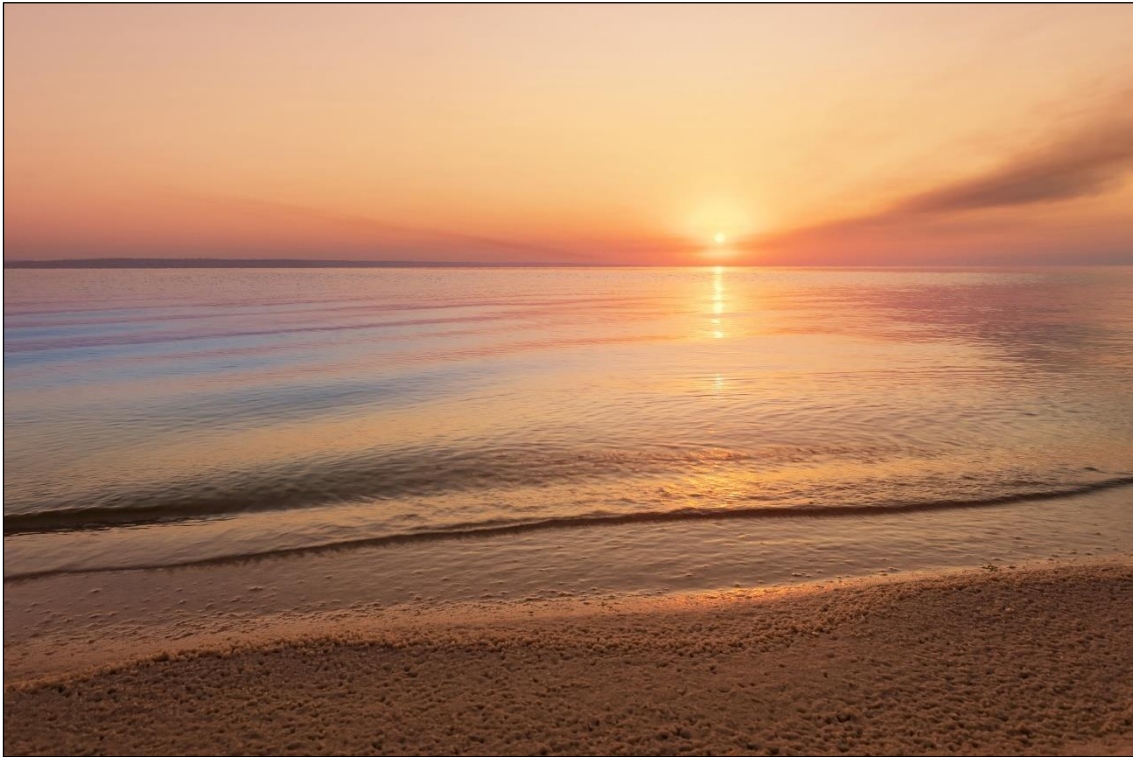




Season of Creation 3
18th September 2022



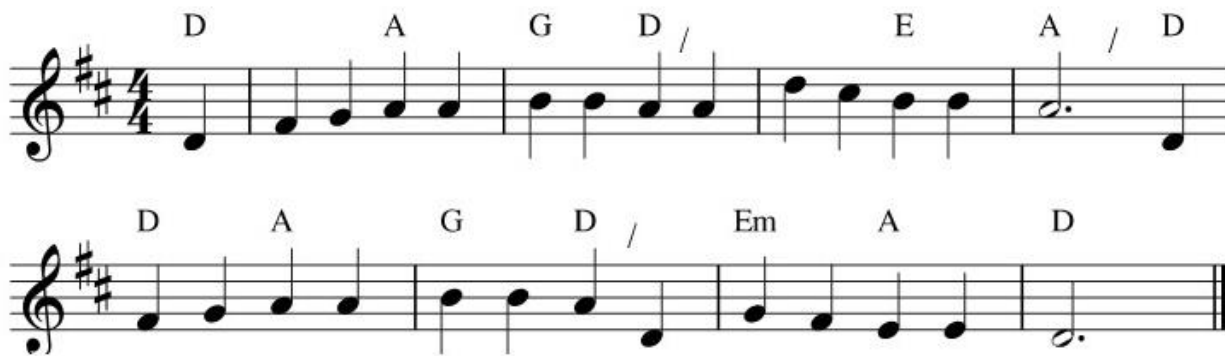
8am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Prof Dorothy Lee
10am Preaching: Rev'd Prof Dorothy Lee

*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

This is now week 3 in our series on creation.

HYMNAL 489 TIS 403



1. The great Creator of the worlds,
The sovereign God of heaven,
his holy and immortal truth
to all on earth hath given.
2. He sent no angel of his host
to bear this mighty word,
but him through whom the worlds were made,
the everlasting Lord.
3. He sent him not in wrath and power,
but grace and peace to bring;
in kindness, as a king might send
his son, himself a king.
4. He sent him down as sending God;
in flesh to us he came;
as one with us he dwelt with us,
and bore a human name.

5. **He came as Savior to his own,
the way of love he trod;
he came to win us by good will,
for force is not of God.**
6. **Not to oppress, but summon all
their truest life to find,
in love God sent his Son to save,
not to condemn mankind.**

Francis Bland Tucker 1939

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the 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**

Kyrie 2

Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy.

Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

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

The deacon introduces the confession:

God's whole creation groans. The land produces thorns and thistle and longs to be set free. Our sin affects all around us. We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Creator God, we confess that we have not honoured and obeyed you. We have broken our relationships with one another, abused your fragile creation, wounded your love and marred your holy image in us. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. Father, forgive us. Lead us from apathy to love. Strengthen us as stewards of your precious people and of your glorious creation for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed: forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of the kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Gloria 2



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for_ your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, _ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One: you a - lone are the Lord: you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the_ glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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

THE COLLECT

O God, you are rich in love for your people: show us the treasure that endures and, when we are tempted by greed, call us back into your service and make us worthy to be entrusted with the wealth that never fades. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the reading

A reading from Amos:

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
saying, 'When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;

and the sabbath,
 so that we may offer wheat for sale?
 We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
 and practise deceit with false balances,
 buying the poor for silver
 and the needy for a pair of sandals,
 and selling the sweepings of the wheat.'
 The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
 Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Amos 8.4-7

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 113 TIS 70

Response:

Response

D A Bm Em

May the name of the Lord be blessed for e - ver-more.

1 to RESPONSE 2 to VERSES Last time Em D

1. **Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!**
May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore. *Response*
2. **From the sun's rising to its setting, praised be the name of the Lord!**
High above nations is the Lord, high above heaven is God's glory. *Response*

- 3. Who is like the Lord our God, who has risen on high to the throne, yet stoops down from the heights above to look upon the heavens and earth? *Response***
- 4. From the dust God lifts up the poor, from the dirt the lowly are raised up, to be set in the midst of princes, yes, with princes of the people. *Response***

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SECOND READING:

A reading from Paul to Timothy:

I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these instructions to you so that,
if I am delayed, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and bulwark of the truth.

Without any doubt, the mystery of our religion is great:

He was revealed in flesh,
vindicated in spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among Gentiles,
believed in throughout the world,
taken up in glory.

Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will renounce the faith by paying attention to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons, through the hypocrisy of liars whose consciences are seared with a hot iron.

They forbid marriage and demand abstinence from foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.

For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, provided it is received with thanksgiving;

for it is sanctified by God's word and by prayer.

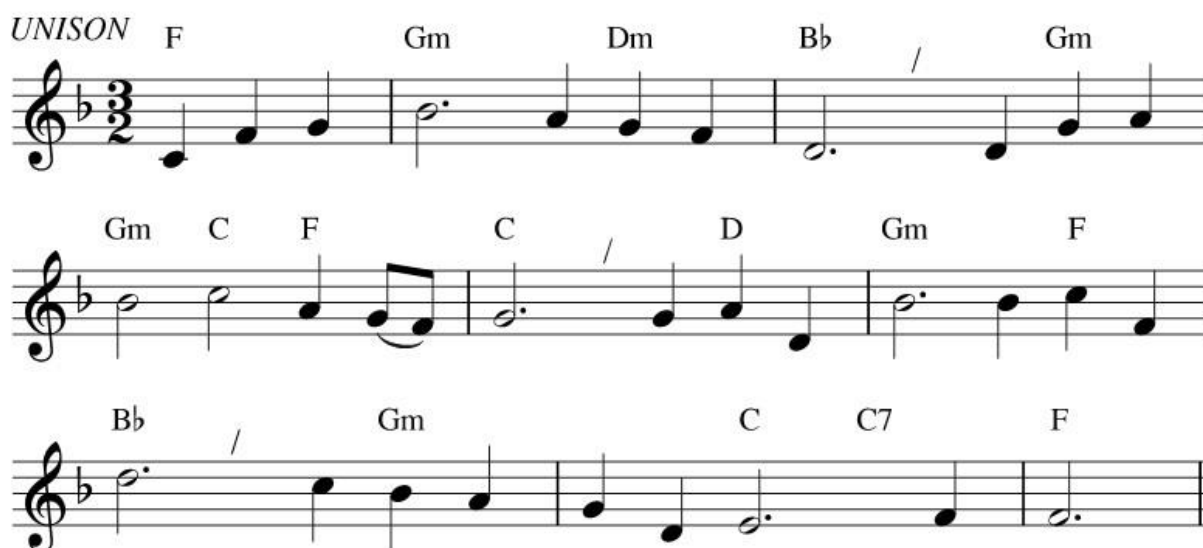
If you put these instructions before the brothers and sisters, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound teaching that you have followed.

1 Timothy 3.14-4.6

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN TIS 691



- 1. Faith will not grow from words alone,
from proofs provided, scripture known;
our faith must feel its way about,
and live with question-marks and doubt.**
- 2. The pattern Jesus showed, we share:
life comes through death, hope through despair.
God is made known in brokenness,
and faith feeds on God's emptiness.**
- 3. The church still tells how Jesus came
through death to glorious life again —
the strangest story! Yet, maybe,
our faith will thrive on mystery.**

4. **Faith takes the little that we know,
and calls for hope, and tells us: Go!
Love and take courage, come what may;
Christ will be with us on the way.**

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THE GOSPEL



Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Christ is the firstborn of all creation;
all things have been created through him and for him.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Saint Luke:

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Then Jesus said to the disciples, There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So the rich man summoned him and said to him, What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer. Then the manager said to himself, What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes. So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, How much do you owe my master? He answered, A hundred jugs of olive oil. He said to him, Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.

Then he asked another, And how much do you owe? He replied, A hundred containers of wheat. He said to him, Take your bill and make it eighty. And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

Luke 16:1–13

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.

INTERCESSIONS

8 am:

Caring God, we thank you for your gifts in creation:

The heavens tell of your glory;

For our land, its beauty and its resources,

For the rich heritage we enjoy.

We pray: For those who make decisions about the resources of the earth,

that we may use your gifts responsibly;

For those who work on the land and sea, in city and in industry,

that all may enjoy the fruits of their labours and marvel at your creation;

For artists, scientists and visionaries,

That through their work we may see creation afresh.

We thank you for giving us life;

for all who enrich our experience.

We pray for all who are deprived of fullness of life,

For prisoners, refugees, the handicapped, and all who are sick;

For those in politics, medical science, relief work, and for your Church,

for all who seek to bring life to others.

We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation.

Give us reverence for life in your world.

We thank you for your redeeming love;

may your word and sacrament strengthen us to love as you love us.

God, Source of all being, bring us new life.

Jesus, Redeemer, renew us.

Holy Spirit, strengthen and guide us.

God of peace, let us your people know, that at the heart of turbulence there is an inner calm that comes from faith in you. Keep us from being content with things as they are, that from this central peace there may come a creative compassion, a thirst for justice, and a willingness to give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ. **Amen.**

Let us pray for the world and for the Church:
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.**

We are the body of Christ: **his Spirit is with us.**
The peace of the Lord be always with you: **and also with you.**
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Verse

A⁹ A A^{maj7} A⁷

1 Beau - ty for bro - ken - ness, hope for des -

D Bm⁷ E C[#]7 F[#]7 B⁹ E

- pair, Lord, in the suffer - ing this is our prayer.

C[#] F[#]m D A

Bread for the chil - dren, jus - tice, joy, peace, sun - rise to

D Bm⁷ E⁷ A^{1, 3} D A

sun - set your king - dom in - crease.

E⁷ A^{2, 4, 5} Refrain

speak. God of the poor friend of the

F[#]m D Bm⁷ E E⁷

weak, give us com - pas - sion we pray; melt our cold

A C[#]7 F[#]m D Bm⁷

hearts, let tears fall like rain. Come change our love from a

E⁷ A

spark to a flame.

D.S. To end F[#] E A

1. **Beauty for brokenness,
hope for despair,
Lord, in the suffering,
this is our prayer.
Bread for the children,
justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset
your kingdom increase.**
2. **Shelter for fragile lives,
cures for their ills,
work for the craftsmen,
trade for their skills;
land for the dispossessed,
rights for the weak;
voices to plead the cause
of those who can't speak.**

*God of the poor,
friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray;
melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain.
Come change our love
from a spark to a flame.*

3. **Refuge from cruel wars,
havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary,
freedoms to share,
peace to the killing-fields,
scorched earth to green;
Christ for the bitterness,
his cross for the pain.**

**4. Rest for the ravaged earth,
oceans and streams,
plundered and poisoned,
our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness,
carelessness, greed;
make us content with
the things that we need.
*God of the poor ...***

**5. Lighten our darkness,
breathe on this flame
until your justice burns
brightly again;
until the nations
learn of your ways,
seek your salvation
and bring you their praise.
*God of the poor ...***

*Graham Kendrick 1950–
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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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you.	And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O God, eternal Wisdom, all you have made is beautiful and good. We thank you for darkness and light, for this earth and for our bodies, for growth and change and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination. In every generation you befriend your people. You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets, and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away. You were vindicated in your Son Jesus who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace. Though we rejected him, death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love. You raised him up for us, the firstborn from the dead, to build a new community of hope where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends. And so we praise you with Mary, mother of the living Word, and with all your faithful friends in heaven and on earth, as we join the angels' song:

**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.**

God of the feast, your household is hungry for the bread of heaven and the cup of life. Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration, so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it to share with them, and said: Take and eat this: it is my body. Do this in remembrance of me.

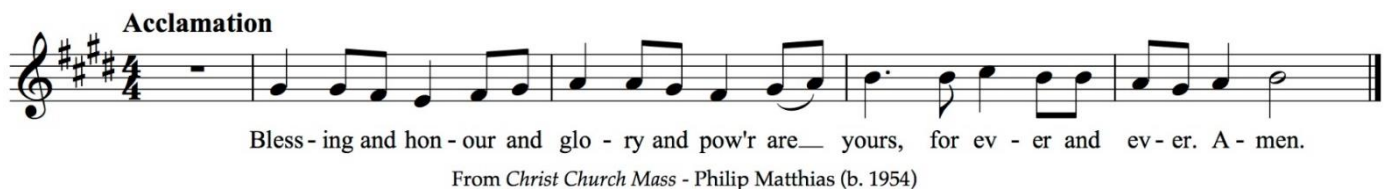
Then he took a cup of wine. Again he thanked you and said: Drink this, all of you: it is my blood, shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.”

So we delight to remember Jesus: the faithfulness of his life, the victory of his cross, the glory of his resurrection, the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.

We proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God, holy Wisdom, merciful and generous, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Make us good stewards of creation, with justice in our hearts, courage in our actions and power in our speech to bear witness to the truth. Protect us with your glory, unite your church in loyalty and love, and bring us home with all your saints to feast with you for ever. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, and in the Spirit’s grace, with heart and soul and mind and strength we love and worship you alone, O God:



THE LORD’S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

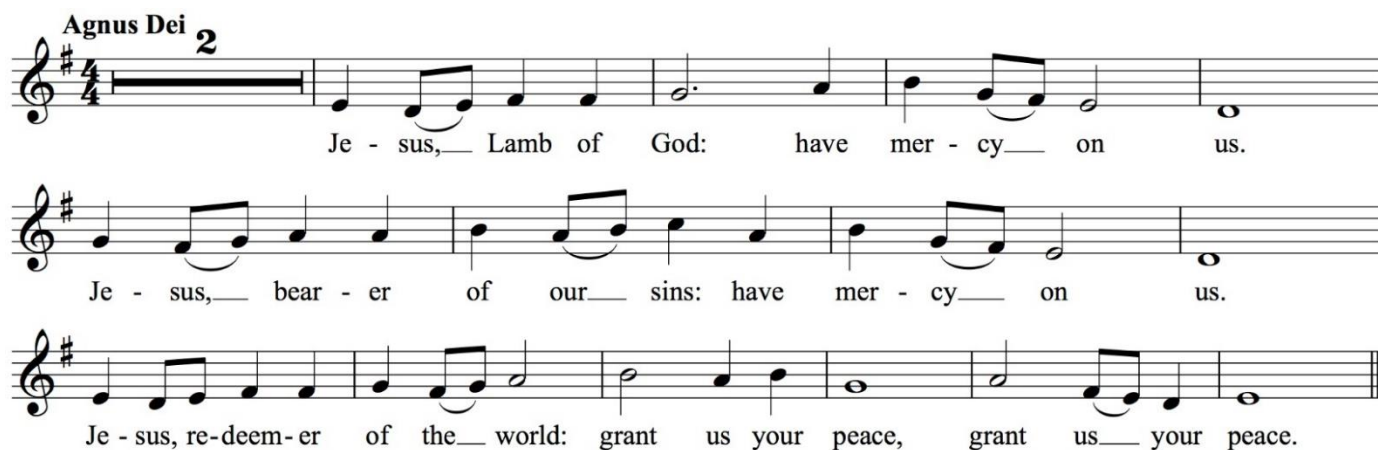
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread:
**so may your whole Church be gathered from the ends of the earth
 into your kingdom. Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei 2



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re-deem - er of the world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

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

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:

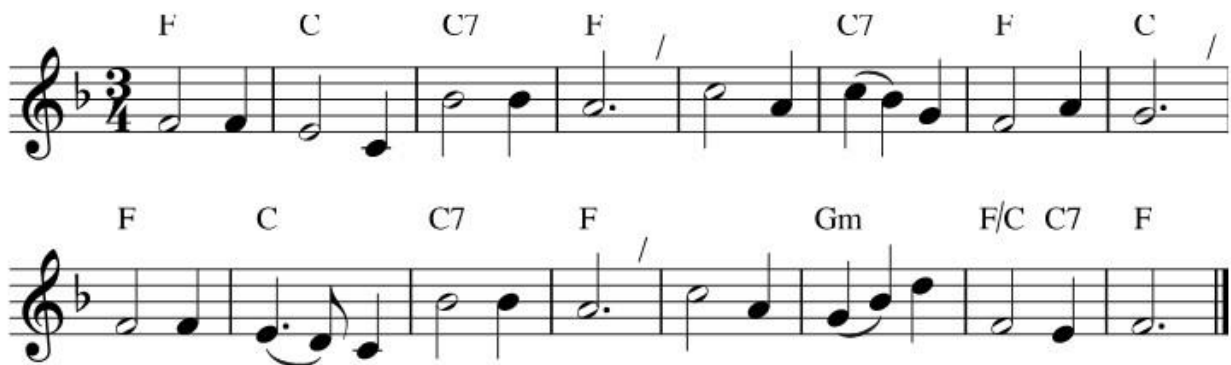
“Richard de Castre’s Prayer to Jesus”

*R. R Terry
 Carol A.D. 1430*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN 599 (ii)



1. **Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**
2. **Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.**
3. **Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.**
4. **Take my silver and my gold,
nothing, Lord, would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.**

5. **Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.**
6. **Take my love: my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.**

*Frances Ridley Havergal 1836–79 alt.
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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

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge of God and of God’s Son, Jesus Christ. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and 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 Gerard, Ben and Annie, Calvin, Andrew, Susan, Jocelyn, Jenny, Sasha, Martin, Pamela, Mavis, John, + John, Tricia and Neil, Paul, and Father Rob.

And whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Lawrence Jonas and Audrey Rodda.

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

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ALL WELCOME!

Roster – Who’s doing what?		
	September 18th	September 25th
8:00am Reader	Rhondda Fahey	Judie Bainbridge
10:00am Readers	Katie Holmes Michael Noble	Helen McCallum Josephine Snowdon
Serving Team	Peter O’Donoghue Andrew Murray	Peter O’Donoghue Andrew Murray
Welcome	Michael Noble	Michael Noble
Introduction & Intercessions	Josephine Snowdon	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Sam Miller	Paul Eikelboom
Kids Corner & Sunday School	School holidays	School holidays
Morning Tea	Margaret Noble Michael Noble	Marion Poynter Elizabeth Brookes
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1
Flowers	TBC	Helen McCallum

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 Baptistry 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.

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:*

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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*

