

**CHORAL EVENSONG**  
**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**5 MAY 2024**  
**6 PM**

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral. We are delighted to have you worship with us today for this service of Choral Evensong from the Book of Common Prayer. As the choir and clergy lead this service, allow the music and words to bring you into a stillness and prayerful reflection with God. Please join us in saying the words in bold. The hymns can be found in the separate hymn book. Indications for sitting, kneeling, and standing are a guide only.

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.**

The Psalms are the earliest hymn book of the church and of the Hebrew believers before Christ. They don't always speak easily to our contemporary context because of our historical and cultural distance, and yet there is still much to be gleaned from these poetic prayers, which for centuries have been prayed with faithfulness and raw honesty in contexts of personal and corporate crisis.

Tonight we will reflect on Psalm 99 and its call to worship the forgiving God who loves justice.

Blessings,

*The Rev'd Ben Falcon*  
*Deacon*

**Officiant:** The Right Reverend Chris McLeod

**Preacher:** The Rev'd Ben Falcon

**Readers:** Kevin Stracey, Anthony Hunt

**Choir:** St Peter's Cathedral Gregorian Choir

**Conductor:** Anthony Hunt

**Organist:** Josh Van Konkelenberg

**Hymns:** 796, 769

*Please stand as the clergy and choir enter.*

*The choir sings*

## THE PRECES

David Swale (1928-2018)

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.

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 be seated for the welcome.*

*The choir sings*

## PSALM 99

Chant: George Thomas Surtees Talbot (1875-1918)

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*

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*

## THE FIRST LESSON

ACTS 13.44-14.7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 13, beginning at verse 44.

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 Lesson.

*Please stand. The choir sings*

### MAGNIFICAT

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946) in *Eb*

*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*

## SECOND LESSON

JOHN 15.18-27

A reading from the Gospel of John, Chapter 15, beginning at verse 18.

Jesus said to the disciples: '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 lesson.

*Please stand.*

*The choir sings*

## NUNC DIMITTIS

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946) in *Eb*

*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.*

*Remain standing*

## 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 catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Remain standing. The choir sings*

## THE LESSER LITANY AND RESPONSES

David Swale (1928-2018)

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.*

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
*And grant us thy salvation.*

○ Lord, save the King.  
*And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.  
*And make thy chosen people joyful.*

○ Lord, save thy people.  
*And bless thine inheritance.*

Give peace in our time, ○ Lord.  
*Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

○ God, make clean our hearts within us.  
*And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

## COLLECTS

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. 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 COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

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 remain seated. The choir sings*

## ANTHEM

Chant Ad cenam agni providi

*Choir:*

*Ad cenam Agni providi,  
stolis salutis candidi,  
post transitum maris rubri,  
Christo canamus principi.*

*Prepared for the Lamb's banquet,  
clothed in radiant robes,  
having crossed the Red Sea,  
we sing to Christ.*

*Organ:*

*Cuius corpus sanctissimum  
in ara crucis torridum,  
sed et cruorem roseum  
gustando, Deo vivimus.*

*Tasting his most holy body  
and red blood  
on the torrid altar of the cross,  
we live for God.*

*Choir:*

*Protecti paschæ vespero  
a devastante angelo,  
de Pharaonis aspero  
sumus erepti imperio.*

*Protected on Passover evening  
from the angel of death,  
we are freed  
from Pharaoh's harsh rule.*

*Organ:*

*Iam pascha nostrum Christus est,  
agnus occisus innocens;  
sinceritatis azyma  
qui carnem suam obtulit.*

*Christ has now become our Passover,  
the innocent lamb who was slain,  
the unleavened bread of purity  
the priest who offers his own flesh.*

Choir:

O veram digna hostia,  
per quam franguntur tartara,  
captiva plebs redimitur,  
redduntur vitæ præmia!

O true and worthy victim  
by whom the underworld is shattered,  
a captive people redeemed,  
the prizes of life regained!

Organ:

Consurgit Christus tumulo,  
victor redit de barathro,  
tyrannum trudens vinculo  
et paradisum reserans.

Christ breaks out of the tomb,  
the conqueror returns from the abyss,  
driving the tyrant chained before him  
and rising up to paradise.

Choir:

Esto perenne mentibus  
paschale, lesu, gaudium  
et nos renatos gratiæ  
tuis triumphis aggrega

O Jesus, gladden us  
with perennial Paschal joy,  
and join us, reborn of grace,  
to your triumph.

Organ:

lesu, tibi sit gloria,  
qui morte victa prænitens,  
cum Patre et almo Spiritu,  
in sempiterna sæcula. Amen.

Glory to you, O Jesus,  
who with the Father and the blessed Spirit,  
outshine conquered death  
from age to age. Amen.

*Please kneel or remain seated*

## THE PRAYERS

*Please stand to sing the Hymn.*

### **HYMN 796 – THE LORD IS KING! LIFT UP THY VOICE (CHURCH TRIUMPHANT)**

*During this hymn a cash collection is taken to support the costs of the Cathedral. Many choose to make regular donations electronically or by using envelopes. Complete a Planned Giving form to become a regular and faithful financial supporter of the ministry of the Cathedral. For online or electronic donations, please refer to the details below the Blessing.*

*Please sit*

## SERMON

The Rev'd Ben Falcon

*Please stand to sing the hymn*

### **HYMN 769 – REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING (GOPSAL)**

*Remain standing*



## THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

*Please remain standing as the choir and clergy depart.  
After this, you are invited to sit to listen to the organ postlude.*

## POSTLUDE

*Improvisation on Ad cenam agni providi*

**Thank you for worshipping  
with us today.**

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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 5 June.
- The Sunday 8 am community have tea and coffee after the first Sunday of each month. The next gathering will take place on Sunday 2 June.
- After the 10:30 am Eucharist, there is tea and coffee provided every week.

**Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold** (7 pm on 1079Life). Lynn's guest this week will be a replay of an interview with Dr Paul Scott from 2023. They talk about 'Cathedrals and other loves such as faith and mathematics'.

**Tap-n-go handsets** for use during the Collection have been available at Evensong since October last year. Familiarity with the technology has increased and they are being regularly used without difficulty. This month they are being introduced at the 10:30 am Choral Eucharist with two tap-n-go collection plates used in addition to the existing collection bags. It is not intended to introduce the handsets at the 8 am Eucharist at this point.

**St Peter's Cathedral and St Barnabas College Reading Group.** As part of the Cathedral's education programs there will be a monthly reading group to reflect on the book *Creation and the Cross: The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril* by the Catholic feminist theologian Elizabeth Johnson CSJ. The book is written as a conversation between Johnson and her student Clara. The group will meet at St Barnabas' College from 2 – 3.30 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from May to October. For more information contact Jenny Wilson ([jwilson@stpeters-cathedral.org.au](mailto:jwilson@stpeters-cathedral.org.au)) or Caralyn Lammas ([educationprograms@sbc.edu.au](mailto:educationprograms@sbc.edu.au)).

**The World Community for Christian Meditation South Australia** invites you to a Silent Retreat Day - "Standing at the Crossroads: Benedictine Wisdom for Everyday Life" on 11 May from 11am – 4pm. The Rev'd Gary Stuckey, a Uniting Church minister and a great friend of WCCM South Australia will lead the day exploring the Benedictine promises of stability, *conversatio morum* and obedience for our lives today. The venue - not the usual one - will be St Saviour's Church Hall, 596 Portrush Road, Glen Osmond. Please bring your own lunch (not for sharing) & your own cup. Tea and coffee supplied. Suggested Donation \$15 Contact: [chr.med.southaust@gmail.com](mailto:chr.med.southaust@gmail.com) for more information and registration.

**Choral Eucharist for Ascension Day** - Please join us for a Choral Eucharist for Ascension Day this Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May at 6:00pm.

# FOR YOUR PRAYERS

## For the Church

**International** Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil Primate Archbishop Marinez Rosa  
Dos Santos Bassotto

**National** Bathurst: Bishop Mark Calder (Susan)

## South Australia

*Diocese of Adelaide* Broadview-Enfield: Santhosh Kumar (Sheeba)

*Diocese of Willochra* Balaklava, Bungaree and Clare: Andrew Lang (Louise), Flo Walters,  
Roy Todd (Georgina)

*Diocese of The Murray* Director of Formation: Rodney Fopp

## For the People

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

**Short Term Prayer:** John Roe, Joan Claring-Bould, Garry Weatherill.

**Long Term Prayer:** Francis Brooks, Max Lennard, Chris, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith  
Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, 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, Edna Allison, Jane Mitchell, Audrey Ball.

## Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

5th Jessie Mary Martin, Josephine Elizabeth Williams

6th John Harold Madden, Eric Philpott, Anne Seymour Kidman

7th Percy McDonald Smith, George Charles Bennett, Victor Nitchingham,  
William David Hair McCall

8th Dean Walter Berry, Laurel Rutter, Milbrow Lewis, Marjorie Jean McEwin Dibben,  
Miriam Elizabeth Walter

10th Hilda Large

11th William Francis Maitland, Thomas Edward Jones, Alison Andrew

*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](mailto:langshawstuart@gmail.com)*

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and these funds will be used on projects  
to benefit the Cathedral



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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.

MON 6 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	9:15 am	Morning Prayer (St Barnabas' College)
	10:30 am - 1 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
TUES 7 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
WED 8 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10 am	Eucharist (BCP) (Nave)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
THURS 9 MAY ASCENSION DAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
	6:00pm	Ascension Day Choral Eucharist
FRI 10 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
SAT 11 MAY	11:30 – 1 pm	History Festival Tour with Organ
SUN 12 MAY THE 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	8 am	Eucharist (BCP)
	10:30 am	Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO
	6 pm	Choral Evensong Preacher – The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod

## CATHEDRAL STAFF

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