Choral Evensong The Presentation of Christ in the Temple 6:00pm 31 January 2021

Welcome: The holidays are officially over, the Cathedral Choir is back, and we are ready for a whole new year ahead of us. This time two years ago we began using the Festival 150 tagline "Celebrating the Past: Imagining the Future". Little did we know then just what 2020 had in store for us. But we have come through the first COVID year and are profoundly thankful for the caring of so many of our leaders, front-line health workers and all who keep themselves and others safe. At the same time, we continue to pray for people in many parts of the world far worse off than we are in South Australia.

With Ash Wednesday just around the corner, and before we completely forget about Christmas services, it behoves me to say thank you to all who made for a great celebration of the birth of our Saviour. Thank you too to the many who have continued to honour their financial pledges to the life and ministry of the Cathedral. Giving from external sources, chiefly from tourists, visitors and the Cathedral Shop, continues to be well below normal, so the faithful dedicated giving of Cathedral parishioners is vital.

Welcome one and all. May God's holy name be praised.

The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson, Dean

Officiant The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

Preacher The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Canticles Noble *in B minor*

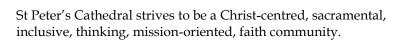
Responses Hunt

Choir St Peter's Cathedral Choir

Director of Music Anthony Hunt

Organist David Heah

Hymns: 398, 396, 742



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



Please stand as the Choir and Clergy enter

The Choir sings the Introit Johannes Eccard (1553-1611) – *When to the temple Mary went*

When to the temple Mary went, And brought the Holy Child, Him did the aged Simeon see, As it had been revealed. He took up Jesus in his arms And blessing God he said: In peace I now depart, my Saviour having seen, The Hope of Israel, the Light of men.

Help now thy servants, gracious Lord, That we may ever be As once the faithful Simeon was, Rejoicing but in Thee; And when we must from earth departure take, May gently fall asleep and with Thee wake.

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.O God, make speed to save us.And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.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 remain standing to sing the Office Hymn

Hymn: #398 [St Paul's]		Lord, set your servant fre	ee
1.	Lord, set your servant free, fulfil your ancient vow,	 For here the child of light, the world's salvation lies, 	
	and peaceful let the parting be	and on the nations lost in night	
	which seals that promise now.	I see his dawn arise.	

3. A radiance unconfined to change of time or place, he is the hope of humankind, the glory of our race.

WORDS: Mary Holtby, based on Luke 2:29-32 (Nunc Dimittis, The Song of Simeon) MUSIC: John Stainer (1840-1901) Reproduced from Ancient & Modern Electronic Words Edition, number **398**

Please sit as the Choir sings Psalm 112 (Chant: George Guest)

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he hath great delight in his commandments. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the faithful shall be blessed. Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house:

and his righteousness endureth for ever.

Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness:

he is merciful, loving, and righteous.

A good man is merciful, and lendeth: and will guide his words with discretion. For he shall never be moved:

and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

He will not be afraid of any evil tidings:

for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.

His heart is established, and will not shrink: until he see his desire upon his enemies. He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor:

and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour. The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him:

he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away;

the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

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: Malachi 3:1-4 (read by Chris Goodes)

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³ he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

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 2:22-40 (read by Bill Goodes)

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹ 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸ At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

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)Item the spirit.

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 the Day

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy onlybegotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same 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

Faithful vigil ended

 Faithful vigil ended, watching, waiting cease; Master, grant your servant his discharge in peace.

Hymn: #396 [Pastor Pastorum]

2. All the Spirit promised, all the Father willed, now these eyes behold it perfectly fulfilled.

- This your great deliverance sets your people free; Christ their light uplifted all the nations see.
- 4. Christ, your people's glory! Watching, doubting cease: grant to us your servants our discharge in peace.

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Please sit for the Sermon: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Silence may follow

Please sit as the choir sings the Anthem: S.S. Wesley (1810-1876) – Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee. The darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day. The darkness and the light to thee are both alike. God is light and with him is no darkness at all. Oh let my soul live, and it shall praise thee, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for evermore.

Please kneel/sit for the Intercessions

Please stand to sing the Final Hymn

Hymn: #742 [Richmond]	O for a thousand tongues to sing
 O for a thousand tongues to sing	 He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
my dear Redeemer's praise,	new life the dead receive,
the glories of my God and King,	the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the triumphs of his grace!	the humble poor believe.
 Jesus! the name that charms our fears,	 Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
that bids our sorrows cease;	your loosened tongues employ;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,	ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
'tis life and health and peace.	and leap, ye lame, for joy!
 He breaks the power of cancelled sin,	 My gracious Master and my God,
he sets the prisoner free:	assist me to proclaim
his blood can make the foulest clean;	and spread through all the earth abroac
his blood availed for me.	the honours of thy name.
	WORDS: Charles Wesley (1707–1788) narmonised by Samuel Webbe, the elder (1740-1816) Descant by Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971) <i>ent & Modern</i> Electronic Words Edition, number 742

Please remain standing for the Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

You are invited to listen reflectively to the organ postlude: Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986) – Prélude sur l'Introit de l'Épiphanie

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

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- Direct Debit, please contact the Cathedral Office on 8267 4551.
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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	Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil Primate Abp Naudal Alves Gomes		
National	National Council of Churches: Phillip Huggins (Elizabeth)		
South Australia Diocese of Adelaide Diocese of Willochra	Area Deanery of Gawler: Joseph Chung (Virginia) The Cathedral Church of Sts. Peter & Paul: The Very Rev'd Mark Hawkes (installed as Dean yesterday)		
Diocese of The Murray	The Diocese as it reflects on the future shape and direction of life in the service of the Good News		
Immediate Prayer	Stephen Matthew		
Long-Term Prayer	Cynthia Thomas, Nicholas Tipping, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, David McCall, Dianne Watt, Sarah & Peter Black, Philip Satchell, Edna Allison, Heather Scott, Mary Halczuk, Bob, John Pearse, Ossy Grotto, Richard Haselgrove		
Rest in Peace	Timothy Nwabunwanne Obi		
Year's Mind	 31st William Auchterlonie Hardie, Bruce Roberts 1st Paul Harris, Muriel Pointer 2nd Albert Wyndham Clampett, George Fuhrmeister, Belinda Taylor 3rd Minnie Frances Riley 5th Ray Beanland, Barry Hamilton Morrison 6th William Spacie, William Minogue 		

COMMUNITY NOTICES

New to the Cathedral? Connect with us using the green Connect card or online <u>http://www.stpeters-</u> <u>cathedral.org.au/connect-with-us/</u>

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Lynn's programmes during January will be repeats of 2020 interviews with St Peter's Cathedral people: 31/1/21 Rachel Bruerville

Cathedral Visiting Hours: The Cathedral is open for visiting and private prayer. Opening hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 11am-3pm, and Mondays 11am-1pm.

Adult Baptism and/or Confirmation:

Adults wishing to be baptised and/or confirmed at Easter should speak to Dean Frank or one of the clergy ASAP.

Magdalene Centre Groceries: Sunday collections for the Magdalene Centre have resumed. Place your offering of long-life groceries in the baskets provided.

Dates for your Diary: As well as other notices in today's service sheets, please note the following dates:

17 February - Ash Wednesday

21 March – Annual Vestry Meeting followed by Cathedral family farewell to Dean Frank and Christine

4 April – Easter Day and Dean Frank's final service as Dean, Evensong at 6.00pm. Following some holiday time in SA and quarantine in New Zealand, Frank and Christine will move to Dargaville, north of Auckland, where Frank will be vicar of the parish of North Wairoa.

Weekday Eucharists: Daily at 7:30am in the Lady Chapel from Monday February 1st.

Exploring Faith Matters – EfM: Susie Clarke <u>sj.clarke1@bigpond.com</u> and Jan Tregenza <u>jtregenza@walford.asn.au</u> are the mentors for this challenging and exciting adult learning opportunity. Meeting on Thursdays at 6.30pm at the Cathedral, EfM invites in-depth reading and study of the Bible, Church History and ancient and contemporary issues and thinking in the Church.

Pastoral Carers' Team meeting: The next meeting of the Pastoral Care Team will be held on Wednesday 3 February 2021 at 2pm in the CP Hall. If you would like any changes to the long-term prayer list (printed in this service book), please contact Cathedral Office.

Lenten Study Books - on sale in the Cathedral Shop: Our Lent Studies this year will commence on Monday February 22nd following Ash Wednesday on February 17th. Studies will be led by Canon Jenny on Mondays at 10am and by Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold on Mondays at 7pm. We will be studying Rowan Williams' book 'Candles in the Dark'. This powerful and timely book brings together 26 weekly Christian meditations originally posted online from March to September 2020, during lockdown in the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, for the congregation of Bp Rowan's local parish church. We will find 'Candles in the Dark' a book of insight and comfort as we journey through Lent this year. 'Candles in the Dark' is now available at the Cathedral Shop for \$20.

Please email Rachel on <u>events@stpeters-</u> <u>cathedral.org.au</u> to register for a lent study group.

Keeping the Cathedral Open to Visitors:

More volunteers are needed to ensure the Cathedral remains open. Please consider joining this important ministry. In February we are looking to fill the following places: Saturday 6 February: 11am – 1pm Tuesday 9 February: 11am – 1pm Wednesday 24 February: 11am – 1pm Saturday 27 February: 11am – 1pm Every Saturday afternoon 1pm – 3pm Please call the Cathedral Office on 8267 4551 if you can assist.

Divine Intervention Exhibition Opening:

Saturday 13 February 2021 at 2pm, presented by The Friends of St Peter's Cathedral. You're invited to the official opening of Divine Intervention: a photographic exhibition of the St Peter's Cathedral Organ during its restoration in 2018, by photographer Chris Oaten of Insight Visuals. Your \$10 ticket includes a drink on arrival, a savoury snack, and a raffle ticket. Book now:

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Organ meets Opera: Concert on Sunday 14 February 2021 at 2pm: St Peter's Cathedral Director of Music Anthony Hunt will perform a selection of operatic treats on the magnificent Cathedral Organ, with special guest soprano Jessica Dean. Featuring organ transcriptions and operatic solos from Johann Strauss, Verdi, Rossini, Wagner and more. A fundraiser for the St Peter's Cathedral Music Foundation: supporting excellence in the sacred music of the Cathedral and beyond. Tickets: Adult \$35 | Concession \$20 Book online:

https://www.trybooking.com/BMMRN

Message from the Cathedral Wardens: Nomination Committee Please pray for the Nomination Committee's work of identifying who God is calling to the role of Dean: Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen. We continue to give thanks to God for the loving ministry of Dean Frank and Christine and hold them in our prayers as they prepare for the move to New Zealand after Easter. – Reuben Jacob, People's Warden & Kevin Stracey, Dean's Warden

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 31ST JANUARY 2021 Epiphany 4 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 Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

WEEKDAYS

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

WEDNESDAY 10:00am Holy Communion (BCP) (Lady Chapel)

SUNDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2021 Epiphany 5 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) Preacher: The Rev'd Peter Jin 10:30am Choral Eucharist Preacher: The Rev'd Peter Jin 6:00pm Choral Evensong Preacher: The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson



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