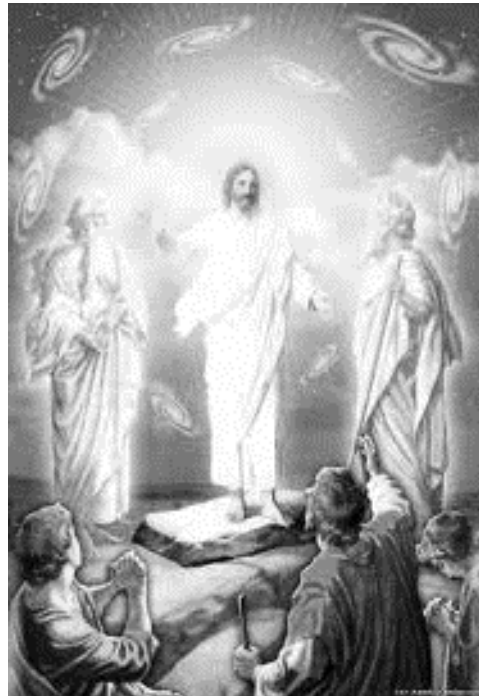


**ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
WARNCLIFFE ROAD, EAST IVANHOE**

**TRANSFIGURATION
LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
15th FEBRUARY 2015**



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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Sung Eucharist

WEDNESDAY

10.00 am Morning Prayer – Alan Tracey

CHURCH OFFICERS

Locum:	The Revd Dr Don Saines / The Revd Dr Pene Brooks	
Sacristan:	Lila Sanders	9842 3550
Hon Parish Secretary	David Morgan	94973928
Hon Treasurer	Vince Cristiano	9458 3552
Recorder	Pam Cristiano	9458 3552
Hall Booking	Barry Wilkes	Check calendar on Church website
Churchwardens	Neil Appleby	9432 5570
	Meron Pitcher	9459 7988
	Ted Smart	9497 1450
Organist/Choir Master	Roger Brown	0419 390563
Opportunity Shop	Mary Jones	9499 2268
Sunday Lunch Club	Julie Rush	9440 9069
Lunch Bookings	Rosalie Prince	9459 1554

SERVICE ROSTER FOR TODAY

Locum:	The Revd Dr Don Saines/ The Revd Dr Pene Brooks
Organist:	Cyril Thomas
Servers:	Denise Thomas, Chris Hayward, June Griffiths
Eucharistic Assistants:	Denise Thomas, Chris Hayward
Readers:	Steve Howard, Alan Tracey
Sidespersons:	Rosemary Cotter, Bob Hill
Flowers:	Denise Hall
Morning Tea:	Denise and George Hall
Church Cleaning:	Mary and Richard Hoy

There is a place of welcome around the Lord's Table for all, regardless of race, colour, religion, gender or sexuality.

LOCUM APPOINTED

From Sunday 22nd February The Revd Daniel Bol Nyieth has been appointed locum to the parish. His duties will be for Sundays plus 3 days and he will be available for emergencies. We welcome him with thanks.

Approaching the altar at communion . . . please follow the directions of the sidespersons up the right hand aisle (rather than the centre steps) then proceed to the next space to the left. Return to the pews down the left hand steps. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available on request

The Order of Service for the Eucharist commences at Page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.' The readings and hymn numbers for today will be found in this pew bulletin.

Introit: Blessed are the pure in heart - Walford Davies

Entry Hymn: 191 Christ is the world's light

Sentence: 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

Collect:

Eternal God, our glorious King,
whose Son Jesus Christ was transfigured
on the holy mountain
and seen in splendour by his chosen witnesses:
grant us, his followers, faith to perceive his glory,
to listen to him, and to walk in his way,
that we may be changed into his likeness
from glory to glory,
for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the second book of Kings

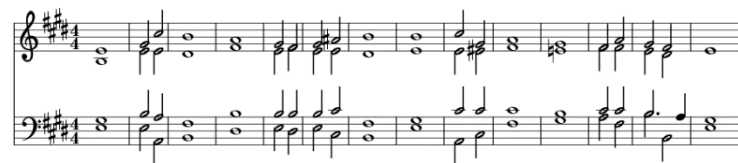
Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down 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.

May your Word live in us, **and bear much fruit to your glory.**

Psalm 50. 1-6



- 1 The Lord our God the | Mighty One . has | spoken:
and summoned the earth
from the rising of the sun to its | setting | in the | west.
- 2 From Zion | perfect . in | beauty:
God has | shone | out in | glory.
- 3 Our God is coming he will | not keep | silent:
before him is devouring fire
and | tempest | whirls a|bout him.
- 4 He calls to the | heavens . a|bove:
and to the earth so | he may | judge his | people.
- 5 'Gather to | me my | faithful ones:
those who by sacrifice | made a | coven.ant | with me.'
- 6 The heavens shall pro|claim his | righteousness:
for | God him | self is | judge.

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.

May your Word live in us, **and bear much fruit to your glory**

Gradual: 421 Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour we

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

A Reading from the Gospel according to St 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.

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

Prayers for those in need: Jack and Esmae Pimm, Valda Murphy, Lesley Tracey, Patrick Walsh, Hazel Coad, Jo, Elizabeth, Margaret and Ian, Chris Magee, Leanne and Harley, Eileen Elliot, Paul Finch, Rosemary Hayes, Dino, Vince O'Grady and others known to you.

We pray for those who love and care for them.

Year's Mind:

Gordon BEITH	15th February	1894
Frances Elizabeth LANGABEER	17th February	1971
Ida GIBSON	17th February	1975
Lauretto May CARRUTHERS	17th February	1991
Ian Murray JOHNSON	17th February	2000
Hugh James Thomas JOHNSON	19th February	1977
Ivo Sydney DUFFEL	21st February	1986

Offertory Hymn: 131 Fairest Lord Jesus

Communion Motet: Ave Verum Corpus - Byrd

Post Communion: 455 Be thou my vision

Organ Postlude: Festival Voluntary Opus 87 by Flor Peeters played by Cyril Thomas

Recordings of postludes played at St. George's are posted in the Music section of the church website <http://stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org>

Building Maintenance EMERGENCY contacts:

Vince Cristiano 0418 322206 Neil Appleby 9432 5570 Please write NON urgent maintenance items on the Building Maintenance List found on the table in the church.

Assistance needed to clean Evans Hall kitchen (prior to SLC re-starting on 1 March) **28 Feb.** The floor will need a thorough wash and clean, walls + cupboards + surfaces etc, and we won't be doing all this on the above days! Any volunteers?!

Willing hands please contact Rosemary on 9497 3928. Many thanks.

Readings for next Sunday: FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT Genesis 9.8-17; Psalm 5.1-10; 1 Peter 3.18-22; Mark 1.9-15

SERVICE ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 22nd February 2015

Locum: Daniel
Organist: Roger Brown
Servers: Sandra O'Grady, Denise Thomas, Joan Skene
Eucharistic Assistants: Joan Skene, Coral Tudball
Readers: Richard Hoy, Barry Wilkes
Sidespersons: Ian James, Bob Hill
Flowers: NO FLOWERS IN LENT
Morning Tea: Thelma Gray
Hall Cleaning: Peter McKay

OP SHOP ROSTER

Manager-Mary Jones 94992268

Wed 18 Alex Mori, Mary Anver Jan Peggie, Denise Hall
Thurs 19 Bronwyn Little, Cathy Smith Louise M., Marion White
Fri 20 Ann Farquhar, Alex Mori Jim & Maureen Shand
Sat 21 Karen Hyde, Janet Midegs, Joan Skene

A SOCIAL EVENING AT ST GEORGE'S

Sat. March 14th 7 for 7.30pm Evans Hall

Speaker: *Rose Stephens. Rose works as a Nursing Supervisor for Medicines Sans Frontieres. She is currently working with the Ebola Crisis in Liberia, Africa - due home in early Feb. Previous assignments have been in South Sudan and China.*

Cost \$40 per head (all inclusive) Payment "Up-front" -

DEADLINE Sunday March 1st - to Robert Stevens: (0412 397546)

Raffle: Donated items to Mary Jones.

RSVP Robert Stevens 0412 397546 by Sunday March 1st

Family and friends most welcome. Transport can be provided-Ian James 98529620

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKES 17th FEB – Cloisters

ALL WELCOME 6.00 pm. See Alison if you can help.

Opportunity Shop Meeting. All interested people are welcome to attend the meeting in the Meeting Room from 11.30 am Monday 23rd February.

Lenten Study Group starting Monday 23rd February 7.30-8.30 pm in the MeetingRoom for 6 weeks. Michael Danaher (our recent theological student) makes a welcome return to lead this on a book titled "Free of charge" by Miroslav Volf, a theologian. This was the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lenten study book for 2006. Abp Rowan Williams states

"Miroslav Volf, one of the most celebrated theologians of our day, offers us a unique interweaving of intense reflection, vivid and painfully personal stories and sheer celebration of the giving God. . . I cannot remember having read a better account of what it means to say that Jesus suffered for us in our place." Books will be available soon for approx \$13.00. List at back for names

COMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUN 15th FEB Last Sunday after Epiphany
TRANSFIGURATION
Said Eucharist 8.00 am
Sung Eucharist 10.00 am
PARISH COUNCIL 7.30 pm

TUES 17th FEB Shrove Tuesday Pancakes 6.00 pm

WED 18th FEB ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

SUN 22nd FEB First Sunday in Lent
Said Eucharist 8.00 am
Sung Eucharist 10.00 am

MON 23rd FEB Study Group-Michael Danaher

SUN 1st MAR Second Sunday in Lent
Said Eucharist 8.00 am
Sung Eucharist 10.00 am
Sunday Lunch Club 12.30 pm

SUN 8th MAR Third Sunday in Lent
Said Eucharist 8.00 am
Sung Eucharist 10.00 am

SUN 14th MAR Parish Social Evening 7.00-7.30 pm

**Bountiful God,
give to this Parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word
and minister your sacraments;
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry
and enable us to fulfil our calling.
Give to those who will choose, wisdom,
discernment and patience,
and to us give warm and generous hearts,
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen**

Reflection 3

This week's reading narrates the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Peter, James and John go with Jesus up a high mountain and there see him totally transformed by God's presence.

Up there with Jesus, they have a view "up above" which is very different to that "down below." Views from the mountaintops allow us to see into the far distance; it gives us a new perspective.

We frequently need to see things differently. We can become blinkered and entangled in our view of others and ourselves or of the circumstances in which we find ourselves. We can become ground down and limit ourselves so that we miss opportunities to grow and change.

God offers us the view from the mountaintop. It's a view formed in God's nature of love. When we know we are deeply loved and valued for whom we are, loving others becomes a more natural response. While our circumstances may not change, we find new ways of viewing them and new ways forward that are held in God's wisdom, forgiveness and love.



Looking down from Mt Bogong