

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 Kaurna 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.

Today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday in Lent, also known as Refreshment Sunday, Laetare Sunday, or Mothering Sunday!

We are now just past the halfway point of our Lenten journey, and the church has traditionally allowed a brief 'lightening' of Lent for this Sunday. A small symbol of that is found in the use of Rose vestments instead of Violet. In England, it became a custom for servants to have this Sunday off, and for many people to return to their mother church where they were baptised, and indeed to visit their own mothers.

Our readings today reflect this sense of being partway through our journey. In the wilderness journey of Israel, the going is getting hard and people are wondering whether God's way is worth it after all. But in the midst of pain and death God offers deliverance for any who choose to receive it. Our gospel reading echoes this same open invitation in the famous words of John 3:16, 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life'.

May we all sense the love of God generously offered to us in Word and Sacrament as we gather in worship this morning.

Blessings,

The Rev'd Ben Falcon Honorary Assistant Deacon

> Celebrant: The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod Preacher: The Rev'd Ben Falcon Readers: Brian White, Barbara White

Please use this Propers booklet in conjunction with the yellow Order of Service.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

NUMBERS 21.4-9

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107.1-3, 17-22

Please respond with the phrases in bold

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: for his loving mercy is for ever.

Let the Lord's redeemed say so:

whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,

And gathered in from every land, from the east and from the west:

from the north and from the south.

Fools were far gone in transgression: and because of their sins were afflicted. They sickened at any food: and had come to the gates of death.

Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:

and he took them out of their trouble.

He sent his word and healed them: and saved their life from the Pit.

Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:

and for the wonders that he does for the children of Adam; Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving: and tell what he has done with shouts of joy.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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 3rd Chapter of the Gospel according to John, beginning at verse 14.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to Nicodemus 'And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

JOHN 3.14-21

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NOTICES

Tea/coffee after regular services: Our community offers hospitality at the following times:

- The Wednesday 10 am community have tea and coffee after the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 3 April.
- The Sunday 8 am community have tea and coffee after the first Sunday of each month. The next gathering will take place on Sunday 7 April.
- After the 10.30 am Eucharist, there is tea and coffee provided every week.

Lent Sermon Series – During Lent a sermon series focusing on the Lord's Prayer will take place over 5 Sunday Evensongs. We do hope you will join us.

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold (7 pm on 1079Life). Lynn's guest this week will be Hugh Morris – Director of the Royal School of Church Music. His role includes three roles – Music, Education and Christian Faith which will all be discussed on Sunday night!

Cathedral Serving vacancies. We are currently inviting expressions of interest from the Cathedral community in joining our team of 30+ altar servers. An additional server is needed for each of the following services: 8 am Sunday Eucharist, 6 pm Sunday Evensong and 10 am Wednesday Eucharist. This is a once-a-month role, and training will be given before starting. Please address enquiries to <u>lesmilner@hotmail.com</u>.

Annual Vestry Meeting - The Cathedral's Annual Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday 17 March. After Choral Eucharist there will be a brief time of hospitality, followed by the Vestry Meeting which will be held in the Cynthia Poulton Hall. Business includes the receipt of reports, as well as appointments by the Dean, and the election by the congregation of the People's Warden, members of Cathedral Council (2 positions, serving for 2 years), the Nomination Committee (3 positions, serving for 1 year), and a casual vacancy among our Synod Representatives (to 30 June 2025 being the remainder of the current 3 year term elected in 2022). Nomination forms are available today and should be returned to the Cathedral Administrator by 5 pm on Wednesday 13 March.

For your Prayers

For the Church	
International	The Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop, Archbishop Michael Curry
National	Bishop to the Armed Forces: Bishop Grant Dibden (Jeanette)
South Australia	
Diocese of Adelaide	Anglican Chaplains in Private Hospitals: Adelaide Clinic, Elizabeth McWhae; Burnside Hospital, vacant; St Andrew's Hospital, St John's Parish; Philip Kennedy Centre, vacant
Diocese of Willochra	Ministry District of Eyre (Colton, Cummins, Elliston, Minnipa, Sheringa, Tumby Bay, Wudinna): vacant
Diocese of The Murray	Mount Gambier (Mount Gambier, Mount Schank): Neil Fernando (Nalini)

For the People

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

Long Term Prayer: Francis Brooks, Peter Garland, Max Lennard, Chris, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Matilda Lane, Helena Fernandes, Cricket Fox, Daniella, Peter Black, Jean Arnold, Martin Reece, Norton & Judy Schenscher, Joseph Burgess (WCH), John Hankin, Brooke Garry, David, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Sarah Boorman, Stephen Lane, Edna Allison, Jane Mitchell, Audrey Ball.

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

- 10th Amy Berry Frank Hulme-Moir
- 12th Douglas Farnham Shield Stephen Andersson
- 13th Richard Elliot Saunders
- 14th Keith Hutton
- I 5th Edgar Castle
 Sarah Elizabeth Woollatt
 Olive May McDonald
 Paul Colin Bridgman
 Mary Kingsnorth Bleby
 Oswald Grotto (2022)
- 16th Joe Marshall

The Cathedral is compiling a database of the lives of those whose names appear on the Year's Mind list. If you have any biographical details of any of the people remembered today, please contact Stuart Langshaw - langshawstuart@gmail.com

THE WINDBORNE SINGERS ANCIENT POLYPHONY & FOLK MUSIC

MARCH 7 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY MEDITATION BAROQUE CANTATA, CHOIR ORGAN + SAXOPHONE

MARCH 29 3PM

PATRONAL FESTIVAL RECITA GUEST ORGANIST MICHAEL STEWART, NEW ZEALAND

JUNE 29 2PM

ANGEL VOICES

CATHEDRAL CHOIR + CATHEDRAL CONSORT

AUGUST 24 2PM

ORGAN FIREWORKS ORGAN DUETS: ANTHONY HUNT + JOSH VAN KONKELENBERG

OCTOBER 26 2PM

WITH ADELAIDE BAROQUE DECEMBER 20 & 21 7PM

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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.

Sun 10 March Fourth Sunday in Lent International Woman Composer Sunday	10:30 am	Eucharist (BCP) Choral Eucharist Choral Evensong
MON II MARCH	7:30 am 9:15 am 10:30 am - 1 pm	
Tues 12 March	7:30 am 8:45 am 10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
Wed 13 March	7:30 am 8:45 am 10 am 10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
Thurs 14 March	7:30 am 8:45 am 10:30 am - 3:30 pm	
Fri 15 March	7:30 am 8:45 am 10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Eucharist (Lady Chapel) Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
SAT 16 MARCH		Cathedral Closed
Sun 17 March Fifth Sunday in Lent	8 am 10:30 am 6 pm	Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Dr Susan Straub

CATHEDRAL STAFF

Dean	The Right Reverend Chris McLeod
Canon Precentor	The Reverend Canon Jenny Wilson
Assistant Priest	The Reverend Dr Susan Straub
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Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Joan Claring-Bould
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