

BCP EUCHARIST PROPERS

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2022

8AM



A warm welcome to St Peter's Cathedral as we gather for worship this morning.

St Peter's Cathedral resides on the lands of the Kurna people. We give thanks for their ancestors and acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country. We are committed to work and pray towards a more just settlement for all Indigenous people and pay our respect to First Nations people with us.

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

I look from afar, and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth. The Advent antiphon sung as our Introit in St Peter's Cathedral this morning has held in the very music a sense of longing, of hoping, of waiting. The writer of the antiphon is courageous in his description ...he names for what he longs ... the power of God coming.

Advent is this time of waiting. Waiting is so often woven into the spiritual life, the praying life, the life that is at the heart of our very beings as followers of Christ. There are times, though, perhaps when we least expect it, when God breaks in. When the time of waiting is ended. On this, the Fourth Sunday of Advent, we hear the story of God breaking in to Joseph's life, announcing the arrival of the child to be named Jesus, the one who will save us from our sins, the one who is Emmanuel, God with us.

As we approach Christmas may we be expectant that God in the Christ child will break into our lives and life of all creation, bringing hope, joy and peace.

*The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson
Precentor.*

Celebrant: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Readers: Janine Phillips, The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

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COLLECT

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

CEREMONY OF THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Celebrant Today is the third Sunday in Advent.
We light a candle each week to remind us that Jesus brings light into the dark places of the world.

Reader We light the candle of hope to proclaim that God's light is coming into the world.

The first candle (purple, the Candle of Hope) is lit

Reader We light the candle of peace to proclaim that God's promises will be fulfilled in the birth of Jesus – Prince of Peace.

The second candle (purple, the Candle of Peace) is lit

Celebrant We rejoice and sing out with gladness at the message of God's salvation.

Reader We light the candle of joy to celebrate that God's saving power is coming into the world.

The third candle (pink, the Candle of Joy) is lit

Reader We light the candle of love, remembering that your light has shone in our darkened world through the child-bearing of blessed Mary.

The fourth candle (purple, the Candle of Love) is lit

All **God of Love, grant that we who have seen your glory may daily be renewed in your image and prepared like her for the coming of your Son, who is the Lord and Saviour of all.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

ISAIAH 7.10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 80.1-7, 17-19

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that led Joseph like a flock:

you that are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine out in glory;

Before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh:

stir up your power, and come to save us.

Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:

show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

O Lord God of hosts: how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?

You have fed them with the bread of tears: and given them tears to drink in good measure.

You have made us the victim of our neighbours:

and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:

show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Let your power rest on the man at your right hand:

on that son of man whom you made so strong for yourself.

And so we shall not turn back from you: give us life, and we will call upon your name.

Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:

show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

ROMANS 1.1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

The Lord be with you

And with thy spirit

The Holy Gospel is written in the 1st Chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew, beginning at the 18th verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord

MATTHEW 1.18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.

But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.'

When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife,

but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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



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nurturing spirit and mind
CATHEDRAL

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International The Anglican Church of Korea Primate Abp Peter Kyongho Lee

National North-West Australia: Bishop-elect Daryll Parker (Elizabeth)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide St Mark's College: master Don Markwell, chaplain Grant Moore (Olwen)

Diocese of Willochra Port Lincoln (Coult, Lake Wangary, Poonindie, Port Lincoln):
Stephen Weickhardt (Vanessa); Missionaries on Active Service

Diocese of The Murray Southern Suburbs: Cliff Greaves, Andrew Forder (Debra),
Deacon Carol Cornwall (John)

For the People

We hold before God all those who have asked for our prayers, particularly:

Immediate Prayer: Marion Ferguson, Heather Scott, Audrey, Peter Black, Jean Arnold

Long Term Prayer: Francis Brooks, Peter Garland, Michael Ford, Max Lennard, Chris, Cynthia Thomas, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Matilda Lane, Patsy & Joan, Helena Fernandes, Norton and Judy Schenscher, Cricket Fox, Daniella

We pray for those whose years mind occurs at this time:

18th Alan Hayward

19th Geoffrey Tremayne Sambell
Kenneth William George Treagus

20th Hazel Shirley Whittney

21st Kate Abel Smith
Richard Frederick Haselgrove

22nd Daniel Ditmar-Jansse
Kathleen Moyle

Jean Douglas McNicol
23rd Priscilla Mary Gilbert Brown

NOTICES

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold – This week Lynn Arnold's guest will be The Most Rev'd Geoffrey Smith.

Tea/coffee after regular services:

Our community has slowly been returning to having morning tea on a semi-regular basis. We are now able to have the following gatherings:

- The Wednesday 10am community have tea and coffee after the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 4th January
- The Sunday 8am community have tea and coffee after the first Sunday of each month, The next gathering will take place on Sunday 1st January
- After the 10:30am service, please join us for tea and coffee after this morning's service. This morning is the last morning tea for the year!

New opportunities for Welcomers - We are delighted to be opening the Cathedral morning and afternoon, 10.30-1 and 1-3.30 from this month. If you are interested in volunteering to help us achieve this, please contact Suzanne in the office. Even one shift a month would help. Training provided.

Brass and Silver Polishing - The small, dedicated, and friendly team of brass and silver polishers are looking for willing hearts and hands to help with this rewarding task. Meet once a fortnight on a Friday or Saturday morning; no prior experience needed. **All welcome!** For more information or to express an interest, please contact Ranjini on 0412 790 544, or the Cathedral Office.

Planned Giving – The Cathedral is migrating its Planned Giving Bank Account to Anglican Funds SA. Please arrange for your Planned Giving to go to BSB: 705-077, Account No: 00040056, Account Name: St Peter's Cathedral Planned Giving, Reference: Your Name.

Company of Preachers – Entering the Year of Matthew – A date for our diaries! On Wednesday 1st February at 7pm, Rev'd Professor Vicki Balabanski, Principal of the Uniting College for Leadership and Theology, will give a lecture on Matthew's Gospel - in the Cynthia Poulton Hall at St Peter's Cathedral. As we enter the Year of Matthew, this lecture will give inspiration to not only preachers but to bible study leaders, parishioners and all who find wisdom in the scriptures.

Donate flowers for our Christmas display – The Cathedral flower guild are planning a 'garden Christmas' this year! If you have holly or blue and white agapanthus in your garden with some to spare, we'd be happy to receive some. They can be left at the Cathedral or office on Thursday 22nd December during opening hours - Julie and Elspeth will be collecting.

January at St Peter's Cathedral – Sundays - 8am BCP Eucharist, 10.30am Sung Eucharist, 6pm Night Prayer. Wednesdays - 7.30am Eucharist, 10am BCP Eucharist. Fridays - 7.30am Eucharist

Christmas at St Peter's Cathedral



All Welcome

Sunday 18 December 2022

**6:00pm: Blue Christmas Service
(Evening service with hymns)**

A service for those who are struggling this Christmas. The simple act of lighting a candle serves to remind us that the darkness has not overcome the light. (John 1:5)

CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday 24 December 2022

4:00pm: Children's Crib Service

Children are invited to come dressed as characters from the Christmas story.

This service will last approximately one hour.

7:00pm: Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

With the St Peter's Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Organ.

**11:00pm: The First Eucharist of Christmas
(Midnight Mass)**

Doors open at 10.15pm (not ticketed)

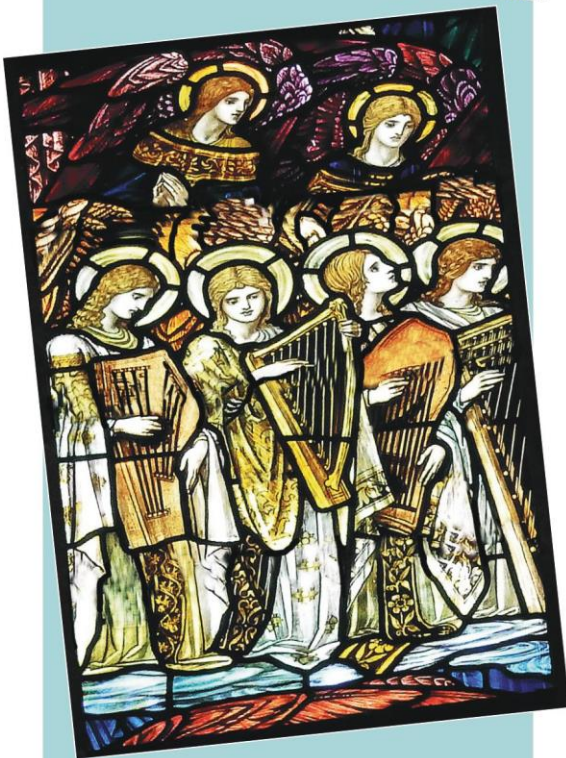
With the St Peter's Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Organ.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday 25 December 2022

8:00am: Holy Communion (BCP) with Carols

10:00am: Festive Choral Eucharist



THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

For some services, the West Doors of the Cathedral are not opened. Please make your way to the northern (carpark) side of the Cathedral and enter through the St Barnabas Porch.

MON 19TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	9.15am	Morning Prayer (St Barnabas College)
	10:30am-1:00pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
TUES 20TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
WED 21ST DEC THOMAS, APOSTLE AND MARTYR	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:00am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
	5:30pm	Evening Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
THURS 22ND DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
FRI 23RD DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
SAT 24TH DEC	4:00pm	Children's Crib Service
	7:00pm	Nine Lessons and Carols
	11:00pm	Midnight Mass
		Preacher – The Most Rev'd Geoffrey Smith
SUN 25TH DEC THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD CHRISTMAS DAY	8:00am	Eucharist from The Book of Common Prayer Preacher – The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO
	10:00am	Choral Eucharist
		Preacher – The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod

CATHEDRAL STAFF

Dean	The Right Reverend Chris McLeod
Canon Precentor	The Reverend Canon Jenny Wilson
Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Dr Lynn Arnold AO
Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Joan Claring-Bould
Cathedral Office	Suzanne Wilson, Robyn Shilcock, Marco Callisto, Emma Simpson-Smith
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