

Choral Evensong

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

6:00pm 9 May 2021

Welcome: In the gospel according to St John we are taught that love must be our definitive driver, and that we are to always seek to determine that which is true and that which is false and deceitful. We are to reach out in love for God, and for the people around us. John is careful to acknowledge the teaching of our Lord which states that in God we will find truth and come to understand that God is Love.

To explore the love of God we can think of the Trinity of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Even though this is one of the most perplexing mysteries of our faith, we know that the bond that holds the Trinity together as one unit is undoubtedly pure, unadulterated, beautiful, inspiring, and precious, Love. Love is God and God is love. And because God is identified as love we know that we are assured of God's love for us, and God's love for every person on the planet; indeed, his love for the planet itself. And we are called to share that love in our families and within our communities.

Sadly, there will be many times where we will be challenged by the standards of the world and we will ask ourselves over, and over again, "What is truth?" The only way to find the answer to this is to accept that God's love is all embracing and that no one person is abandoned. We may reject God, but God will never abandon us. This is truth!

The Rev'd Adrian Stephens, Locum Dean

Officiant

The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Preacher

The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

Canticles

Harris *in A*

Responses

June Nixon

Choir

St Peter's Cathedral Choir

Director of Music

Anthony Hunt

Organist

David Heah

Hymns: 796, 769, 567

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

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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 remain standing to sing the Office Hymn

Hymn: #796 [*Church Triumphant*]

The Lord is King! Lift up thy voice

1. 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!'
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?
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.
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 one empire all secures;
he reigns, and life and death are yours;
through earth and heaven one song shall ring,
'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

Josiah Conder (1789–1855)

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Please sit as the Choir sings Psalm 99 (Chant: Edgar Day)

The Lord is King, be the people never so impatient:

he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

The Lord is great in Sion: and high above all people.

They shall give thanks unto thy Name: which is great, wonderful, and holy.

The king's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity:

thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our God: and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name:

these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar:

for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

Thou heardest them, O Lord our God:

thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill:

for the Lord our God is holy.

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: Acts 13:44-14:7 (read by Michele de Courcy)

The next sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy; and blaspheming, they contradicted what was spoken by Paul. Then both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, 'It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken first to you. Since you reject it and judge yourselves to be unworthy of eternal life, we are now turning to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have set you to be a light for the Gentiles,

so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and praised the word of the Lord; and as many as had been destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread throughout the region. But the Jews incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, and stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their region. So they shook the dust off their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

The same thing occurred in Iconium, where Paul and Barnabas went into the Jewish synagogue and spoke in such a way that a great number of both Jews and Greeks became believers. But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brothers. So they remained for a long time, speaking boldly for the Lord, who testified to the word of his grace by granting signs and wonders to be done through them. But the residents of the city were divided; some sided with the Jews, and some with the apostles. And when an attempt was made by both Gentiles and Jews, with their rulers, to maltreat them and to stone them, the apostles learned of it and fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding country; and there they continued proclaiming the good news.

Here ends the first reading.

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: John 15:17-27 (read by Kirsty Munro)

I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

‘If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world – therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, “Servants are not greater than their master.” If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also.

But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. Whoever hates me hates my Father also. If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not have sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. It was to fulfil the word that is written in their law, “They hated me without a cause.”

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

Here ends the second reading.

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 the Sixth Sunday of Easter

Loving God, your Son has chosen us and called us to be his friends: give us grace to
keep his commandments, to love one another, and to bear fruit which will abide;
through him who is the true vine, the source of all our life, 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.**

1. Rejoice! The Lord is King,
your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore:
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*
2. Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:
3. His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:
4. He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
5. Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus the judge shall come,
and take his servants up
to their eternal home:
*We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound: rejoice!*

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

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Please sit for the Sermon: The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

Silence may follow

Please sit as the choir sings the Anthem:

Bainton (1880-1956) – *And I saw a New Heaven*

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:
For the first heaven and the first earth were passed away;
and there was no more sea.
And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem,
coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying,
Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,
and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people,
and God himself shall be with them and be their God.
And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes,
and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying,
neither shall there be any more pain,
for the former things are passed away.

Please kneel/sit for the Intercessions

Please stand to sing the Final Hymn

Hymn: #567 [Pleading Saviour]

Sing the gospel of salvation

1. Sing the gospel of salvation,
tell it out to all the earth;
to the ones so long excluded,
speak of hope and human worth.
All the darkness of injustice
cannot dim salvation's light,
for the outcast and exploited
count as worthy in God's sight.
2. Christ, the one eternal Shepherd,
calls creation to rejoice,
and the victims of oppression
thrill to hear salvation's voice.
All who recognize the Saviour
take their place within the fold,
there, in perfect truth and freedom,
life's eternal joys to hold.
3. See, the host that none can number
gathers in from every side,
once the victims of injustice,
now redeemed and glorified.
Fear and weeping here are ended,
hunger and oppression cease.
Now the Lamb becomes the Shepherd!
Now begins the reign of peace!

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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 Ghost, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

You are invited to listen reflectively to the organ postlude:

Howells (1892-1983) – *Psalm Prelude Op. 32 No. 1*

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS

A prayer as we seek a new 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.**

International	The Anglican Church of Kenya Primate Abp Jackson Ole Sapit
National	Canberra and Goulburn: Mark Short (Monica)
South Australia	
<i>Diocese of Adelaide</i>	St Peter's Woodlands Grammar School: Principal Helen Finlay, Chaplain Michele Yuen
<i>Diocese of Willochra</i>	Eastern Eyre Peninsula (Cleve, Cowell, Kimba): Hellena Thom
<i>Diocese of The Murray</i>	Lower Limestone Coast (Mt Gambier): Neil Fernando (Nalini)
Immediate Prayer	Bishop David McCall, Phil Stephen, Liz Johnson, Gerard Knight, Pauline Van Buren
Long Term Prayer	Cynthia Thomas, Nicholas Tipping, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Dianne Watt, Philip Satchell, Edna Allison, Heather Scott, Mary Halczuk, Bob, John Pearse, Ossy Grotto, Richard Haselgrove
Rest in Peace	Barry Black – Funeral to be held at Christ Church, 62 Jeffcott St North Adelaide, at 1pm on Monday 10 May 2021
Year's Mind	10 th Hilda Large 11 th William Francis Maitland, Thomas Edward Jones, Alison Andrew 13 th Derek Spencer 15 th Penelope White, John Meagher

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.**

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Tonight, Lynn's guest will be Peter King, former CEO of Fairfax and activist in Christian development agencies.

Ascension Day Evensong: Will be held in the Cathedral on Thursday 13 May 2021 at 6pm.

Magdalene Centre Dinner – 15 May 2021:

Our first visit to the Centre for 2021 is on Saturday 15 May – *with a few little changes*. All meals will be prepared for takeaway only. If you are willing to provide a casserole, please put your name on the clipboard (on the table near the main doors) and take a copy of the common casserole recipe that we use. We would also ask people to make a Cake or Brownies for dessert. Due to COVID restrictions we require 6 people only to assist on the night. Please add your name to the clipboard if you can help on the night (approximately 4.45 until 7.30pm). If you would like to help with the expenses there are specially marked envelopes for your donations. Donations will be collected from the Cathedral at 6pm on Friday 15 May. Please contact Jillian Badge on 0406 860 934 or jillianbadge1@gmail.com. We welcome any new volunteers.

St Peter's Cathedral Music Foundation Annual General Meeting – 16 May 2021

The Music Foundation AGM will be held in the Cathedral, after evensong, on Sunday 16 May 2021. Up to five members are to be elected to the Executive Committee for a period of one year. Nominations must be received by Cathedral Office (office@stpeters-cathedral.org.au) by Friday 14 May 2021.

Pastoral Carers: The next meeting of the Pastoral Care Team will be held on Wednesday 12 May 2021. If you would like any changes to the long-term prayer list (printed in this service book), please contact the Cathedral Office.

The Ascension

Thursday is the Feast day of The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ and it marks forty days since the celebration of Easter. The Ascension is an important and noted date in our church calendar and in many circles is recognised as a Holy Day of Obligation. On the feast day of the Ascension we stand with the disciples and we are filled with awe as our Lord ascends into heaven. There are many images of the Ascension and all of them portray the bodily Ascension of our Lord. We can be confused by the scriptural examples of the many people who failed to recognise the resurrected Christ. We recall Mary Magdalene, the disciples on the road to Emmaus, the disciples in the upper room, and no doubt many others who failed to recognise Jesus as he appeared among them over the forty days between Resurrection and Ascension. It seems to me that the ascension of Jesus is another mystery of our faith that we sometimes try to reduce to the capacity of our western, rational mind. It is enough that Jesus died to this life, was raised from the dead, appeared to his disciples, and then Ascended into Heaven. We do not need to rationalise this miracle; we only need to accept it and believe that our Lord will fulfil his promise of eternal life for each one of us.



History Festival: In May 2021 St Peter's Cathedral is taking part in South Australia's History Festival! The tour leaders have prepared a fantastic program including guided tours, short organ recitals, and a special weekday Evensong service for Ascension Day (Thursday 13 May at 6pm). Visit <http://www.stpeters-cathedral.org.au/about/visit-us-tours/> for more information.

South Australia History Festival

Cathedral History

May 2021

Exhibitions & Tours

The Changemakers:

Guided Tour with Organ Recital

Saturday 1 May 2021
Tour 11.00am, Organ Recital 11.40am

Guided Tour

Wednesday 5 May 2021, 11.00am

Guided Tour with Organ Recital

Saturday 8 May 2021
Tour 11.00am, Organ Recital 11.40am

Guided Tour

Wednesday 12 May 2021, 11.00am

Late Afternoon Tour with Choral Evensong

Thursday 13 May 2021 (Ascension Day)
Tour 5.00pm, Evensong 6.00pm

Guided Tour with Organ Recital

Saturday 15 May 2021
Tour 2.00pm, Organ Recital 2.40pm

Guided Tour

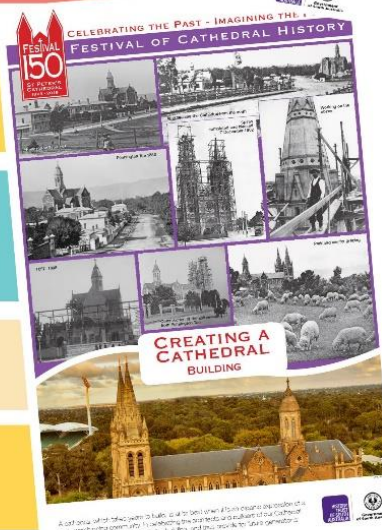
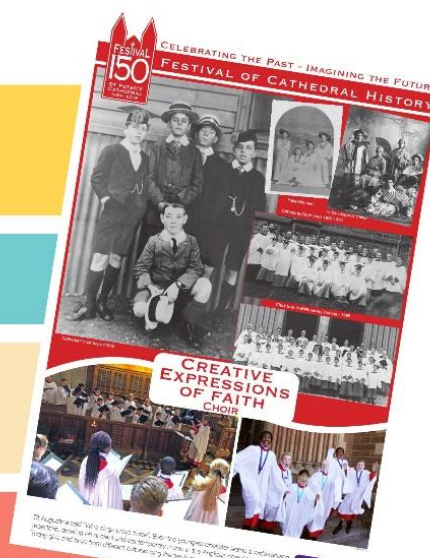
Wednesday 19 May 2021, 11.00am

Guided Tour

Wednesday 26 May 2021, 11.00am

Guided Tour with Organ Recital

Saturday 29 May 2021
Tour 2.00pm, Organ Recital 2.40pm



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THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 9TH MAY 2021

Easter 6

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

6:00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

WEEKDAYS

7:30am Eucharist

(Lady Chapel)

8:45am Morning Prayer

(Dean's Chapel)

WEDNESDAY

10:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

(Lady Chapel)

THURSDAY 13TH MAY 2021

6:00pm Evensong – Ascension Day

SUNDAY 16TH MAY 2021

Easter 7

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Preacher: The Rev'd Adrian Stephens

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Adrian Stephens

6:00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson



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