnerable people safe. We want the Cathedral to be a genuinely accessible and safe space to belong and grow. Our staff and volunteers complete safeguarding training and the relevant checks. If you have any concerns about child safety, please ring 1800 135 246 (Kooyoora Professional Standards). If you are facing family violence and need help, please ring 1800 737 732 (1800RESPECT), or 13 92 76 (13YARN) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander crisis support.

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Mon 9 November	12.15pm Holy Communion 2.30pm English Conversation Class 5.10pm Evening Prayer in Simple English
Tues 10 November *Saint Leo the Great*	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Wed 11 November *Saint Martin of Tours*	11am Act of Remembrance 12.15pm Holy Communion 1pm Lunchtime Concert: Elissa Goodrich (Vibraphone) 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Thurs 12 November	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Fri 13 November	12.15pm Holy Communion 5.10pm Choral Evensong
Sat 14 November	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. 4pm Górecki Symphony No.3 'Sorrowful Songs'
Sun 15 November	8am Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*) *Preacher: The Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe, Dean of Melbourne* 10am Choral Eucharist with the Installation of the Revd Christine Croft as a Cathedral Canon and Holy Baptism *Preacher: The Very Revd Dr Andreas Loewe, Dean of Melbourne* 1pm Mandarin Service 下午 1:00, 中文普通话崇拜 *Preacher: The Revd Canon Robert Vun* 4pm Choral Evensong *Preacher: The Revd Canon Robert Vun* 6pm Gather at St Paul's Sung Eucharist *Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Tim Watson, Precentor*

CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

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

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Sunday 8am & 10am

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