

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

13TH June 2021

Welcome to Saint Peter's



10AM SUNG EUCHARIST

Clergy

Rev. Jonathan Chamberlain

Priest

Music

Mr. Andrew Kerr

Organist

Preacher

Mrs. Lucy Chamberlain

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

Welcome! Whether you are visiting Saint Peter's for the first time, come every week, or have been away from the Church for a long time, we're glad that you're here and we hope that you will join us for refreshments after the 10am service. Newcomers are encouraged make themselves known to the welcomers, and to the vicar. You can find more information about us at saintpeters.org.au.

COVID-SAFE PLAN

- People who have any COVID symptoms must not attend.
- Masks must be worn indoors. Masks are available at the door.
- Upon entry to the church, please use the hand sanitizer provided.
- Upon entry to the church, please register your attendance using the QR code provided.
- The maximum number of people permitted in worship at St Peter's is 50 plus on leader.
- There is no requirement to be socially distanced, though parishioners are asked to maintain social distance, where it is practicable to do so.
- A collection will be taken up during the offertory hymn.
- The peace is to be passed by gesture only, with no physical contact, remaining in your place. People in the same families may sit together and pass the peace in the normal way.
- Holy communion will be served, in bread and wine, with a drop of wine safely placed on each wafer.
- Morning tea will be served. Masks may be lowered while consuming food and drink.

Please switch off all mobile phones.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Come, all who hear;

brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, who in all things is wondrously reigning;
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining:
Have you not seen
all that is needed has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
as with his love he befriends you.

4. Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
who, when the godless do triumph, our best hopes confounding,
sheds forth his light,
scatters the horrors of night,
saints with his mercy surrounding.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the Amen
sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

The priest greets all in the name of the Risen Lord

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The priest says the sentence of the day

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

2 Cor 5.19

The priest introduces the prayer of preparation

Let us pray:

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.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The priest introduces the confession

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Kyrie eleison is sung

*Lord, have mercy (*3).*
*Christ, have mercy (*3).*
*Lord, have mercy (*3).*

The priest says

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

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 priest says 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.

The priest prays the Collect

Let us pray.
Almighty God,
without you we are unable to please you:
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

[all sit]

A reading from the first book of Samuel. 1 Sam 15.34-16.13

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

Samuel Anoints David

The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his

sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.' But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah. For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Psalm 120

Prayer for Victory

- 1 The Lord answer you in the day of trouble:
The name of the God of Jacob protect you!
- 2 May he send you help from the sanctuary:
and give you support from Zion.
- 3 May he remember all your offerings:
and regard with favour your burnt sacrifices.

- 4 May he grant you your heart's desire:
and fulfil all your plans.
- 5 May we shout for joy over your victory:
and in the name of our God set up our banners.
May the Lord fulfil all your petitions.
- 6 Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed:
he will answer him from his holy heaven
with mighty victories by his right hand.
- 7 Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses:
but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.
- 8 They will collapse and fall:
but we shall rise and stand upright.
- 9 Give victory to the king, O Lord:
answer us when we call.

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians. 5.6-10, 14-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

The Ministry of Reconciliation

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

[all stand]

GRADUAL HYMN

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest — to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & READING

Alleluia, alleluia!

Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses:
but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.

Psalm 20.7

Alleluia!

The priest reads the Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Chapter 4.26-34

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Parable of the Growing Seed

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

The Use of Parables

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

Sermon

THE PROFESSION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

The priest leads the congregation in the common confession

Priest Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son?

I believe in Jesus Christ,

God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The priest says

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The prayers are offered by a member of the congregation.

THE PEACE

The priest introduces the Peace.

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us
and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us turn to one another and offer a gesture of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

During the offertory hymn, the priest prepares the altar.

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

2. Open now the crystal fountain
whence the living waters flow:
let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

The priest says a prayer

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

All Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer. The sursum corda is sung

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

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.

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 singing:

The sanctus is sung

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.

...Great is the mystery of faith.

The memorial acclamation is sung

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

... in songs of never-ending praise:

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

The priest says

Rejoicing in God's presence among 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.
And forgive us our sins,
as we forgive
those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND COMMUNION

The priest breaks the bread.

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

The Agnus Dei is sung

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

The priest says

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.

The distribution of communion

Silence is kept

The priest prays the post communion prayer

Living God,
in this holy meal you will us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
which we have known in word and sacrament,
continue your saving work among us,
give us courage for our pilgrimage,
and bring us to the joys your promise.
All Amen.

**All 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.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Blessing

The priest says

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted;
give honour to all; love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal Hymn

1 O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hands hath made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

The Dismissal

The priest says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.