

# ST GEORGE PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE

# Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

# 8am Holy Communion

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

# 10am Choral Eucharist

Concelebrants: The Reverend's John Sanderson, Stacey Slater, Kristen Dillon Preacher: Rev'd Kristen Dillon

> Second Sunday of Advent - Peace Sunday 10 December 2023 8am & 10am

# **MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE**

Introit: *A tender shoot* (Goldschmidt) Hymns: 203(i), 197(ii), 211, 205(ii)

Motet: AHB 204

Postlude: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland (Bach)

Organist: Roger Brown

		THIS WEEK	
Monday 11	8.30am	Morning Prayer	
December	10am	Ministry Team Synch and Coord Conference	
	12pm	The Opportunity Shop Christmas Luncheon	
Tuesday 12		Vicars Day Off	
December			
Wednesday	10am	Holy Communion with prayers for Ukraine and the	
13 December		Holy Land, Israel and Palestine	
	4.45pm	Fr John at Chanukah celebration	
Thursday 14	7.30pm	Meeting of St Paul's Parish Council	
December			
Friday 15	10am	Holy Communion at Benetas The Views Heidelberg	
December	4pm	Ministry Team Weekly debrief	
	7.30pm	The Tudor Choristers – Sing Nowell '23	
Saturday 16	9am-	St George's Opportunity shop Christmas Fete with	
December	2pm	East Ivanhoe Village Traders	
Sunday 17 December			
		Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11	
Third Sunday		Song of Mary	
of Advent		1 Thessalonians 5.12-28	
		John 1.6-8,19-28	
	0.00		
	9pm	The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols	

## 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**

A tender shoot

Otto Goldschmidt (1829-1907)

### **SENTENCE**

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. For the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together.

Luke 3.4; Isaiah 40.5A

## **COLLECT**

Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way of our salvation: give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

# PSALM 85.1-2,8-13



- O Lord you were gracious | to your | land: you res | tored the | fortunes . of | Jacob.
- You forgave the iniquity | of your | people: and | covered | all their | sin.
- 8 I will hear what the Lord | God will | speak: for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful ones whose | hearts are | turned to | him.
- 9 Truly his salvation is near to | those that | fear him: and his | glory . shall | dwell . in our | land.
- Mercy and truth are | met to | gether: righteousness and | peace have | kissed each | other;
- 11 Truth shall flourish | out of . the | earth: and righteousness | shall look | down from | heaven.
- The Lord will also give us | all . that is | good: and our | land shall | yield its | plenty.
- For righteousness shall | go bef | ore him: and tread the | path be | fore his feet.

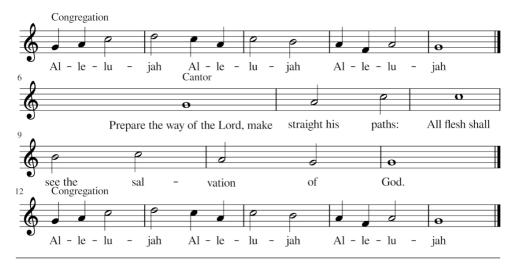
# A reading from Peter's second epistle

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given to him,

Hear the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**





Mark 1.1-8



The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

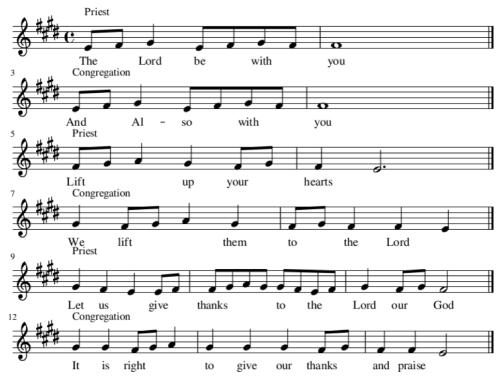
'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight",

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'



## **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**

AHB 204

### **POSTLUDE**

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland BWV 661

J.S.Bach (1685-1750)

### 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, Libby Davis, Jan Peggie, Roger Douglas 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 pray for all those who mourn, as 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

## **Open House**

Loving God, thank you for the work of Open House. May the staff and volunteers show wisdom and compassion and be a positive influence in the lives of their participants. May we learn how best to collaborate with them to support the vulnerable in our local community. Amen.



# YEAR'S MIND

Dec 10	Vera CLARE	1980
Dec 10	Elsie GRAY	1978
Dec 10	Frederick SUTTON	1980
Dec 12	Denys ROBERTS	1961
Dec 12	Noel FERGUSON	1997
Dec 12	Henry ATKINS	1975
Dec 13	Thomas McMICKING	1987
Dec 13	Albert JUDD	1969
Dec 14	Ethel TUTTON	1980
Dec 14	Lilian BENNET	1989
Dec 14	Ella CRANE	2000
Dec 15	Joan ALMOND	1999
Dec 15	Florence GREAVES	1999



# **PARISH NOTICES**



Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to 'like' and 'follow' us on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesEastIvanhoe) and to subscribe to our YouTube channel (St George Peace Memorial Church East Ivanhoe). Please take the time to 'like' and 'follow' our new Facebook presence @HeartEdgeMelbourne (https://www.facebook.com/HeartEdgeMelbourne). where you might find news of our HeartEdge initiatives.

## 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.

## 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 thank God for the Nan and Coral's ministry of prayer for growth as we have welcomed a range of new people to Sunday services and other church activities in recent weeks. Let us continue to uphold Nan and Coral in our prayers as they pray for us all.

#### Nan's Stall – Mission Partners

Please take the time to visit Nan's bookstall as we have had a range of books, leaflets and information packs arrive from a range of mission agencies. Judging by how many booklets remains I suspect that not many of us visit this section of Nan's staff often.

#### Advent 2023 Resources

We are not running formal Advent groups in 2023 as we maintain our focus on inviting friends, neighbours, colleagues, and family to join us for one of the services or concerts we have in this season. However, you will find available today in the pew bulletin and at the entrance to Church 'An Advent Reflection' from our mission partner Anglican Overseas Aid. This evening at Choral Evensong we will launch the 2023 Christmas Bowl in partnership with our mission partner Act for Peace. There are also envelopes from Act for Peace in the pew bulletin, which provide details of how the appeal supports people in need around the world. Our mission partner Anglican Board of Mission has also provided us with envelopes for Advent and Christmas as they seek to support the work of Wontup-Bi-Buya and Nungalinya Colleges. For your prayerful and practical consideration.

#### Save the date

15th December 7.30pm The Tudor Choristers Sing Nowell '23

**16th December 9am-2pm St George's Opportunity Shop Christmas Fete** Bring your family and friends to browse through our shop and stalls full of unique Christmas gifts.

17th December 9pm The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols24th December 5pm Children's Christmas Service24th December 11pm Midnight Mass



# St George's Events November December

#### Warncliffe Road, East Ivanhoe

#### <u>Saturday 11th November</u> Remembrance Day Service 10.50am

For those looking for a very simple ritual. Come and join us in the courtyard for a short communal act of Remembrance led by chaplain John Sanderson, Vicar of St Georges Peace Memorial Anglican church.

### 'Bring 'n Share Supper' 6.30 - 8.00pm A shared community meal in the Evans Hall. Come and meet new people, or catch up with old friends, and enjoy a occassional guest

old friends, and enjoy a occassional guest speaker in the comfort of the Evans Hall. Please bring some food to share.

#### Saturday 18th November, 9am-2pm Opportunity Shop Christmas Market

Looking for a gift for Christmas; why not pick a bargain from one of our stalls and support local not for profit community based organisations caring for others and the church at the heart of the village.

#### Saturday 25th November, 7.30pm Heidelberg Wind Ensemble

'Angels in the Architecture'

## Guest artist/Soloist - Ming Yeung Li

Be surprised by a 'Concerto for Trombone and Wind Band' performed by Hong Kong born Ming Yeung Li, composed by Barry McKimm, with the stunning "Angels in the Architecture" by Frank Ticheli.

Tickets \$30/\$20/\$10 at the door or online.

#### Sunday 3rd December 5pm

#### $Choral\ Evensong\ | Christmas\ Bowl\ Appeal$

Enjoy a free Choral Evensong service while raising funds for people forced into exile by conflict and disaster.

Refreshments served afterwards.

#### Saturday 9th December

#### 'Bring 'n Share Supper' 6.30 - 8.00pm

A shared community meal in the Evans Hall. Come and meet new people, or catch up with old friends, and enjoy our guest speaker Kristen Dillon in the comfort of the Evans Hall as she prepares to serve as Chaplain in the Australian Army. Please bring some food to share

#### Sunday 10th December 5.30pm

Jazz Vespers with a twist of Dixie featuring some of Melbourne's finest jazz musicians. Come along to listen, tap your feet, holler and participate in a joyous jazz vespers, with refreshments served afterwards.

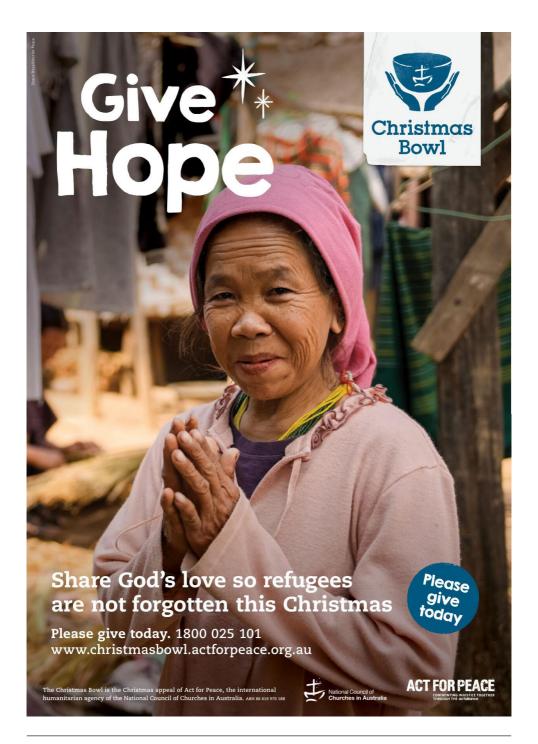
Free Event: feel free to make a donation.

#### Friday 15th December 7.30pm

The 45th anniversary of the Tudor Chorister's beloved Sing Nowell! With excerpts from Bach's Magnificat in D major and traditional music from carols at Kings.

#### CHRISTMAS AT ST GEORGES

Sun 17th Dec 9pm - Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Sun 24th Dec 5pm - Children's Christmas Service Sun 24th Dec 11pm - Midnight Mass



# St George's Opportunity Shop Fast Ivanhoe

# Christmas Fete

Saturday 16 December, 2023
9am - 2pm
Bring your family and friends to
browse through our shop and stalls
full of unique Christmas gifts



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