

ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant: Rev'd Kristen Dillon Preacher: Rev'd John Sanderson

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday 17 September 2023 8am & 10am

MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Introit: Oculi Omnium (Wood)

Hymns: 46, 500, 446, 14

Motet: Psalm 19 (plainchant)

Postlude: March after Handel (Guilmant)

Organist: Roger Brown

Monday 18 8.30am Morning Prayer September Staff Sync and Coord 10am 7.30pm Meeting of St Georges Parish Council in the Parish Meeting Room **Tuesday 19** Vicar's Day Off September Wednesday 10am Holy Communion with prayers for Ukraine 20 September 2-4pm Fr John with Archbishop at LYCiG Learning Community, St Paul's Frankston LYCiG Local online 7pm **Thursday 21** Assistant Curate's Day off September 8.30-Fr John with Archbishop & Bishops Reimaging the 10.30am Future meeting at St Paul's Cathedral Online meeting with LYCiG UK 5.30pm 7.30pm Meeting of St Paul's Parish Council Friday 22 10am Holy Communion Benetas, Heidelberg, The Views September 4pm Ministry Team Weekly Review & Debrief Sunday 24 September Seventeenth Exodus 16.2-15 Sunday After Ps 105.1-6, 37-45 Philippians 1 Pentecost Matthew 20.1-16 5pm Jazz Vespers

THIS WEEK

MASS READINGS

Please use these readings in conjunction with the Order of Service for the Eucharist, commencing at page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia'.

INTROIT

Oculi Omnium

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

The eyes of all wait upon thee, [O Lord]; and thou givest them their meat in due season.

SENTENCE

If you, O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

PSALM 130.3-4

COLLECT

O God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the book Exodus

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

PSALM 114

1 When Israel went out from Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

- 2 Judah became God's sanctuary, Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea looked and fled; Jordan turned back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs.
- 5 Why is it, O sea, that you flee? O Jordan, that you turn back?
- 6 O mountains, that you skip like rams? O hills, like lambs?
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- 8 who turns the rock into a pool of water, the flint into a spring of water.

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's epistle to the Romans

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written,

'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

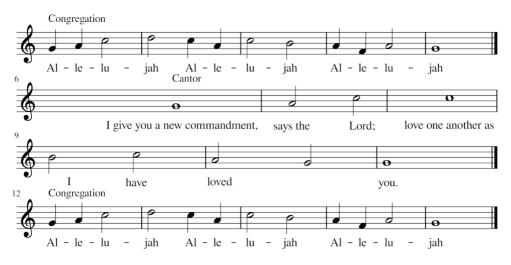
So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Let us therefore no longer pass judgement on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling-block or hindrance in the way of another. I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself; but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean.

Hear the word of the Lord,

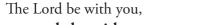
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



MATTHEW 18.21-35

GOSPEL



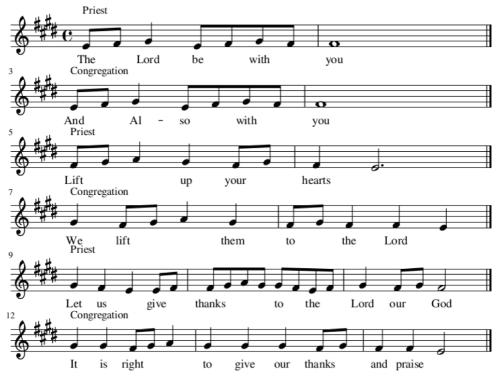


Hear the Gospel of the Lord according to - Glory to you Lord Jes - us Christ Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellowslaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellowslave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'



SURSUM CORDA



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

COMMUNION MOTET

Psalm 19

POSTLUDE

March on a theme of Handel Op.15

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Plainchant

PARISH PRAYERS

Murray Steele, Bill Pearson, Dr Helen Kouzmin, The Rt Rev'd Andrew St John, Wayne Oswald, Gabriel Pronobis, Alan Tracey, Bella Saadala, David Nolte, Dorothy Maher, Anthony Schiavone, Stephen 'Spud' Murphy, Frank McFall, Paul Finch, Colin Derbyshire, Rebecca Bowden, The Malek family, Katie Pittle, Hannah, Colin Summerbell, Fr Bill Edebohls, Vince Cristiano, Bob Hill, Matt Clay and his father, Faye, Rachel, Kyle, Lilly, Gwen Pearce, Pam Hill, Violetta Karama Wickvamasinghe and those known to you alone.

We pray for Fr John's ministry to Ivanhoe Grammar School as the School Chaplain, and for our involvement with that community.

We remember those who have died in recent days. We also recall with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

We pray for God's protection, peace and restoration for our parishioners who are travelling at this time.

We give thanks to God for Nan and Coral who will exercise a ministry of prayer for growth.

PRAYER FOR GROWTH

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

Anglican Board of Mission

God of all, bless the Anglican Board of Mission as it serves the Church in Australia and our partner churches overseas. Inspire its work and its vision that all may come to know your justice, your peace and your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



YEAR'S MIND

Sep 17	Harry GOURLEY	1962
Sep 17	Marjorie HAUG	1976
Sep 17	Annie THOMAS	1987
Sep 17	Linda McGUINESS	2017
Sep 18	Charles BRIGHT-PARKER	1938
Sep 18	Richard APPLETON	1970
Sep 18	Daisy KELLY	1972
Sep 18	Desmond CARTER	1981
Sep 19	Diana LONG	1981
Sep 19	Margaret McKINNEY	1998
Sep 19	Anthony JOSKE	2018
Sep 20	John BEERS	1984
Sep 20	Peggy CROSTHWAITE	1986
Sep 20	Lorna BURKETT	2012
Sep 21	John COLE	2008
Sep 21	Lily JUDD	1944
Sep 21	David BOYES	1987
Sep 22	Edith ROBERTSON	1967
Sep 22	Lucy BOYALL	1992
Sep 22	Ian HAIGH	1984
Sep 22	Elizabeth BROWN	2006
Sep 23	Peg BOORER	2021
Sep 23	Elizabeth BROWN	2006
Sep 23	Valerie CONNOCK	1986





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Live-Streaming of Services - YouTube

We live-stream our services and events via our YouTube channel, (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe). You may access our services, online via this link: https://stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org/online If you subscribe to our channel and enable notifications you will receive automatic alerts when we go live.

Opportunities to serve

The call of God upon us, is to a life of love and service to Him and one another. Have you prayerfully considered how God might want you to serve at St George's? There are a variety of roles currently unfilled. Please step out in faith trusting God for his enabling and ask John how you could be serving particularly around hospitality and prayer.

Thanksgiving Service for Hospital chaplaincy

NCCA Weekend of Prayer, Meditation and Reflection https://www.ncca.org.au/ncca-newsletter/august-2023-2/item/3168-nationalweekend-of-prayer-meditation-and-reflection-2026082

Wednesday Holy Communion service.

10am Wednesday Holy Communion service will now be conducted in the seating area just inside the church doors. This shorter, seated service provides easy access and comfort for anyone who may have mobility restrictions. We also enjoy the warmth of the morning sun. Please join us.

Prayer Group for Growth

We give thanks to God that Nan and Coral have discerned a call to lead intentional prayers for growth in this community, on a day and in a manner that works for availability. Let us uphold Nan and Coral in our prayers as they pray for us all.

Save the date

17 September Heidelberg Choral Society at 2.30pm

Faure's Requiem together with works by Stanford, Vaughan Williams and Rutter, being performed in St George's Anglican Church by the Heidelberg Choral Society.

Ticket link: https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1087578

For further information see fliers at the back of church (which have QR codes for booking tickets) or speak with Rosemary Cotter.

24th September – 5pm Jazz Vespers

1st October – 4pm Tudor Choristers – Elizabeth the Great

11th October 7.30pm The Brilliance

14th October Bring n Share

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St George's East Ivanhoe Musical Season of Invitation

September

Sunday 17th 2.30pm Heidelberg Choral Society Sanctuary

> Sunday 24th 5pm Jazz Vespers

October

Sunday 1st 4pm Tudor Choristers Elizabeth the Great

Wednesday 11th 7.30pm The Brilliance

Sunday 29th 5pm Choral Evensong Sir Christopher Wren

November

Saturday 25th 7.30pm Heidelberg Wind Ensemble Angels in the Architecture

December

Sunday 3rd 5pm Choral Evensong Christmas Bowl Appeal

> Sunday 10th 5pm Jazz Vespers for Advent II

Friday 15th 7.30pm Sing Nowell 23

Sunday 17th 9pm Nine Lesson and Carols

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