

Twenty-Second Ordinary Sunday 28th August 2022

8am Presiding: Rev'd Prof Dorothy Lee (Associate Priest)
10am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra
10am Preaching: Rev'd Prof Dorothy Lee (Associate Priest)

Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne. Thank you for joining us in worship. Please join in saying the text marked in bold and singing the musical responses and hymns.

INTRODUCTION

A recurring theme in Luke's gospel is Jesus' reversal of the established order especially regarding the poor, the broken and the marginalised. The right way to God cannot be planned according to notions of human propriety. All are welcome at the Lord's table, and all are invited to eat bread in the kingdom of God.

Hymn 160



- 1. Father all-loving and ruling in majesty, judgment is yours, and condemns all our pride; stir up our rulers and people to penitence, sorrow for sins that for vengeance have cried.
- 2. Blessèd Lord Jesus, born humbly in poverty, sharing a stable with beasts at your birth, stir us to work for your justice and charity, truly to care for the poor upon earth.
- 3. Come, Holy Spirit, create in us holiness, lift up our lives to your standard of right; stir every will to new ventures of faithfulness, flood the whole church with your glorious light.

4. Holiest Trinity, perfect in unity, bind in your love every nation and race: may we adore you for time and eternity, Father, Redeemer and Spirit of grace.

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.



From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

The deacon introduces the confession

God shows his love for us in this: while we were still sinners Christ died for us. Sure of reconciliation through the death of his Son we confess our sins to God.

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

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



THE COLLECT

O God, you invite the humble and the sinful to take their place in the festive assembly of the new covenant; teach your Church always to honour the presence of the Lord in the poor and the outcast, so that we may learn to recognise each other as brothers and sisters gathered together around your table. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, forever and forever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah:

Hear the word of the Lord , O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel.

Thus says the Lord :

What wrong did your ancestors find in me

that they went far from me,

and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?

They did not say, 'Where is the Lord

who brought us up from the land of Egypt,

who led us in the wilderness,

in a land of deserts and pits,

in a land of drought and deep darkness,

in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?'

I brought you into a plentiful land

to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land,

and made my heritage an abomination.

The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord ?'

Those who handle the law did not know me;

the rulers transgressed against me;

the prophets prophesied by Baal,

and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord ,

and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns

that can hold no water.

Jeremiah 2.4-13

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 81 TIS 43

Response:



Verses:

Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob. Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the merry harp, and the lyre. *Response*

Blow the ram's-horn at the new moon, and at the full moon, the day of our feast. For this is a statute for Israel, a law of the God of Jacob. *Response*

I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of Egypt. Open wide your mouth and I will fill it. *Response*

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

Let mutual love continue.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.

Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers.

Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?'

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 13.1-8, 13.15-16

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 145



- The king of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine for ever.
- 2. Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.
- 3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.
- 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

- 5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6. And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

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Alleluia, Alleluia

Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart

Alleluia

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

THE GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

Luke 14.1, 14.7-14

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

NICENE CREED

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 GREETINGS OF PEACE

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.' The peace of the Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN 134



- 1. Praise, my soul, the king of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Praise him, praise him, hallelujah, praise the everlasting king!
- 2. Praise him for his grace and favour to his people in distress; praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: praise him, praise him, hallelujah, glorious in his faithfulness!
- 3. Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes:

praise him, praise him, hallelujah, widely as his mercy flows!

- 4. Frail as summer's flower we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone; but while mortals rise and perish God endures unchanging on. Praise him, praise him, hallelujah, praise the high eternal one!
- 5. Angels, help us to adore him, you behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space: praise him, praise him, hallelujah, praise with us the God of grace!

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THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life:

Blessèd be God for ever.

Blessèd 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.

Blessèd be God for ever.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is right to praise you, faithful God,

Always and everywhere,

For with your only begotten Son

And life-giving Spirit,

You are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing

A universe of beauty and splendour,

Bringing light from darkness

And order from chaos.

You formed us, male and female, in your image,

And endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.

You called us by name and searched us out,

Making a covenant of mercy,

Giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you,

Joining with your faithful people of every time and place, Singing the eternal song:



When the fullness of time was come, You sent your Son to be born of Mary. Bright image of your glory, He learnt obedience to you in all things, Even to death on a cross, Breaking the power of evil, Freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight. You raised him from death, Exalting him to glory, And the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed 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:



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

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

As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As 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.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.



AGNUS DEI

THE INVITATION

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

'A new Commandment'

William Mundy (1529-1591) Text: John 13:34

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more. **Amen**

Hymn 106



- 1. Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom the world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
- 2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessèd peace to cheer us. Lord, keep us in your grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
- 3. All praise and thanks to God who reigns in highest heaven, to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given: the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore, who ever was, is now, and shall be ever more.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

THE BLESSING

O God our Father, who in Christ hast raised up our humanity and fed us with the bread of heaven: mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings, we may set our hearts in the heavenly places; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: including Helen, Gerard, Ben and Annie, Calvin, Andrew, Susan, Jocelyn, Mandy, Jenny, Sasha, Martin, Pamela, Mavis, John, + John, Tricia and Neil, Paul, and Father Rob.

And, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Bruce Fentham.

If there is a name that should be included please advise the Parish Office by email <u>office@stmarys.org.au</u>

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ST MARY'S PARISH NOTICES

Victorian Anglicans Together

Victorian Anglicans Together (VAT) provides a forum for Anglicans from a broad spectrum of beliefs to meet together in unity and diversity. We work for renewal of the Church and its institutional structures to bring about God's just realm in responding to contemporary demands.

In light of the newly formed GAFCON 'Diocese of the Southern Cross' (DSC), VAT understands that:

1. DSC is not a diocese of the Anglican Church of Australia (ACA), but an Australian Public Company – Diocese of the Southern Cross Limited – whose directors are David Baker, Glenn Davies, and Susan Willis.

2. DSC would most likely appeal to clergy, parishes, and individuals in dioceses which it considers 'liberal'.

3. A clerk in holy orders must revoke their ACA licence to join DSC; it is unclear as to how Glenn Davies could issue a licence with any authority.4. There is no vehicle for a parish to join DSC and remain within its geographical and administering diocese.

5. Alternative episcopal oversight has proven to be problematic for individuals as well as worshipping communities.

6. ACA bishops have repeatedly said that parishes/AACs that wish to leave the Anglican Church of Australia will do so without any recourse to assets belonging to the Church.

VAT is committed to communion with the Archbishop of Canterbury.

VAT is sad to see the Church split in this way.

VAT wants to include people with a range of views.

VAT will continue to work for the diversity and to support the growth of the ACA and its ministries.

Join us.

For more information, email: victoriananglicanstogether@gmail.com

A statement on the launch of the company, the Diocese of The Southern Cross by Archbishop Geoff Smith in his capacity as Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia.

I note the formal launch this week of a company named the Diocese of the Southern Cross. This company, while established by some members of the Anglican Church of Australia and structured to mirror some of the characteristics of an Anglican diocese, has no formal or informal relationship or connection with the Anglican Church of Australia. As such it will operate independently from the Anglican Church as, effectively, a new denomination.

It is unfortunate that confusion may well result from the establishment of this organization among existing members of the Anglican Church of Australia and among people wishing to connect with the Anglican Church of Australia.

The meeting of the General Synod held in May this year clearly affirmed the view that marriage is between a man and a woman, and declined to affirm same sex marriage. It is perplexing therefore that the leaders of this breakaway movement cite the reason for this new denomination as the failure of General Synod to explicitly express an opinion against the blessing of same sex marriages.

It is always easier to gather with those we agree with. But in a tragically divided world God's call and therefore the church's role includes showing how to live together with difference. Not merely showing tolerance but receiving the other as a gift from God.

My conviction is that the Anglican Church of Australia can find a way to stay together, graciously reflecting God's great love, with our differences held sincerely. This week's announcement makes achieving that end more difficult but not impossible. I will continue to pray and work that God's call on the church will be realised and encourage others to do the same.

The Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith Archbishop of Adelaide and Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia

Choir Practice

Choir practice is on Tuesdays from 5.30pm to 7pm. If you have moved into North Melbourne, or are at all interested, please contact the Director of Music. All Covid protocols observed.

We are interested & keen to welcome new members of any age.

Please contact Bev if you'd like to be involved: bevjp@westnet.com.au

Delta Studies - Wisdom and Being Wise

Here are some of the topics that are being covered in this series: * Wisdom in the Hebrew Bible * Wisdom in the Gospels * Wisdom is St Paul, especially I Corinthians. * Wisdom in the Desert Fathers and Mothers * Wisdom in the Mishnah * Wisdom in St Augustine This study will take place at 11:30 in the Church. If you prefer to join online, pls use this link: <u>https://bit.ly/SaintMary-DELTA</u>

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Food Donations for St Marks

It's very cold and many of our neighbours don't have enough food to keep warm. In the past we have attended to this in two ways. First by contributing through the office to the Benevolent Fund. This provides meat to the kitchens at St Mark's Fitzroy, where people are provided with a hot meal. Second by providing non-perishable items like noodles or canned beans and soup or toiletries.

Leave them in the Baptistery on Sunday mornings and they will be taken to Anglicare at Fitzroy. Please buy an extra article or two when you do your own shopping. Thanks.

Hospitality Committee

Are you able to help with morning teas? The hospitality committee is seeking additional help. The current members are Helen, Susan, Denise and Marion. Please chat to them if you'd like to be involved.

Confirmation Classes

We will be holding confirmation classes later this year. If you'd like to be involved, please contact the office.

Giving to Support St Marys

We value your financial support. This helps us keep our doors open and fulfil our mission. You can donate by following this link or scanning the QR code:

http://st-marys-anglican-north-melbourne.square.site/



Or make a direct transfer to:

Account Name: St Marys Anglican Church North Melbourne

Bank: Westpac

BSB: 033 132 Account Number: 264412

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In order to plan our parish finances, we welcome pledges of support from parishioners. Forms are available from the Parish Office or the Stewardship Secretary (role shared by Andrew Murray and Darrell Pitt). Please note that pledges are confidential. Your identity will not be revealed to the Wardens, Parish Council or Vicar.

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or present. The Diocese of Melbourne is committed to doing all that is possible to ensure that abuse does not occur. All complaints of abuse are taken very seriously, and we do all we can to lessen harm. We offer respect, pastoral care and ongoing long-term support to anyone who makes a complaint. St Mary's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety is on our noticeboard and can be downloaded from our website www.stmarys.org.au.

PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246

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

