

CHORAL EVENSONG

Confirmation and Reaffirmation

6:00pm 18 October 2020

St Luke the Evangelist

Welcome:

The normal practice of the Cathedral is to have baptisms and confirmations on Easter morning. The dawn service on Easter day, beginning with the lighting of the paschal candle, is the perfect occasion for new Christians to publicly declare their faith. In 2020 we entered the coronavirus lockdown late in Lent!

Tonight, as we give thanks for St Luke, evangelist, physician and gospel writer, we bear witness to the renewal of faith by five people. As they continue on their journey of faith in the steps of Jesus Christ we pray that they, like us, may increase in -
the spirit of wisdom and understanding
the spirit of discernment and inner strength,
the spirit of knowledge and true godliness.

Welcome to all as we sing God's praises with wonder and awe.

The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson
Dean

Officiant

The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

Preacher

The Rt Rev'd Denise Ferguson

Canticles

Sumsion in G

Responses

Bertalot

Choir

Lay Clerks of St Peter's Cathedral Choir

Director of Music

Anthony Hunt

Organist

David Heah

Hymns: 787, 341, 810

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

Please stand as the Choir and Clergy enter

Dearly beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with a humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

Confession (please kneel/sit)

Almighty and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness, and live; and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Officiant and choir sing the Versicles and Responses

O Lord, open thou our lips. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Please stand for the Doxology

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.
Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's Name be praised.

Please stand to sing the Office Hymn

Hymn: #787 [Nottingham]

Take my life, and let it be

1. Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
2. Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.
3. Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.
4. Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.
5. Take my will, and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.
6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

WORDS: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

MUSIC: Wenzel Müller (1747-1835)

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Please sit as The Choir sings Psalm 145:10-18 (Chant: Sir John Goss)

All thy works praise thee, O Lord: and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

They shew the glory of thy kingdom: and talk of thy power;

That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom:
might be known unto men.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:

and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

The Lord upholdeth all such as fall: and lifteth up all those that are down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord:

and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him:

yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.

Please stand for the Gloria:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please sit for the first reading: Isaiah 55 (read by Georgie Stamp)

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

⁶ Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; ⁷ let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹² For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

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

Please stand while the choir sings the Magnificat: Luke 1:46-55

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm:

 he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:

 as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please sit for the second reading: Luke 10:1-9 (read by Les Milner)

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it

will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

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

Please stand while the choir sings the Nunc Dimittis: Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please remain standing to say The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and
buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of
Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life
everlasting. Amen.**

The Officiant and Choir sing the response and prayers

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.
Let us pray. *(Please kneel/sit)*
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us	And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the Queen	And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee
Endue thy ministers with righteousness	And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people	And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord	Because there is none other that fighteth for us but only thou, O God.
O God, make clean our hearts within us	And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect for Saint Luke

Almighty God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: May it please thee that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merit of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Evening Collect

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please stand to sing the Second Hymn

Hymn: #341 [Leoni]

We turn to Christ anew

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| <p>1. We turn to Christ anew
who hear his call today,
his way to walk, his will pursue,
his word obey.
To serve him as our King
and of his kingdom learn,
from sin and every evil thing
to him we turn.</p> | <p>2. We trust in Christ to save;
in him new life begins:
who by his cross a ransom gave
from all our sins.
Our spirits' strength and stay
who when all flesh is dust
will keep us on that final day,
in him we trust.</p> |
| <p>3. We would be true to him
till earthly journeys end,
whose love no passing years can dim,
our changeless friend.
May we who bear his name
our faith and love renew,
to follow Christ our single aim,
and find him true.</p> | |

WORDS: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

MUSIC: Hebrew melody, notated by Thomas Olivers (1725-1799)

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Please sit for the Sermon: The Rt Rev'd Denise Ferguson

The Confirmation: The Rt Rev'd Denise Ferguson

We welcome those who have come to be confirmed. I invite their sponsors to present them now.

We present Jack Monaghan/ Chinedu Obi/ Chukuebuka Obi// Elizabeth Armstrong, who comes to be confirmed.

We welcome Lucelle who, having been baptised and confirmed, now comes to seek God's blessing as she reaffirms her faith. I invite her sponsors to present her now.

We present Lucelle who comes to reaffirm her faith.

The bishop says to those who are to receive the laying on of hands

Before God and this congregation, you must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

I repent of my sins.

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

I reject them all.

Do you renounce Satan and all evil?

I renounce all that is evil.

Will you each, by God's grace, strive to live your whole life as a disciple of Christ, loving God with all your heart, and your neighbour as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

The bishop says to the congregation

You have heard these our brothers and sister renew their response to Christ.

Will you support them?

We will.

Let us pray for those who have affirmed their baptism and are to receive the laying on of hands.

Merciful God, deliver them from all evil that they may walk in the way of truth and life;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Open their hearts by the Holy Spirit to your grace and truth;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Send them into the world to witness to your love and justice;

Lord in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Bring them and us all into the fullness of your peace and glory;
Lord in your mercy
hear our prayer.

The bishop says to the candidates

I now ask you to affirm as yours the faith of the Church.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in God the Son?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The bishop says to the congregation

This is the faith of the Church.

The congregation responds

This is our faith:

We believe in one God:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The bishop says

Our help is in the name of the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord
now, and for ever. Amen.

Almighty and everliving God, you have given your servants new birth by water and the Spirit, and have forgiven them their sins.

Strengthen them, we pray, with the Holy Spirit that they may grow in grace.

Increase in them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of discernment and inner strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and fill them with wonder and awe at your presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Those who are to be confirmed stand before the bishop, who lays a hand upon each of them saying
Strengthen, Lord, your servant, Jack/ Nedu/ Buka/Elizabeth
with your Holy Spirit.

Empower and sustain *him/her* for your service.

Amen.

The congregation joins with the bishop in saying this prayer after all the candidates have received the laying on of hands.

**Defend, O Lord, these your servants
with your heavenly grace,
that they may continue yours for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more
until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.**

Those receiving the laying on of hands for reaffirmation stand before the bishop, who lays hands upon each saying

Lucelle, may the Holy Spirit
who has begun a good work in you
direct and uphold you
in the service of Christ and his kingdom.
God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
bless, preserve and keep you. **Amen.**

The bishop prays for those upon whom hands have been laid.

Almighty and everliving God, watch over these your servants upon whom we have now laid our hands.

Let your Holy Spirit always be with them and lead them to know and obey your word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence may follow

Please remain seated as the choir sings the Anthem:

Spiritual arr. Hunt – *There is a Balm in Gilead*

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul.
Some times I feel discouraged,
And think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again.

Please stand to sing the Final Hymn

Hymn: #810 [Moscow]

Thou, whose almighty word

1. Thou, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.
2. Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.
3. Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.
4. Holy and blessed Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth far and wide
let there be light.

WORDS: John Marriott (1780-1825)

MUSIC: Felice de Giardini (1716-1796)

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Please remain standing

All who have been baptised and confirmed are called to study the Bible, to take part in the life of the Church, to share in the Holy Communion, and to pray faithfully and regularly.

We are called to share with others, by word and example, the love of Christ and his gospel of reconciliation and hope.

We are called to love our neighbours as ourselves, to honour all people and to pray and work for peace and justice.

I invite all of you to commit yourselves anew to this calling.

**We will gladly do so,
in the strength of the Holy Spirit.**

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted;
give honour to all; love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

You are invited to listen reflectively to the organ postlude:

David Cameron (b. 1937) – *Leoni Variations*

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

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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.

International

The Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Abp Michael Curry

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North-West Australia: Gary Nelson (Christine)

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Diocese of Adelaide

St Mary Magdalene's, Adelaide: locum tenens Graeme Kaines

Diocese of Willochra

Port Lincoln: Stephen Weickhardt, Brian Bascombe, Missionaries on Active Service, Frances Cook.

Diocese of The Murray

South Coast (Victor Harbor): Bruce Hicks (Melita)

To be confirmed on 18 October

Jack Monaghan, Nedu Obi, Buka Obi, Elizabeth Armstrong, Lucelle Taylor.

Immediate Prayer

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

Year's Mind

18th Ray Parsons; 19th Frank Weston; 20th Anthony Bensley (Ben) Williams, Gordon John Johnson, Donald Wallace
22nd Gordon Edward Henry Bleby; 23rd Edward John Waterhouse, Alfred John Robjohns, James William Harvey Hall
Miriam Willa Lindley; 24th Lola Far Bray, Bill Lindley.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Tonight Lynn's guest will be The Rev'd Peter Jin.

Cathedral Weekday Visiting Hours:

Open for private prayer and visitors Tuesday to Saturday, 11.00am-3.00pm, and Monday 11.00am-1.00pm.

All Souls Choral Evensong

Looking ahead we will observe All Souls on 1st November with a special focus Evensong at 6.00pm. People who wish to remember family and friends who have died will be able to light candles in the course of the service.

Retreat in January: Frank and Christine Nelson have been approached about leading a retreat at Sevenhill in January 2021. Expressions of interest in attending a four night retreat Monday 18 – Friday 22 January are invited. Cost (full board) would be in the region of \$550.00. Please contact Lynn Arnold in the first instance: arnold.lynn@optusnet.com.au

Welcomers Needed: The Cathedral has reopened and welcomers are needed to greet visitors. For details please call Cathedral Office: Tel: 8267 4551.

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THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2020

Pentecost 21

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

6:00pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Peter Jin

WEEKDAYS

7:30am Eucharist

(Lady Chapel)

8:45am Morning Prayer

(Dean's Chapel)

WEDNESDAY

10:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

(Lady Chapel)

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