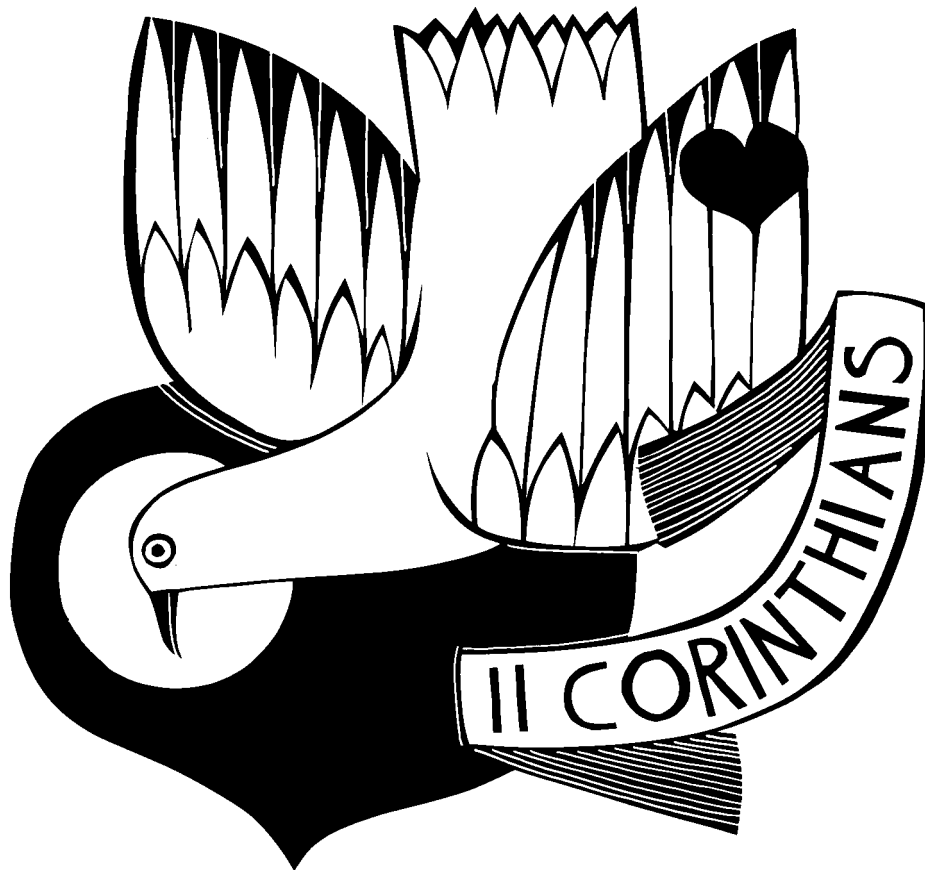




**Last Sunday after Epiphany
14 February 2021**



**Eucharist at 8 am and 10 am
Presider: Rev'd Prof Mark Lindsay
Sermon: Rev'd Canon Prof Dorothy Lee**

Preludes

Gathering in God's Name

Hymn 243 (sung with masks on)

F Gm F / Bb Dm Gm Bb C /
Dm F D / G C Am7 G C /
C Bb C / F Eb Bb / F C F
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

1. Christ upon the mountain peak
stands alone in glory blazing;
let us, if we dare to speak,
with the saints and angels praise him —
Alleluia!
2. Trembling at his feet we saw
Moses and Elijah speaking:
all the Prophets and the Law
shout through them their joyful greeting —
Alleluia!

3. Swift the cloud of glory came,
God proclaiming in its thunder
Jesus as his Son by name!
Nations, cry aloud in wonder —
Alleluia!

4. This is God's beloved Son;
Law and Prophets sing before him,
First and Last, and only One:
let creation now adore him —
Alleluia!

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In the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you

And also with you

It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who
has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of
the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4.6

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

The introduction to the confession

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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

The presiding priest pronounces the absolution

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The celebrant reads the prayer of the day
Almighty God,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us faith to perceive his glory,
that being strengthened by his grace
we may be changed into his likeness,
from glory to glory;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

A reading from the Second Book of Kings.

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho.

The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

(2 Kings 2:1-12)

*At the end
All*

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 50 (remain seated, sung with masks on)

Response

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics: "Be ex - alt - ed, O God, a - bove the". The second staff contains the bass line with lyrics: "heavens! Let your glo - ry o - ver all the earth be found." Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, A, D, Bm, E, F#, Bm, Gmaj7, G, A7, D.

Psalm 57: 5

1. The Mighty One, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
 2. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.
- Response.*
3. Our God comes, and does not keep silence,
before whom is a devouring fire,
round about whom is a mighty storm.
 4. God calls to the heaven above and to the earth,
that the people may be judged.
- Response.*
5. ‘Gather to me, my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!’
 6. The heavens declare God’s righteousness,
for he himself is judge!

Response.

tr. from the USA United Methodist Liturgical Psalter (1989) alt.

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

(2 Corinthians 4:3-12)

At the end
All

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Alleluia, **Alleluia**

This is my Son; my beloved; in whom is all my delight:
listen to him.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

(Mark 9:2-9)

At the end

This is the gospel of the Lord.

All

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Revd Canon Prof Dorothy Lee

The Nicene Creed

Let us affirm the faith of the Church.

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

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

After each section: Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

And at the end:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.
**Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your
grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Offertory

Please make your offering as you leave the church after the service.

Hymn 517 (sung with masks on)

The musical score for Hymn 517 is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is presented on a single staff with a treble clef. The accompaniment is provided by chords indicated above the staff. The chords are: F, C, F, Bb, C, F, Dm, Bb, C, F, C, F, Bb, C, F, Am, Dm, Gm, C7, F, Dm, Gm, C, F, C7, F, Bb, C7, F.

1. Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,
his the sceptre, his the throne;
hallelujah! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
hark, the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
'Jesus out of every nation
has redeemed us by his blood.'

2. Hallelujah! not as orphans,
are we left in sorrow now;
hallelujah! 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. Hallelujah! bread of heaven,
and on earth our food, our stay;
hallelujah! here the sinful
flee to you 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.

4. Hallelujah! King eternal,
you the Lord of lords we own;
hallelujah! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne:
you within the veil have entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest;
you on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

William Chatterton Dix 1837–98
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Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord
Our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and
praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah,
the light of the nations,
and revealed him as the hope
of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

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

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now
and for ever. Amen.**

As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:

**So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

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



Anthem: "O nata lux de lumine" Thomas Tallis (c.1505-85)
O holy light once born of light, Jesu redeemer of mankind,
with loving kindness pray receive the praise and prayer we
offer thee. Thou who once deigned to take on flesh to save the
souls of those who strayed. Grant us to live as members here
of thy most sacred body blest.

The sending out of God's People

God of the nations,
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.
Guide us by your presence,
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,
and establish your justice in the earth.

Father,
**we offer ourselves to you
as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Hymn 234 (sung with masks on)

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G major and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the first four measures, and the second staff contains the remaining four measures. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, A7, D, G, D, A, D, Em, F#m, G, Bm, A7, D.

1. How good, Lord, to be here!
your glory fills the night;
your face and garments, like the sun,
shine with unborrowed light.
2. How good, Lord, to be here,
your beauty to behold,
where Moses and Elijah stand,
your messengers of old.
3. Fulfiller of the past,
promise of things to be:
we hail your body glorified,
and our redemption see.
4. Before we taste of death,
we see your Kingdom come;
we still would hold the vision bright,
and make this hill our home.
5. How good, Lord, to be here!
yet we may not remain;
but since you bid us leave the mount,
come with us to the plain.

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May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives
may be a light to the world;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen

*“Fanfare: Shine, Jesus, shine” Christopher Tambling
(b.1964).*

*Please feel free to leave or stay during the Postlude. It is not
appropriate to applaud, the music accompanies the final
procession of the Liturgy.*

Morning tea will be served after the service.

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Recently departed: Lynne Chappel.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Vidya Fernandez, Daniel Joseph O'Brien, Judith Winsome Roberts, Ian Parker Roberts.

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Mission and Vision Statement

St Mary's Anglican Church, North Melbourne is an inner-city Christian community that strives to be faithful, inclusive and sacramental.

God inspires us to worship in daily celebration; to be caring, thoughtful and inviting.

In response to God's call, in the next three to five years we aim:

- *To grow substantially in faith and numbers*
- *To create an inter-generational culture that values all age groups - children and adults - equally*
- *To express our faith in active engagement within and beyond our own community*
- *To deploy our property and financial assets in strategic support of the ministry needs of the parish for the long term*
- *To become more open to change as we learn to grow*



St Mary's Parish Notices

PANCAKE PICNIC

Pancakes will be served after the service today by St Mary's Hospitality Committee.

IN-CHURCH SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

Please sign in when you arrive at the church. Please consider Internet banking for your offering. Bookings are not required. Masks are required to be worn while in church, including when singing.

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If you are available to help in the Church Garden, please contact Rhondda Fahey on 9329-4438.

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Meeting Tuesdays at 5.30 in the Church, and Sundays at 9.20 in the Hall. We welcome new members, understanding that everything is being conducted according to strict protocols. Please contact the Director of Music.

SHARING SUNDAY

On the first two Sundays each month we will bring non-perishable groceries and toiletries to share with Mission House Fitzroy. You can also donate directly to Anglicare. Please leave your donations in the Baptistery in the basket provided.

BOOK LAUNCH: 10 April 2021 at 4pm

The Ministry of Women in The New Testament, by Rev'd Canon Dorothy Lee, to be launched by Bishop Kate Prowd at St Mary's.

ASH WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2021

Services at 8.30 am, 12 noon and 6 pm.

Notices from the Diocese and Further Beyond

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TRAINING Saturday 27 February 2021**

Violence Against Women Response and Prevention training day to equip clergy and lay leaders in the Diocese of Melbourne.

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