BCP Eucharist The Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:00am 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

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

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Celebrant The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Preacher The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO



Please leave the post-it note on your seat as a marker for the cleaners.

Please kneel/sit

Let us pray.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.

This is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

The Collect

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**.

Please sit for the first reading: Acts 10:44-48 (read by Daryl Farnham)

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

Psalm 98

O sing to the Lord a new song: for he has done marvellous things; His right hand and his holy arm: they have got him the victory.

The Lord has made known his salvation:

he has revealed his just deliverance in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel: and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth: break into singing and make melody.

Make melody to the Lord upon the harp:

upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.

With trumpets and with horns: cry out in triumph before the Lord, the king. Let the sea roar, and all that fills it: the good earth and those who live upon it. Let the rivers clap their hands:

and let the mountains ring out together before the Lord;

For he comes to judge the earth:

he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Second reading: 1 John 5:1-12 (read by Alyson Morrison)

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

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

Please stand for the Gospel: John 15:9-17

The Lord be with you And with thy spirit

The Holy Gospel is written in the 15th Chapter of the Gospel according to John, beginning at the 9th verse

Glory be to thee, O Lord

Jesus said: As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord, Praise be to thee, O Christ

Please remain standing for the Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe One Holy Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Please sit for the Sermon: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

Silence may follow, during which final preparations are done on the altar.

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Please kneel/sit for the Intercessions

Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy apostle to make prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people: we ask you in your mercy to accept our alms and oblations and to receive our prayers which we offer to your divine majesty. We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the ways of righteousness and peace, and guide their rulers in wisdom and justice for the tranquility and good of all. Bless especially your servant Elizabeth our Queen, her representatives and ministers, her parliaments, and all who exercise authority in this land.

Grant that they may impartially administer justice, restrain wickedness and vice, and uphold integrity and truth.

We beseech you to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy name may agree in the truth of your holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Geoff our Archbishop, Denise, Tim and Chris our bishops, that, by their life and doctrine, they may set forth your true, life-giving word, and rightly and duly administer your holy sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present, that they may receive your word with meek hearts and due reverence and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We ask you of your goodness, Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We also bless your holy name for all your servants who have died in the faith of Christ. Give us grace to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of your heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

The Priest then turns to the people and says:

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

The General Confession

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Comfortable words

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him. Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

St Matthew 11:28

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Hear also what Saint John saith:

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 St John 2:1

1 Timothy 1:15

Let us pray: The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Preface and Sanctus

The Lord be with you; **And with thy spirit**.

Lift up your hearts; **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

St John 3:16

The Prayer of Consecration

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his Holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and with thy Holy and Life-giving Spirit vouchsafe to bless and sanctify both us and these thy gifts of Bread and Wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to the end that we, receiving the same, may be strengthened both in body and soul.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

Drink ye all of this, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Prayer of Oblation

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants, having in remembrance the precious death and passion of thy dear Son, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, according to his holy institution, entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

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. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you **And with thy spirit.**

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world; grant us thy peace.

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered at the nave platform in one kind (bread) only. Please follow the guidance of stewards and servers. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward and receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal). Gluten free bread is available; please ask for this from the priest giving communion.

The Thanksgiving

Having now by faith received the precious Body and Blood of Christ, let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Please stand for the Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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.**

Please remain standing as the Clergy depart

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 National South Australia	The Anglican Church of Kenya Primate Abp Jackson Ole Sapit Canberra and Goulburn: Mark Short (Monica)
Diocese of Adelaide Diocese of Willochra Diocese of The Murray	St Peter's Woodlands Grammar School: Principal Helen Finlay, Chaplain Michele Yuen Eastern Eyre Peninsula (Cleve, Cowell, Kimba): Hellena Thom 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	 10th Hilda Large 11th William Francis Maitland, Thomas Edward Jones, Alison Andrew 13th Derek Spencer 15th 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

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.

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. 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 <u>http://www.stpeterscathedral.org.au/about/visit-us-tours/</u> for more information.

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.

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

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 (<u>office@stpeters-cathedral.org.au</u>) by Friday 14 May 2021.

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.

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 9^{тн} 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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