CHORAL EUCHARIST

10:30am 17 May 2020 The Sixth Sunday of Easter



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.



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Hymn: #200 [Württemberg]

Christ the Lord is Risen Again

- 1. Christ the Lord is risen again, Christ hath broken every chain. Hark, angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high, Alleluia!
- 3. He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross, lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry: *Alleluia!*
- 5. He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save; now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. *Alleluia!*

- 2. He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strive, is our Paschal Lamb to-day; we too sing for joy, and say *Alleluia!*
- 4. He whose path no records tell, who descended into hell, who the strong man armed hath bound, now in highest heaven is crowned. *Alleluia!*
- 6. Now he bids us tell abroad how the lost may be restored, how the penitent forgiven, how we too may enter heaven. *Alleluia!*
- 7. Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, thy ransomed people feed; take our sins and guilt away: let us sing by night and day Alleluia!

Blessed be God, Father Son and Holy Spirit Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever

Christ is risen. Alleluia! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

'Those who love me will keep my word,' Jesus promises, 'and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.' *John 14:23*

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

Christ our Passover has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

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 Gloria (A Prayer Book for Australia words)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond our understanding: pour into our hearts such love for you, that, loving you above all else, we may obtain your promises that exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please sit for the first reading: Acts 17:22-31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him – though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring."

²⁹ Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals.

³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

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

The Choir sings Psalm 66:7-19

O bless our God, you peoples:

and cause his praises to resound,

Who has held our souls in life:

who has not suffered our feet to slip.

For you have proved us, O God:

you have tried us as silver is tried.

You brought us into the net:

you laid sharp torment on our loins.

You let our enemies ride over our heads, we went through fire and water:

but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

I will come into your house with burnt-offerings:

and I will pay you my vows,

The vows that opened my lips:

that my mouth uttered when I was in trouble.

I will offer you burnt-offerings of fattened beasts, with the sweet smoke of rams:

I will sacrifice a bull and the flesh of goats.

Come then and hear, all you that fear God:

and I will tell what he has done for me.

I called to him with my mouth:

and his praise was on my tongue.

If I had cherished wickedness in my heart:

the Lord would not have heard me.

But God has heard me:

he has heeded the voice of my prayer.

Praise be to God:

who has not turned back my prayer, or his steadfast love from me.

Second reading: 1 Peter 3:8-22

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, and a humble mind. ⁹ Do not repay evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but, on the contrary, repay with a blessing. It is for this that you were called — that you might inherit a blessing. ¹⁰ For 'Those who desire life and desire to see good days, let them keep their tongues from evil and their lips from speaking deceit; ¹¹ let them turn away from evil and do good; let them seek peace and pursue it. ¹² For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.'

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, 15 but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. 18 For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, 20 who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you – not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

[Please note we were unable to find a suitable recording of this Hymn]

Hymn: #825 [Liebster Jesu]

- Word of God, come down on earth
- Word of God, come down on earth, living rain from heaven descending; touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending. Word almighty, we revere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.
- 2. Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation, Word that came from heaven to die, crucified for our salvation, saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.
- 3. Word that speaks your Father's love, one with him beyond all telling, Word that sends us from above God the Spirit, with us dwelling, Word of truth, to all truth lead us, Word of life, with one Bread feed us.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John: *John 14:15-21*

All sing:



Jesus said: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All sing:



Click here to watch the video - The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO reads the Gospel

Listen to the choir sing the motet

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585) - If Ye Love Me

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth.

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

Click here to watch The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson's video sermon

Full sermon text available here

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 (written by Susie Clarke)

Let us pray for the world and for the Church

Almighty and ever living and loving God, we thank you that you are gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. Jesus said that he would build the church and the gates of Hell would not prevail against it so we pray that you will continue to bless your church with the security that comes from knowing we are protected by you.

Thankyou Lord that you know the love we have in our hearts for you.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We ask that you would develop and sustain deep, meaningful relationships throughout your church especially at this time when we are unable to meet together. Give us courage to face the changes and uncertainty that are happening in our community as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

We pray that your peace will be in our hearts and your grace will be in our words as we speak with one another by phone or Skype or Zoom.

Prince of Peace, thank you that we are never alone, your presence calms the troubled sea of our lives and speaks peace to our soul. May we be filled with a desire to support and encourage one another in love.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ who are undergoing persecution and ask that you give them the strength they need to endure.

International Nurses' Day is celebrated around the world, annually on May 12, which is the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth. The theme for International Nurses Day for 2020 is *Nursing the World to Health*, focusing on the true value of nurses to the people of the world.

We thank you Lord, for all medical personnel and especially nurses for their care and dedication during this time when the world faces the COVID 19 pandemic.

We pray for the sick and for those who suffer, for all in the nursing homes, hospitals and hospices and for those who are housebound. Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles. May they know your presence with them, and that you are their strength, their healing, and their salvation.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for our community, for the lost, the hurting, the lonely and the bereaved. Send your comfort, your peace, and your calming presence to those who feel that they are without hope and are anxious during this time.

We pray especially for the people have lost their jobs because of the coronavirus and pray that they will be able to return to work soon.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for teachers and for students as they are now beginning to return to school.

We pray for Scott Morrison and Stephen Marshall and ask that you will continue to give them your wisdom as they manage the coronavirus pandemic in our country. Give them your mind, and surround them with godly counsellors who will exercise integrity and work for justice and bipartisan unity as the government faces the challenges the coronavirus has brought to our community. We also pray for Queen Elizabeth asking that you will bless her reign.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

<u>Listen to the Hymn online here</u> – feel free to sing along:

Hymn: #422 [Hyfrydol]

Alleluia, sing to Jesus

- 1. Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
 His the sceptre, his the throne;
 alleluia, his the triumph,
 his the victory alone:
 hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
 thunder like a mighty flood;
 Jesus out of every nation
 hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 3. Alleluia, bread of angels, thou on earth our food, our stay; alleluia, here the sinful flee to thee from day to day: Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
- 2. Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; alleluia, he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how: though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore'?
- 4. Alleluia, King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own; alleluia, born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne: thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest; thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the Eucharistic feast.

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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.**

Click here to watch the video thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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 he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life triumphant, and exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended, a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Sanctus & Benedictus (A Prayer Book for Australia words)

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 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:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

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:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever, Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Come, let us celebrate the feast. Draw near with faith, to feed on Christ in your hearts with thanksgiving. **Alleluia!**

Agnus Dei (A Prayer Book for Australia words)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.

Please kneel/sit for the prayers after Communion

Let us pray

Most glorious Lord of life, we thank you that you nourish us in these Easter mysteries. Fill us with the Spirit of love and unite us in faith, that we may witness to the resurrection.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Stay in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Please stand to sing the Post-Communion Hymn

<u>Listen to the organ accompaniment online here</u> – feel free to sing the words for yourself!

Hymn: #796 [Church Triumphant]

The Lord is King! lift up thy voice

- The Lord is King! lift up thy voice,
 O earth, and all ye heavens, rejoice;
 from world to world the joy shall ring,
 'The Lord omnipotent is King!'
- 3. He reigns! ye saints, exalt your strains: your God is King, your Father reigns; and he is at the Father's side, the Man of love, the Crucified.
- 2. The Lord is King! who then shall dare resist his will, distrust his care, or murmur at his wise decrees, or doubt his royal promises?
- 4. Alike pervaded by his eye all parts of his dominion lie: this world of ours and worlds unseen, and thin the boundary between!
- 5. One Lord on empire all secures; he reigns, and life and death are yours; through earth and heaven one song shall ring, 'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

You are invited to listen to a special 'Virtual Cathedral Choir' recording: <u>Louis Vierne (1870-1937) – Kyrie from Messe Solennelle</u>

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

A prayer for all affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

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All who are ill at this time (*Please help us to keep this list up to date by emailing new requests for prayer, or letting us know when no longer*

needed)

Those working on the 'front-line' in our health services

Rest in Peace Simon Nadar

Year's Mind 17th Arthur Bromly Blades, John David Swale;

18th John Arthur Claring-Bould; 19th Mary Finnis, John Curnow;

20th Alexander Russell, Philip Robert Vincent, Lewis Dawe,

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21st Reginald Pearman, Ernest William Dilena, Laurel Mavis Loan;

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