

# CHORAL EUCHARIST

10:30am 22 March 2020

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Mothering Sunday



St Peter's Cathedral strives to be a Christ-centred, sacramental, inclusive, thinking, mission-oriented, faith community.

The Cathedral resides on the lands of the Kaurna people whom we acknowledge as the original custodians of the Adelaide Region.

**St Peter's**  
nurturing spirit and mind  
**CATHEDRAL**

When the handbell rings, please stand to sing the Introit Hymn

**Hymn: #488** [*Lux Eoi*]

**Church of God, elect and glorious**

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| <p>1. Church of God, elect and glorious,<br/>holy nation, chosen race;<br/>called as God's own special people,<br/>royal priests and heirs of grace:<br/>know the purpose of your calling,<br/>show to all his mighty deeds;<br/>tell of love which knows no limits,<br/>grace which meets all human needs.</p> <p>3. Once you were an alien people,<br/>strangers to God's heart of love;<br/>but he brought you home in mercy,<br/>citizens of heaven above.<br/>Let his love flow out to others,<br/>let them feel a Father's care;<br/>that they too may know his welcome<br/>and his countless blessings share.</p> | <p>2. God has called you out of darkness<br/>into his most marvellous light;<br/>brought his truth to life within you,<br/>turned your blindness into sight.<br/>Let your light so shine around you<br/>that God's name is glorified;<br/>and all find fresh hope and purpose<br/>in Christ Jesus crucified.</p> <p>4. Church of God, elect and holy,<br/>be the people he intends;<br/>strong in faith and swift to answer<br/>each command your master sends:<br/>royal priests, fulfil your calling<br/>through your sacrifice and prayer;<br/>give your lives in joyful service<br/>sing his praise, his love declare.</p> |
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Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. **Whose mercy endures for ever.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

'I am the light of the world,' says the Lord; 'those who follow me will have the light of life.'

*John 8:12*

*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.**

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

*The Choir sings the Kyrie*

Kyrie eleison  
*Lord, have mercy*

Christe eleison  
*Christ, have mercy*

Kyrie eleison  
*Lord, have mercy*

Let us then ask for mercy, 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*

Agios o Theos,	Agios ischyros,	Agios athanatos,	Eleison imas.
<i>Holy God,</i>	<i>Holy and mighty,</i>	<i>Holy and immortal,</i>	<i>Have mercy on us.</i>

*The Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent*

Gracious God, in order that we children of earth might discern good from evil you sent your Son to be the light of the world: as the light of Christ shines upon us, may we learn what pleases you, and live in truth and goodness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The Collect for Ash Wednesday*

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please sit for the first reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13*

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.' <sup>2</sup> 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."' <sup>3</sup> 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.' <sup>4</sup> 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?' <sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.' <sup>7</sup> 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.'

<sup>8</sup> Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' <sup>9</sup> Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' <sup>10</sup> Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' <sup>11</sup> 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.' <sup>12</sup> 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.' <sup>13</sup> 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.

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

*The Choir sings Psalm 23*

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.  
He will make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters.  
He will refresh my soul: and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.  
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
    for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.  
You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:  
    you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.  
Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life:  
    and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

*Second reading: Ephesians 5:8-14*

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—<sup>9</sup> for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup> Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; <sup>13</sup> but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.'

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

Please stand to sing the Gradual Hymn

**Hymn: #137** [*Love Divine*]

**God of Eve and God of Mary**

1. God of Eve and God of Mary,  
God of love and mother-earth,  
thank you for the ones who with us  
shared their life and gave us birth.
2. As you came to earth in Jesus,  
so you come to us today;  
you are present in the caring  
that prepares us for life's way.
3. Thank you that the Church, our Mother,  
gives us bread and fills our cup,  
and the comfort of the Spirit  
warms our hearts and lifts us up.
4. Thank you for belonging, shelter,  
bonds of friendship, ties of blood,  
and for those who have no children,  
yet are parents under God.
5. God of Eve and God of Mary,  
Christ our brother, human Son,  
Spirit, caring like a Mother,  
take our love and make us one!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:

*John 9:1-41*

All sing:



Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup> We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup> As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'

<sup>6</sup> When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup> saying to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. <sup>8</sup> The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, 'Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?' <sup>9</sup> Some were saying, 'It is he.' Others were saying, 'No, but it is someone like him.' He kept saying, 'I am the man.' <sup>10</sup> But they kept asking him, 'Then how were your eyes opened?' <sup>11</sup> He answered, 'The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, "Go to Siloam and wash." Then I went and washed and received my sight.' <sup>12</sup> They said to him, 'Where is he?' He said, 'I do not know.'

<sup>13</sup> They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup> Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, 'He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.' <sup>16</sup> Some of the Pharisees said, 'This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.' But others said, 'How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?' And they were divided. <sup>17</sup> So they said again to the blind man, 'What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.' He said, 'He is a prophet.'

<sup>18</sup> The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup> and asked them, 'Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?' <sup>20</sup> His parents answered, 'We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; <sup>21</sup> but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.' <sup>22</sup> His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. <sup>23</sup> Therefore his parents said, 'He is of age; ask him.'

<sup>24</sup> So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, 'Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.' <sup>25</sup> He answered, 'I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.' <sup>26</sup> They said to him, 'What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?' <sup>27</sup> He answered them, 'I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?' <sup>28</sup> Then they reviled him, saying, 'You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup> We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.' <sup>30</sup> The man answered, 'Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup> We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. <sup>32</sup> Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. <sup>33</sup> If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.' <sup>34</sup> They answered him, 'You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?' And they drove him out.

<sup>35</sup> Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' <sup>36</sup> He answered, 'And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.' <sup>37</sup> Jesus said to him, 'You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.' <sup>38</sup> He said, 'Lord, I believe.' And he worshipped him. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, 'I came into this world for judgement so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.' <sup>40</sup> Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, 'Surely we are not blind, are we?' <sup>41</sup> Jesus said to them, 'If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, "We see", your sin remains.

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.**

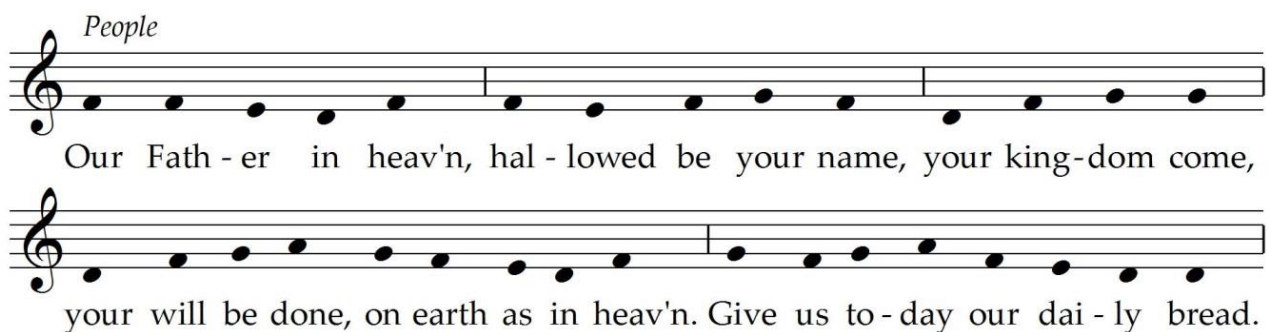
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate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

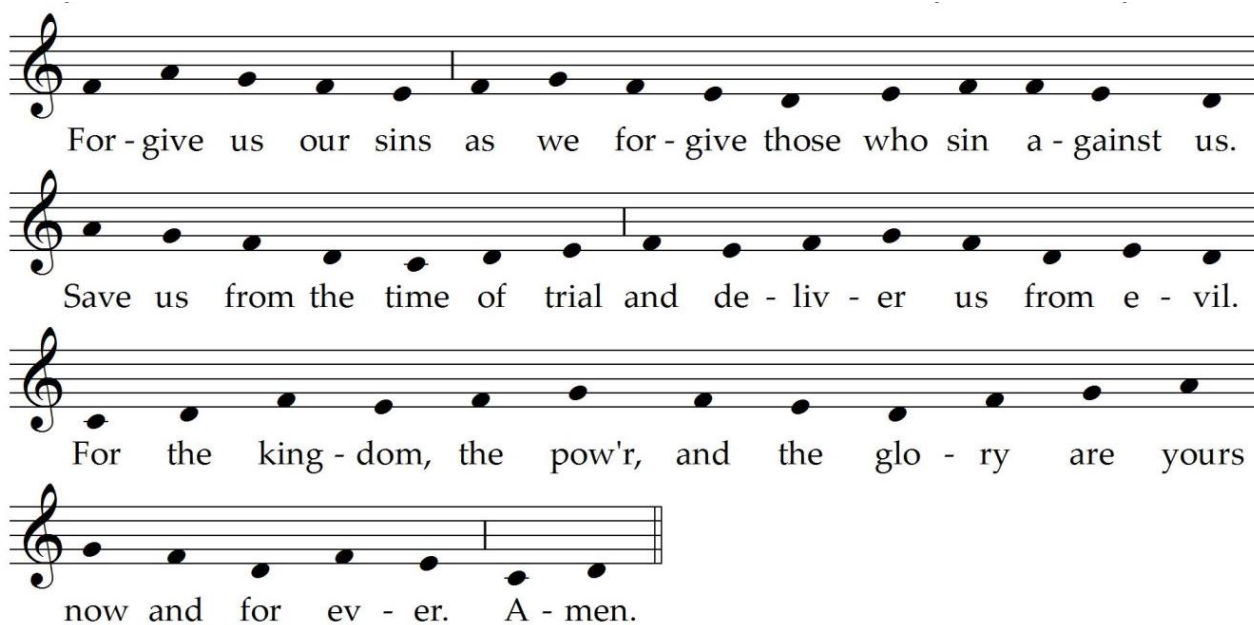
Please kneel/sit for the prayers

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





For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
 Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
 For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours  
 now and for ev - er. A - men.

*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: #671 [Hyfrydol]**

**I will sing the wondrous story**

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| <p>1. I will sing the wondrous story<br/>       Of the Christ Who died for me;<br/>       How He left the clouds in glory<br/>       For the cross on Calvary.<br/>       Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story<br/>       Of the Christ Who died for me,<br/>       Sing it with the saints in glory,<br/>       Gathered by the crystal sea.</p>        | <p>2. I was lost, but Jesus found me,<br/>       Found the sheep that went astray,<br/>       Raised me up and gently led me<br/>       Back into the narrow way.<br/>       Days of darkness still come o'er me,<br/>       Sorrow's path I often tread,<br/>       But His presence still is with me;<br/>       By His guiding hand I'm led.</p> |
| <p>3. He will keep me till the river<br/>       Rolls its waters at my feet;<br/>       Then He'll bear me safely over,<br/>       Where the loved ones I shall meet.<br/>       Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story<br/>       Of the Christ Who died for me,<br/>       Sing it with the saints in glory,<br/>       Gathered by the crystal sea.</p> |   |

*During this hymn a collection is taken to support the costs of the Cathedral.*

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*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.

**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.

He was tempted in every way as we are, yet he did not sin. 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.

By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to walk in the way of his love. 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 (Book of Common Prayer words)*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory:

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he that cometh 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: *(All sing)*



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: *(All sing)*



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.**

*Please kneel/sit*

Let us pray

**We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.**

**But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

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 (Book of Common Prayer words)*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. (x2)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion, 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). It is acceptable to receive only the bread. Gluten free bread is available; please ask for this from the priest giving communion.*

*Please kneel/sit for the prayers after Communion*

God of mercy, may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

**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*

<b>Hymn: #2 [Ratisbon]</b>	<b>Christ, whose glory fills the skies</b>
1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies Christ, the true, the only Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night; Dayspring from on high, be near, Daystar, in my heart appear.	2. Dark and cheerless is the morn Unaccompanied by Thee; Joyless is the day's return, Till Thy mercy's beams I see, Till Thou inward light impart, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief; Fill me, Radiance divine, Scatter all my unbelief; More and more Thyself display, Shining to the perfect day.	

*Please remain standing for the Blessing*

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among 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:*

Theodore Dubois (1837-1924) – *Toccata in G*

You may wish to listen to the postlude online, here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sAxIWJCOoMU>

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Increase in vocations to ordained and licensed ministry

**Immediate Prayer**

Lois Davey, Dawn Rutter, Ronald Thomas, Leonie Cotton,  
Kay Collas

**Year's Mind**

22<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Barnitt; 24<sup>th</sup> Peter Patrick MacLaren,  
Rowland Brynmor (Bryn) Rees; 25<sup>th</sup> Frank Herbert King;  
26<sup>th</sup> Albert Jeanes, Ben Reutens; 27<sup>th</sup> Arthur Rymill;  
28<sup>th</sup> Catherine Gilmore Black, Elma Mathews