



Celebrating the Season of Creation

CHORAL EVENSONG

THE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

15 SEPTEMBER 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 Kaurua 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.

At Choral Evensong this week we continue to look more closely at the Book Esther. These more obscure books of the bible are not read by many of us, and they rarely turn up in the Sunday readings when most of us gather. So, we can miss some of the great insights that they bring. In this Sunday night's reading the stage is being set for the tensions between Mordecai and the villain of the piece, Haman. However, before that occurs, Mordecai thwarts a plot to assassinate King Ahasuerus. The shrewdness of Mordecai comes into play and while God is not mentioned in the book, the assumption we make is that God is quietly guiding the hand of Mordecai. God is not always obvious in our lives but if we live by faith, we see God's hand at work even in the trials of life. God who is not mentioned does not mean God is not there.

The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod
Dean

Officiant: The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod
Preacher: The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod
Readers: Gerald Varley, Michele de Courcy

Choir: St Peter's Cathedral Choir
Conductor: Anthony Hunt
Organist: Andrew Georg
Hymns: 281, 663

Please stand as the clergy and choir enter.

The choir sings

THE PRECES

Andrew Millington (b.1952)

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 116

Chant: John Goss (1800-1880)

I am well pleased:
that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;
That he hath inclined his ear unto me:
therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
The snares of death compassed me round about:
and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.
I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord:
O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
Gracious is the Lord, and righteous:
yea, our God is merciful.
The Lord preserveth the simple:
I was in misery, and he helped me.
Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul:
for the Lord hath rewarded thee.
And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death:
mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
I will walk before the Lord:
in the land of the living.
I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled:
I said in my haste, All men are liars.
What reward shall I give unto the Lord:
for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?
I will receive the cup of salvation:
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people:
right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.
Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant:
I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

*I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving:
and will call upon the Name of the Lord.*

*I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people:
in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.*

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

FIRST LESSON

ESTHER 2.18-3.6

The lesson from the Book of Esther, chapter 2, beginning at verse 18.

Then the king gave a great banquet to all his officials and ministers—‘Esther’s banquet.’ He also granted a holiday to the provinces, and gave gifts with royal liberality.

When the virgins were being gathered together, Mordecai was sitting at the king’s gate. Now Esther had not revealed her kindred or her people, as Mordecai had charged her; for Esther obeyed Mordecai just as when she was brought up by him. In those days, while Mordecai was sitting at the king’s gate, Bigthan and Teresh, two of the king’s eunuchs, who guarded the threshold, became angry and conspired to assassinate King Ahasuerus. But the matter came to the knowledge of Mordecai, and he told it to Queen Esther, and Esther told the king in the name of Mordecai. When the affair was investigated and found to be so, both the men were hanged on the gallows. It was recorded in the book of the annals in the presence of the king.

After these things King Ahasuerus promoted Haman son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him and set his seat above all the officials who were with him. And all the king’s servants who were at the king’s gate bowed down and did obeisance to Haman; for the king had so commanded concerning him. But Mordecai did not bow down or do obeisance. Then the king’s servants who were at the king’s gate said to Mordecai, ‘Why do you disobey the king’s command?’ When they spoke to him day after day and he would not listen to them, they told Haman, in order to see whether Mordecai’s words would avail; for he had told them that he was a Jew. When Haman saw that Mordecai did not bow down or do obeisance to him, Haman was infuriated. But he thought it beneath him to lay hands on Mordecai alone. So, having been told who Mordecai’s people were, Haman plotted to destroy all the Jews, the people of Mordecai, throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus.

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand.

The choir sings

MAGNIFICAT

Roland Martin (b.1955) *St Paul's Buffalo Service*

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

MARK 9.2-13

The lesson from the Gospel according to Mark, chapter 9, beginning at verse 2.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean. Then they asked him, 'Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?' He said to them, 'Elijah is indeed coming first to restore all things. How then is it written about the Son of Man, that he is to go through many sufferings and be treated with contempt? But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written about him.'

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand.

The choir sings

NUNC DIMITTIS

Martin St Paul's Buffalo Service

*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

Millington

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.*

O Lord, save the King.

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.

COLLECTS

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; 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 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

Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995) *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace*

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee,

The darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day:

The darkness and the light to Thee are both alike.

God is light and with Him is no darkness at all.

Oh let my soul live and it shall praise Thee.

For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for evermore.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee.

Please kneel or remain seated

THE PRAYERS

Please stand to sing the Hymn.

HYMN 281 – 'TIS GOOD LORD TO BE HERE (CARLISLE)

Please sit

SERMON

The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod

Please stand to sing the hymn

HYMN 663 – HOW SHALL I SING THAT MAJESTY (COE FEN)

During this hymn a collection is taken to support the work of the Cathedral. On-line giving options are available. Many choose to make regular donations electronically or by using envelopes. If you wish to become a regular and faithful financial supporter of the ministry of the Cathedral, please complete a Planned Giving form. For online or electronic donations, please refer to the details in the back of this service booklet.

Please remain standing

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 amongst 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

Philip Moore (b.1943) Paeon

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

*The life and work of this Cathedral
is made possible through the
generosity of individuals like you.*



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Your gift helps us to maintain this iconic building for all people to enjoy, to continue a strong music and liturgy tradition, and to support the mission of the Church. You can donate in these ways:

- ◆ Envelopes and/or cash in the Collection plates or the Donation Boxes around the Cathedral.
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- ◆ Use the Tap & Go machine to make an instant donation.
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NOTICES

Tea/coffee after services

- The Sunday 8 am community offers tea and coffee after the Eucharist on the first Sunday of each month. The next gathering will take place Sunday 6 October.
- The Wednesday 10 am community offers tea and coffee after the Eucharist on the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place Wednesday 2 October.
- After the 10:30 am Choral Eucharist, tea and coffee is offered every week.

The Open Door – Wednesday 18 September at 6pm

Church with a difference. We invite you to join us for an informal dinner gathering in the Cynthia Poulton Hall. It is a safe and honest space to explore the Christian faith, life, and meaning, offering mutual prayer, support and friendship. RSVP Susan McLeod 0428 838 139 snrchaplain@adelaideanglicans.com

AV Upgrade

The AV upgrade continues apace. The initial laying of ‘lower level’ cables has been completed, with high level cabling to follow in the coming weeks. During the week, Cathedral Council approved a minor variation to the scope of works to replace the remaining legacy items in the existing system with digital equipment, all able to be operated from a touch screen, as well as providing a power management system for the many individual items. There have been and will continue to be some restrictions on weekday parking in the coming weeks, and thanks to everyone for their patience. Thank you to everyone who has, and continues to, contribute to this project which will greatly improve our audio and livestreaming capabilities.

Season of Creation

Throughout September, St. Peters Cathedral will be celebrating the Season of Creation. The Sunday liturgies throughout the month will focus on creation, as will the *Meeting God on Monday* group, which meets in the Cynthia Poulton Hall tomorrow, Monday 16 September, at 10 am.

The Flower Guild has produced a 2025 calendar entitled “For the Love of Flowers”. Well known artist, John Hamilton, has worked with the Flower Guild to create the calendar. He has also created a series of paintings inspired by the project. These paintings are on display in the Cathedral during September and are available for purchase. Each Friday in September, beginning at 11 am, a member of the Flower Guild will be arranging flowers, while John will showcase his painting methods. Refreshments will be provided.

The celebrations will continue until Sunday 29 September when we give thanks for and bless our pets.

Christianity Explained

A series of six conversations on the fundamentals of the Christian faith will be offered on Sundays beginning on 6 October at 12:30 pm in the Cynthia Poulton Hall. Each session will be introduced with a short talk, with plenty of time for discussion. You **don’t** need to know about the Bible. You **won’t** be asked to read, pray, or answer questions. You **will** be given a chance to discuss. There is a sign-up sheet on the table near the West Door. Inquiries can be directed to Sandy Mitchell.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International

The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Primate: Archbishop Henry Ndukuba

National

Melbourne: Archbishop Philip Freier (Joy)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide

Ingle Farm & Para Hills: Joseph Chung (Virginia)

Diocese of Willochra

Leigh Creek (Blinman, Hawker): vacant, Hawker: Arthur Tanner (Jane), Blinman: David Amery (Coralie)

Diocese of The Murray

The Southern Suburbs (Aberfoyle Park, Christies Beach, Morphett Vale, O'Halloran Hill): Andrew Forder (Debra), Carol Cornwall (John), Deacon Rory Westgarth

For the People

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

Short Term Prayer: Bruce Williams, Gerald Varley, Fay Ballard, Ben Oborn, Bill Ashman, Lorne Klassen, Micheal Fox, Francis Brooks.

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

Those who have died recently, especially Alison Lockett.

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

15th Edwin Gilbert "Joe" Fulwood

Colin George Bridgman

16th Geoffrey Francis Fisher

Gilbert Wilson

Ailsa Pfitzner

William Arthur Curran

May Elsie Neale

17th Harold Woolnough

Arthur James Kendall Baker

William Pitcher

Luke Taylor

18th Jean Maxwell-Wright

19th James Thacker

20th John William Clark

Bill Schroder

21st Sydney Rayner

Colin Phillips

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

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2024
SPECIAL EVENT



INTERSTELLAR 10

Journey to the stars with international organist Roger Sayer and music from the hit film "Interstellar" in its tenth anniversary year.

This major organ score was written by Hans Zimmer and co-developed and played by Sayer, and reached international acclaim, amassing hundreds of millions of listens online.

The program, for science-fiction and music lovers alike, performed on the finest organ in Adelaide, will include other space and film-related music, including movements from Holst's *The Planets* and the famous *Also sprach Zarathustra*, featured in *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

TUESDAY
SEPT 17
7:00 PM

\$30 adult
\$20 concession
\$15 under 18

TICKETS:
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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.

MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	9:15 am Morning Prayer (at St Barnabas' College)
	10:30 am - 1 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER	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
WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER	7:00 pm Music Foundation Concert: Interstellar 10
	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER	10 am Eucharist (BCP) (Lady Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER	8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER ST MATTHEW	8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
	Cathedral Closed
SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER THE 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	8 am Eucharist (BCP)
	10:30 am Choral Eucharist
	6 pm Choral Evensong
	Preacher - The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO
	Preacher - The Ven. David McDougall

CATHEDRAL STAFF

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