

Choral Eucharist

The Second Sunday of Advent 10:30am 8 December 2019

Welcome: George Washington Carver is credited with the saying "Where there is no vision, there is no hope." A scientist and devout Christian, he spent his life striving to replenish soils depleted by endless planting of peanuts in the southern USA. Decades before environmental awareness become something of a buzz word, Carver cared passionately about both the natural world and the way people related to each other. His linking of vision with hope (surely influenced by Proverbs 29:18 "Where there is no vision, the people perish.") resonates well with biblical prophets such as Isaiah and John the Baptist, and, of course, the teaching of Jesus Christ. Readings such as Isaiah 11 (this morning) and the Song of Zechariah in Luke 1:68ff (this evening) offer us much food for thought as we move through Advent.

A special word of congratulations today to three Cathedral people – Denise Stephenson, Meredith Cowan and Susie Clarke – who have completed four years of study exploring faith matters through EFM. And thank you to our Stewards, Welcomers and Cathedral Staff who have coped admirably during the very busy school carol service season.

Welcome to all who come seeking vision and hope in this sacred space.

The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson, Dean

Celebrant:

The Rev'd Wendy Morecroft *Preacher:*

The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson *Deacon:*

The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO *Subdeacon:*

Carol Sim

Master of Ceremonies:

Jecinta Iluno

Setting:

Missa de Angelis

Choir:

The Gregorian Choir

Director of Music:

Leonie Hempton OAM

Organist:

Mark Joyner

Hymns: 46, 44, 45, 37

Hymn: #46 [Winchester New]

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.

Mark 1:15

Please kneel/sit

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.

The Choir sings the Kyrie

Kyrie eleison Christe eleison Kyrie eleison
Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy Lord, have mercy

The Lord comes, bringing to light things now hidden in darkness, and disclosing the purposes of the heart.

Let us open our hearts and prepare for his coming, confessing 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.

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 Choir sings the Trisagion

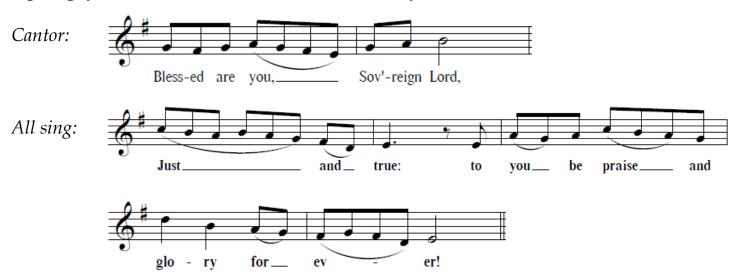
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us. *Agios o Theos, Agios ischyros, Agios athanatos, eleison imas.*

The Collects

God of all peoples, whose servant John came baptising and calling for repentance: help us to hear his voice of judgement, that we may also rejoice in his word of promise, and be found pure and blameless in that glorious Day when Christ comes to rule the earth as Prince of Peace; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

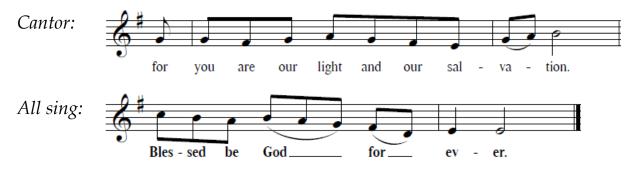
Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came among us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lighting of the second Advent Candle - The Candle of Love



The candle is lit.

Choir: Of old you spoke by the mouth of your prophets but in our days you speak through your Son whom you have appointed the heir of all things. Grant us, your people, to walk in his light that we may be found ready and watching when he comes again in glory and judgement;



Please sit for the first reading: Isaiah 11:1-10 (read by Bruce Williams)

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ² The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³ His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; ⁴ but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. ⁶ The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷ The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸ The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹ They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰ On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

The Choir sings Psalm 72:1-7, 18-21

Give the king your judgement, O God:

and your righteousness to the son of a king,

That he may judge your people rightly:

and the poor of the land with equity.

Let the mountains be laden with peace

because of his righteousness:

and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

May he give justice to the poor among the people:

and rescue the children of the needy,

and crush the oppressor.

May he live while the sun endures:

and while the moon gives light,

throughout all generations.

May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:

and as showers that water the earth.

In his time shall righteousness flourish:

and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

Let his name live for ever:

and endure as long as the sun.

Let all peoples use his name in blessing:

and all nations call him blessed.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel:

who alone does great wonders.

Blessed be his glorious name for ever:

and let the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Amen, Amen.

Second reading: Romans 15:4-13 (read by Andrew Charlton)

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one

another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷ Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹ and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; ¹⁰ and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; ¹¹ and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; ¹² and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' ¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

Please stand to sing the Gradual Hymn

Hymn: #44 [St Thomas] O child of promise, come!

Please remain standing for the Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:1-12

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord: make his paths straight.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All sing:



In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ² 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' ³ This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." ' ⁴ Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵ Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶ and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷ But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸ Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹ Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰ Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into

the fire. ¹¹ 'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All sing



Children are invited to follow the Gospel procession down the aisle to the altar where their cross will be collected, then go to the Cynthia Poulton Hall for Cathedral Kids. They will return in time for Communion.

Please sit for the Sermon: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson *Silence may follow*

Please stand for the Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

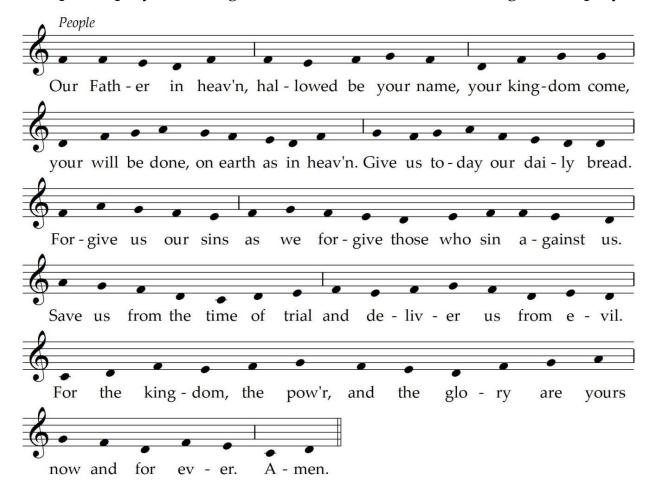
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate 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.

Please kneel/sit for the prayers (led by Roslyn Marley)
Let us pray for the world and for the Church

The intercessor concludes:

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray



Presentation to EFM Graduates - Denise Stephenson, Meredith Cowan and Susie Clarke

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Please remain standing to sing the Offertory Hymn

Hymn: #45 [Veni Emmanuel] O Come, O come Emmanuel

During this hymn a collection is taken to support the costs of the Cathedral. Many choose to make regular donations electronically (BSB 305-122, Ac No. 0256051) or by using envelopes. Complete a Planned Giving form to become a regular and faithful financial supporter of the ministry of the Cathedral.

Please remain standing

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. **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you. We lift them to the Lord. 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. We thank you that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may with joy behold his appearing, and in confidence stand before him who redeems us from sin and death and makes us heirs of everlasting life.

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 Choir Sings the Sanctus & Benedictus

Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus

Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. 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.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

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.

Please kneel/sit as the Choir sings the Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

the world, grant us your peace.

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered at the nave platform. Please follow the guidance of stewards and servers. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward and receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal).

Gluten free bread is available; please ask for this from the priest giving communion.

During the administration of Holy Communion the Choir sings the Motet:

Jacob Handl (1550-1591) - Canite tuba

Canite tuba in Sion, vocate gentes

annuntiate populis et dicite:

Ecce Deus salvator noster adveniet.

Annuntiate et auditum facite loquimini

et clamate:

Ecce Deus salvator noster adveniet.

Blow the trumpet in Sion, address the nations,

declare to the people and say:

Behold, God our Saviour draws nigh.

Declare, make heard by speaking

and shout:

Behold, God our Saviour draws nigh.

Please kneel/sit for the prayers after Communion

God for whom we wait, we thank you that you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. As we joyfully await your Son, keep us ever watchful that we may be ready to stand before him on the day of his coming.

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

Please stand to sing the Post-Communion Hymn

Hymn: #37 [Highwood] Hark what a sound, and too divine for hearing

Please remain standing for the Blessing

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

You are invited to listen reflectively to the organ postlude:

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) - Prelude and Fugue in G

Please refrain from conversation until the music is completed; applause is not normally appropriate during an act of worship

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

International The Mothers' Union throughout the world

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Diocese of The Murray Lower Limestone Coast (Millicent & Penola)

Immediate prayer Steve Curtis, Anne Price

Year's Mind 8th Sidney Mainstone, Lancelot Vivian Pellew,

David Stewart Paterson, Henry Rymill;

9th Lucy Edith Williams; 10th Catherine Berry;

11th Anthony John Sims Brigman; 12th James Welsh,

Sybil Longman, Wal Trogler, Frances Fielden,

Lesley Anne Taylor-Maddern; 13th John Charles Bannon AO

To be Baptised 15/12 Teresa Grace Maria Nelson, Ross Alfred Williams

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Newcomers: To join the Cathedral community, fill in a CONNECT card and hand it to a steward, place it in the offertory bags or return it to the Cathedral Office. You will receive the weekly eNews.

Toilets are in the Cathedral Close, across the car park from the Cathedral.

Name Badges: Order a Cathedral name badge from Pam Saint on 0419 031 871 or Cathedral Office 8267 4551. \$20 each.

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Tonight Lynn's guest will be Adelaide author, David Rawlings, talking about his soon to be released book "The Camera never lies".

Exploring Faith Matters – EFM: People wishing to join the Cathedral EFM group in 2020 are invited to sign up now (a Prospectus is available at the back of the Cathedral). At the end of one year you will have a thorough grounding in the Old Testament and skills in theological reflection, as well as knowing a whole group of interesting people really well.

A note from The Friends: The hot water service which has been installed in the Cynthia Poulton Hall kitchen is a gift to the Cathedral community from the Committee of the Friends of St. Peter's Cathedral. We are grateful for the financial support which we receive from the congregation from time to time which makes a purchase like this possible.

This Wednesday: All welcome to attend our final Wednesday Evensong service for 2019 – December 11, 5:30pm, choir stalls.

Farewell Gift: As most of you know Leonie Hempton OAM will retire following the Choir Tour, after 24 years as the Cathedral's Director of Music (DOM). Leonie's last service in the Cathedral is on Christmas Day, and we will mark her departure with a formal thank you on Sunday 22nd December. Parishioners and friends of the Cathedral wishing to contribute to a gift to Leonie may do so in the following ways:

- 1. Electronic Banking BSB 305-122, Account No: 0256051, Account Name: St Peter's Cathedral. Please ensure that you include the reference: DOM
- 2. Using the EFTPOS facility at the Cathedral Shop
- 3. Cash, or cheque payable to St Peter's Cathedral, in an envelope clearly marked DOM Farewell

Christmas Services: The details of all Christmas Services are now available on the Cathedral website: www.stpeters-cathedral-2019/

For those without internet access, please take a flyer from the back of the Cathedral.

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2019

Advent 2

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

6:00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

WEEKDAYS

7:30am Holy Communion (*Lady Chapel*) 8:45am Morning Prayer (*Dean's Chapel*)

WEDNESDAY

10:00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Lady Chapel)
5:30pm Choral Evensong (Choir Stalls)
(Final Wednesday Evensong of 2019)

SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2019

Advent 3

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Wendy Morecroft

10:30am Choral Eucharist with Baptism

Preacher: The Rev'd Wendy Morecroft

6:00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson



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