

Evening Prayer

The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

6:00pm 3 October 2021

Welcome:

The book of Job is unsettling at best, confronting at worst. Taken at face value there is a punitive God being goaded by the devil. The result being the total harassment of an innocent man. This is wrong on so many counts. It is best to look beyond the face value and to seek the deeper meaning. While Job is presented as wearing sackcloth and sitting in ashes, there is that very worthwhile example of a man, regardless of his personal suffering, who refuses to deny his faith and his God. Even though Job appears to wish himself to be unknown while condemning the day he was born. His faith in God never waivers. There is the resounding theme of "why". Why is this happening to me? But never is there a denial of the presence of God.

From time to time many of us are tempted to question God. When someone we love dearly dies before their time we will cry out in confusion, "why?" It is a perfectly reasonable response to extreme suffering. In amongst our cry of "why?" is the fundamental promise of our Lord. He promises that he will never leave us. He will never leave us as orphans. Even though we may never know why we suffer we can be assured that our God is present with us, and God is giving us the strength to overcome.

The Rev'd Adrian Stephens, Locum Dean

Officiant

The Rev'd Peter Jin

Preacher

The Rev'd Adrian Stephens

Organist

David Heah

Hymns: 340, 15, 763

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CATHEDRAL

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Please stand as the Clergy enter

The Officiant welcomes the Congregation

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 Congregation say 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 (masks must be worn while singing)

Hymn: # 340 [St Fulbert]	We praise you, Lord, for Jesus Christ
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| 1. We praise you, Lord, for Jesus Christ
who died and rose again;
he lives to break the power of sin,
and over death to reign. | 3. We praise you, Lord, that now this child
is grafted to the vine,
is made a member of your house
and bears the cross as sign. |
| 2. We praise you that this child now shares
the freedom Christ can give,
has died to sin with Christ, and now
with Christ is raised to live. | 4. We praise you, Lord, for Jesus Christ;
he loves this child we bring:
he frees, forgives, and heals us all,
he lives and reigns as King. |

Judith Beatrice O'Neill (1930–2006)

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Psalm 8 (said)

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world:
 thou that has set thy glory above the heavens!
**Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength,
because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger.**
For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers:
 the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.
**What is man, that thou art mindful of him:
and the son of man, that thou visitest him?**
Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship.

**Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands:
and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;**

All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field;

The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea:

and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

O Lord our Governor: **how excellent is thy Name in all the world!**

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: Job 3 (read by Bill Goodes)

After this Job opened his mouth and cursed the day of his birth. Job said:

'Let the day perish on which I was born,

and the night that said,

"A man-child is conceived."

Let that day be darkness!

May God above not seek it,

or light shine on it.

Let gloom and deep darkness claim it.

Let clouds settle upon it;

let the blackness of the day terrify it.

That night—let thick darkness seize it!

let it not rejoice among the days of the year;

let it not come into the number of the months.

Yes, let that night be barren;

let no joyful cry be heard in it.

Let those curse it who curse the Sea,

those who are skilled to rouse up Leviathan.

Let the stars of its dawn be dark;

let it hope for light, but have none;

may it not see the eyelids of the morning—

because it did not shut the doors of my mother's womb,

and hide trouble from my eyes.

'Why did I not die at birth,

come forth from the womb and expire?

Why were there knees to receive me,

or breasts for me to suck?

Now I would be lying down and quiet;

I would be asleep; then I would be at rest

with kings and counsellors of the earth

who rebuild ruins for themselves,

or with princes who have gold,

who fill their houses with silver.

Or why was I not buried like a stillborn child,

like an infant that never sees the light?

There the wicked cease from troubling,
and there the weary are at rest.
There the prisoners are at ease together;
they do not hear the voice of the taskmaster.
The small and the great are there,
and the slaves are free from their masters.

'Why is light given to one in misery,
and life to the bitter in soul,
who long for death, but it does not come,
and dig for it more than for hidden treasures;
who rejoice exceedingly,
and are glad when they find the grave?
Why is light given to one who cannot see the way,
whom God has fenced in?
For my sighing comes like my bread,
and my groanings are poured out like water.
Truly the thing that I fear comes upon me,
and what I dread befalls me.
I am not at ease, nor am I quiet;
I have no rest; but trouble comes.'

Here ends the first reading.

Please stand to say 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: Hebrews 2:4,14-3:6 (read by Chris Goodes)

God added his testimony by signs and wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit, distributed according to his will.

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Therefore, brothers and sisters, holy partners in a heavenly calling, consider that Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses also 'was faithful in all God's house.' Yet Jesus is worthy of more glory than Moses, just as the builder of a house has more honour than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that would be spoken later. Christ, however, was faithful over God's house as a son, and we are his house if we hold firm the confidence and the pride that belong to hope.

Here ends the second reading.

Please stand to say 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 Congregation say the Responses 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 Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity

Lord, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through 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 (masks must be worn while singing)

Hymn: #15 [Tallis's Canon]

Glory to Thee, my God, this night

1. Glory to thee, my God, this night
for all the blessings of the light;
keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
beneath thy own almighty wings.
2. Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
the ill that I this day have done,
that with the world, myself, and thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
3. Teach me to live, that I may dread
the grave as little as my bed;
teach me to die, that so I may
rise glorious at the awful day.
4. O may my soul on thee repose,
and with sweet sleep my eyelids close,
sleep that may me more vigorous make
to serve my God when I awake.
5. When in the night I sleepless lie,
my soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
no powers of darkness me molest.
6. Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below,
praise him above, angelic host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Thomas Ken (1637–1711)

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Please sit for the Sermon: The Rev'd Adrian Stephens

Music for reflection

Please kneel/sit for the Intercessions

Please stand to sing the Final Hymn (masks must be worn while singing)

Hymn: #763 [Gerontius]

Praise to the holiest in the height

1. Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.
2. O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.
3. O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe,
should strive and should prevail;
4. And that a higher gift than grace
should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self,
and essence all-divine.
5. O generous love! that he, who smote
in Man for man the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo;
6. And in the garden secretly,
and on the cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.
7. Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

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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:

Francis Jackson (b.1917) – *Legend*

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers for Afghanistan: God of the nations, have mercy on your broken and divided world. Guide us to live in peace with each other and remove from us all that makes for war. May we learn to live together in peace. We pray for people who are in conflict and think at this time of the people of Afghanistan. Take away prejudice, cruelty, and revenge. Grant that all barriers between your people may be removed and may suspicion disappear and hatred cease. We offer our prayer in our faith, hope, and through your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.** (*Based on Prayers for the World and the Nation, page 202, APBA*)

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 Church in Wales Primate Abp John Davies
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Long Term Prayer	Cynthia Thomas, Nicholas Tipping, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Edna Allison, Heather Scott, Mary Halczuk, Bob, John Pearse, Ossy Grotto, Richard Haselgrove, Liz Johnson, Anne Hogben, Cricket Fox, Pauline Van Buren, Peter Garland
Rest in Peace	Brother Daniel SSF
Year's Mind	3 rd Philip Carrington, Gertrude Monica Millington
	5 th Geoffrey Ernest Martin, William Archibald Moore, Augustus Short (Bp)
	6 th Ernest Auricht, Robert Ringwood, Gordon Dent
	8 th Ted Heinrich, Colin Carew Chittleborough
	9 th Alan Frederick, Victor Hugh Sheppard, Robert Urlwin

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Tonight, Lynn's guest will be Capt. Paul Ghanem, ADF Chaplain and also a Franciscan.

The Friends of St Peter's Cathedral Masked Hymn Singing: Will be held after evensong on Sunday 10 October 2021. Enquiries to Pam Saint 0419 031 871.

Hills Home Group: will be meeting for breakfast on Saturday 9 October at 9am at the home of the Morgans. Please contact Sally Morgan on 0466 596 073 for details.

Morning Tea Helpers: We would be very grateful for more helpers. If you would like to assist as a biscuit maker and/or helper on the day, Canon Jenny would love to hear from you: jwilson@stpeters-cathedral.org.au

Servers meeting: Canon Jenny invites all altar servers to meet on Saturday 9 October at 3 pm in the Cynthia Poulton Hall. Servers who have recently joined the team are particularly welcome to this opportunity to get to know everyone. RSVP to Secretary: lesmilner@hotmail.com, 0416 090 143.

Morning Tea: will be held after the 10.30am Eucharist next Sunday morning, 10th October in the Cynthia Poulton Hall. All welcome.

Welcomers Needed: Saturday 16th and Saturday 23rd (11am - 1pm and 1pm - 3pm). Please contact the Cathedral Office if you can help.

Dean's Installation: Sunday 31 October 2021 at 6pm. The Churchwardens, on behalf of the Cathedral Community, are pleased to invite you to the Commissioning and Installation of The Right Reverend Chris McLeod as the fifth Dean of St Peter's Cathedral. RSVPs are essential due to COVID restrictions. Car parking available in University Lane Car Park, Pennington Terrace, North Adelaide (opposite Cathedral). If you do not use email, please call the Cathedral Office to book in, or you can RSVP online: www.trybooking.com/BUBVH

Rank on Rank - an Organ Recital by David Heah

Coming up on **Saturday 16 October 2021 at 2pm**, St Peter's Cathedral Organist David Heah presents a sparkling program, exploring the full range of the recently restored Cathedral Organ. David will take you on a musical tour of this most complex of machines, with fascinating insights into the inner workings of the King of Instruments.

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THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2021

Pentecost 19

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 Rev'd Adrian Stephens

WEEKDAYS

7:30am Eucharist

(Lady Chapel)

8:45am Morning Prayer

(Dean's Chapel)

WEDNESDAY

10:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

(Lady Chapel)

SUNDAY 10TH OCTOBER

Pentecost 20

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 Canon Jenny Wilson



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