



5th Sunday of Easter

Sunday 18 May 2025

8am & 10am, Rev'd Robyn Boyd

Domestic Violence Sunday – an initiative of the Australian Anglican Church's Families & Culture Commission

Paschal Mass Setting by Richard Proulx

Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne.

Thank you for joining us in worship.

*Please join in saying the text marked in **bold**
and joining in the music.*

INTRODUCTION

Domestic violence impacts many people in our churches – as victims, as family or friends or supporters of those whose lives are torn apart by this evil. DV may be physical, sexual, emotional, financial, coercive. God sees and cares for those impacted by injustice and suffering and declares that such injustice has no place in the kingdom of God. In our Scriptures today, Christ's love is proclaimed – love that overcomes darkness, love that leads us to life, love that heals, love that enables us to bring life to others.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN TIS 153



1. God is love, let heav'n adore him;
God is love, let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.

God, who laid the earth's
foundation,
he who spread the heavens above,
and who breathes through all
creation,
God is love, eternal Love.

2. God is love, and gently enfolding
all the world in one embrace,
with unfailing grasp is holding
every child of every race.
And when human hearts are

breaking
under sorrow's iron rod,
then they find that self same
aching
deep within the heart of God.

3. God is love, and, though with
blindness
sin afflicts our human hearts,
God's eternal lovingkindness
holding, guiding, grace imparts.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever
o'er the universe must reign.

Timothy Rees 1874–1939 *alt.*

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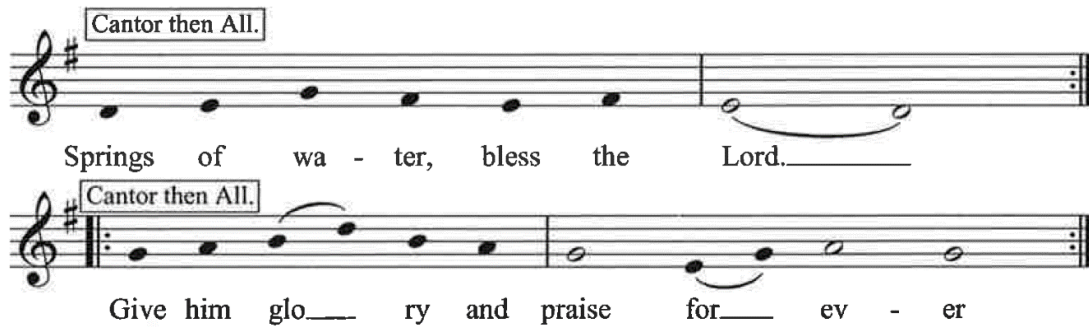
GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

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

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

Christ is risen, alleluia! **He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

[At 10am] The choir sings the Vidi aquam as all are sprinkled with water from the baptismal font.



Springs of water bless the Lord.

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Give him glory and praise for ever.

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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.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God calls us to live in the light of Christ, to speak truth with love, and to seek healing and restoration.

Let us confess the ways we have fallen short of God's purposes, the times we have remained silent when we should have spoken, or when we have used our words or power to wound rather than to heal.

Silence is kept

Let us confess 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.**

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.**

GLORIA

[Said at 8am, sung at 10am]

**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:
received 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.**

Choir/All



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



Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you - we



give you thanks we praise you for your glo-ry. Glo-ry to God in the high - est and



peace to God's peo-ple on earth. 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



sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa-ther, re - ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God in the



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



high - est and peace - to God's peo - ple on earth. A - men.

COLLECT

Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

We behold your glory, O God, in the love shown by your Son,
lifted up on the cross and exalted on high:
be glorified anew in the love we have for one another
as disciples of the risen Lord Jesus,
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Domestic Violence Sunday

God of liberation and light,
your Son Jesus came to set the oppressed free
and to proclaim the year of your favour.
Open our eyes to see those who suffer in silence,
give us courage to speak your truth with love and,
by your grace, empower us to be agents of your healing and hope
so that your church may be a place of safety and sanctuary,
where all may find freedom from fear
and the promise of new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Please sit.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, ‘Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?’ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ‘I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat.” But I replied, “By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.” But a

second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, “Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.” And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, “John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’

(Acts 11:1-18)

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

PSALM 148 (PSALTER #155)



1. Praise the Lord from the heavens; give praise in the heights.
Praise the Lord, all angels above; give praise, all hosts.
2. Praise the Lord, sun and moon; give praise, shining stars.
Praise the Lord, highest heavens, all waters above the heavens.
Response
3. Praise the Lord, you heavens above, for God spoke and you were created.
You were established forever; your courses shall not pass away.
4. Praise the Lord from the earth, creatures of the sea and all oceans,
fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that yield to God's
command, *Response*
5. all mountains and hills, all fruit trees and cedars,
beasts and all cattle, reptiles and flying birds,
6. all rulers and peoples, you that govern the nations.
Children and older ones, too, join to praise the Lord. *Response*
7. Praise the name of the Lord, for God alone is exalted.
The splendor of God's name reaches beyond heaven and earth.
8. God gives strength to the people. God be praised by all the saints,
By the children of Israel who are near to the Lord. *Response*

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SECOND READING

A reading from the Book of Revelation:

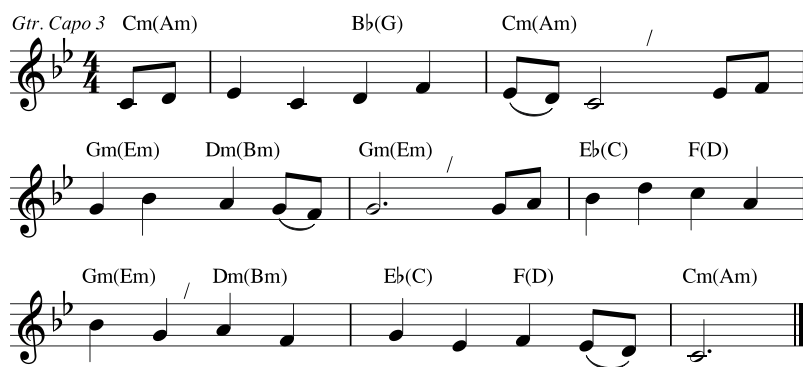
Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the

holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.’ And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

(Revelation 21:1-6)

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

GRADUAL HYMN TIS 683



1. God! When human bonds are broken
and we lack the love or skill
to restore the hope of healing,
give us grace and make us still.
2. Through that stillness, with your Spirit
come into our world of stress,
for the sake of Christ forgiving;
all the failures we confess.
3. You in us are bruised and broken:
hear us as we seek release
from the pain of earlier living;
set us free and grant us peace.
4. Send us, God of new beginnings,
humbly hopeful into life.
Use us as a means of blessing:
make us stronger, give us faith.
5. Give us faith to be more faithful,
give us hope to be more true,
give us love to go on learning:
God! Encourage and renew!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand.



Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia!**

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

[At 8am] Words only.

A reading from the holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.” I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

(John 13:31-34)

For 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.**

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**

PEACE
Christ is risen. Alleluia!

Please stand

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 434

Response

Gtr. Capo 1 Fm(Em) Bb7(A7) Eb(D) Cm(Bm) Eb(D)

Where there is cha - ri - ty and love, there_ the God of

love_ a - bides. - bides.

Ist and last times Before verses Verses

Fm(Em) Eb(D) Ab(G) Bb(A) Cm(Bm) Bb(A) Eb(D) Eb(D) Bb(A) Eb(D) Bb(A) Fm(Em) Fm(Em) Eb(D) Ab(G) Bb(A) Cm(Bm) Gm(F#m) Ab(G) Fm(Em) Eb(D)

1. The love of Christ has gathered us
as one:
rejoice in him with joy which he
imparts;
let us revere and love the living
God,
and love each other with
unfeigning hearts.
2. And so, when we are gathered here
as one,
let quarrels die, and envious
rancour cease;
be our resolve all bitterness to
shun,
and in our midst be Christ, his love
and peace.

3. O lead us, Master, by your saving grace,
to where the blessed glory in your sight;
there let us see and love you, face to face,
gathered once more in everlasting light.

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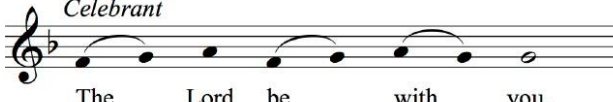





PREPARATION OF GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation ...

Blessèd be God for ever.


EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

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

All glory and honour be yours...

... for ever praising you and saying/singing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might.

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Merciful God, we thank you ...
Great is the mystery of faith:



Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded ...
... in songs of never-ending praise:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb - of God, Lamb - of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: mi - se - re - re no - bis, have
mer - cy on us. Have mer - cy on us.
Lamb - of God, Lamb - of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: do - na no - bis pa - cem,
grant us peace. Grant us peace.

INVITATION

COMMUNION

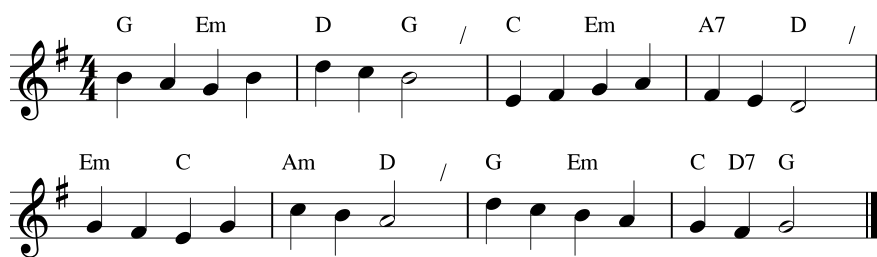
Anthem: *'I give you a new commandment'* by P Aston (1938), text from John 13:34-35.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

The Priest offers the prayer, followed by,

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. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN TIS 440



1. Christ, from whom all blessings
flow,
perfecting the saints below,
hear us, who your nature share,
who your mystic body are.
2. Join us, in one spirit join,
grant us still your help divine;
still for more on you we call,
you, O Christ, fill all in all.
3. Move, and animate, and guide:
various gifts to each divide;
- placed according to your will,
let us all our work fulfil;
4. freely may we all agree,
touched with loving sympathy;
kindly for each other care;
every member feel its share.
5. Love, like death, has all destroyed,
rendered all distinctions void;
names, and sects, and parties fall;
you, O Christ, are all in all.

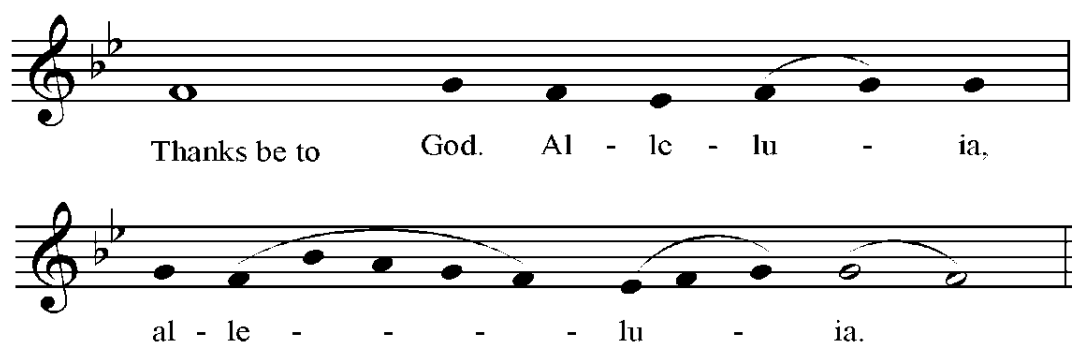
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!



Postlude

All are invited for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the Service.

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need, including Isaiah, Fr Frank Moloney and Fr Peter Treloar. As well as Sr Hilary, Community of the Holy Name (CHN) who recently departed.

Pray also for those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: John August Cory-Foster and Patricia Gladwell-Storey.

If there is a name to be included, please email office@stmarys.org.au (Names will be listed for 1 month unless otherwise specified)

Morning Prayer held on Mon/Wed/Fri, 8.30am. Click the link below <https://bit.ly/49910N4> Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706. Weekday Eucharist is on every Thursday at 12pm.

St Mary's Parish Notices

- For articles about domestic violence, please see <https://www.tencommitments.org.au/latest-articles> If you are unable to access these, please see Rev'd Robyn or email office@stmarys.org.au and a copy can be made for you.
- DV Sunday is an initiative organised by the Australian Anglican Church's Families & Culture Commission. If you wish to support this work with a one-off financial gift, please access www.charidy.com/dvsunday #HopeAndLight #AnglicanChurch #GiveHope
- Prayer Vigil before Election Synod will be held at St Mary's on Thurs 22 May, 7pm. For info lhopkins@trinity.unimelb.edu.au
- Reminder that the next two Parish Council Meetings have been rescheduled to Sun 25 May & Sun 22 Jun. The 2025 Reconvened Annual Parish Meeting will also be on Sun 25 May (printed flyers at the front porch).

- We will welcome Fr Stuart Soley with Induction of New Incumbent on Wed 11 June, 7pm as well as lunch following his first Sunday service on 15 June.
- We still need to fill in some gaps in the next roster for morning teas and welcomes. Support will be provided for new volunteers, please email office@stmarys.org.au
- Worldwide Communion Forest Project: make a commitment to caring for creation in either new or existing project of any scale. For info: [Intro to the Communion Forest.pdf - Google Drive](#) (printed copies available from the front porch) and [Every single tree counts as a blessing from God. Please, join in!](#) If you have a project idea that St Mary's can pursue together, speak to CAG members: Tim, Michael, Marion, Helen or Audrey.
- Beverley will be performing on Sun 18 May, 2.30pm (today!) at Cathedral Church of Christ the King (49 Lydiard St South, Ballarat Central). Faith Hope and Love with VOX vocal soloists and conducted by Helen Duggan. Tickets \$35/\$30/\$15 or \$75 family, book via www.trybooking.com/DAPYE (printed flyers at the front porch).
- The next AVE Patronal Edition will be published mid August, submissions can be sent to either David or office@stmarys.org.au
- Good Governance & Management in Your Parish: Sat 7 June, 9.30am-1pm at St Cuthbert's Church (83 Heyers St, Grovedale). Attendance is free, please register: www.trybooking.com/DAPLJ or contact chroper@trinity.unimelb.edu.au or 0407 419 330. The next intensive sessions will be on 6-8 Nov.
- St Mary's Events (printed poster/flyers will be available around the Church and at the front porch):
 - Soprano Lee Abrahmsen in Recital with Asher Reichman (tenor) & Raymond Lawrence (piano) on Sun 15 June, 3pm. Tickets \$40/\$20, please book www.trybooking.com/DBEPM
 - Sandpiper Trio (flute, cello & piano) will be performing on Sun 31 Aug. Works by Dillon, Tann, Faure & Haydn, further details coming soon.

- Thank you for your food donations to Anglicare Victoria/St Mark's Community Care. For tax deductible donations please visit <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/> - 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' - 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'.
- Your support for the Parish is appreciated. To authorise direct debit, contact Parish Treasurer via treasurer@stmarys.org.au For occasional/regular giving, direct funds to Parish Giving account with Anglican Development Fund: BSB: 703-122 / Acc: 05004687 / Acc Name: St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne.

<i>St Mary's Roster</i>		
	Sun 18 May 2025 Easter 5	Sun 25 May 2025 Easter 6
8:00am Reader	Andrew McKinley	Jen Langmead
10:00am Readers	Fabien Nunes Anne Sunderland	Elizabeth Brookes Geoff Jenkins
Serving Team	Anne Sunderland	Sam Miller Peter O'Donoghue
Welcome	Katie Holmes	Anne Sunderland
Introduction & Intercession	Geoff Jenkins	Alice Christofi
Video/AV	Sarah Gador-Whyte Sam Miller	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	N/A	N/A
Morning Tea	Katie Holmes Elizabeth Brookes	+2

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