



**BCP EUCHARIST PROPERS THE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 15 SEPTEMBER 2024** 8 дм

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral. We are delighted to have you worship with us today for this Eucharist from the Book of Common Prayer. The order of service is in the separate booklet.

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.

At Choral Evensong this evening we continue to look more closely at the Book Esther. Do come along to hear something a little different on a book of the bible you may not be familiar with. 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 tonight'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.

Blessings,

The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod Dean

> **Officiant:** The Reverend Dr Lynn Arnold AO **Preacher:** The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod **Readers:** Don Morris, David Docwra

## 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.** 

# FIRST READING

PROVERBS 1.20-33

A reading from the Book of Proverbs. Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.' Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

# PSALM 19

#### Please respond with the words in bold

The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;

#### One day tells it to another:

#### and night to night communicates knowledge.

There is no speech or language: nor are their voices heard;

Yet their sound has gone out through all the world: and their words to the ends of the earth.

There he has pitched a tent for the sun: which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.

Its rising is at one end of the heavens, and its circuit to their farthest bound: and nothing is hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul: the command of the Lord is true, and makes wise the simple.

#### The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever: the judgements of the Lord are unchanging, and righteous every one.

#### More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold:

#### sweeter also than honey, than the honey that drips from the comb.

Moreover, by them is your servant taught: and in keeping them there is great reward.

#### Who can know their own unwitting sins?:

#### O cleanse me from my secret faults.

Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins,

lest they get the mastery over me:

so I shall be clean, and innocent of great offence.

#### May the words of my mouth and the meditation

of my heart be acceptable in your sight:

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of James.

But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith. You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder. Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith without works is barren? Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness', and he was called the friend of God. You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. Likewise, was not Rahab the prostitute also justified by works when she welcomed the messengers and sent them out by another road? For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL READING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

The Holy Gospel is written in the 8th Chapter of the Gospel according to Mark, beginning at verse 27.

#### Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

MARK 8.27-38

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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 <u>snrchaplain@adelaideanglicans.com</u>

#### 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:

l 5th	Edwin Gilbert "Joe" Fulwood	
	Colin George Bridgman	
l6th	Geoffrey Francis Fisher	
	Gilbert Wilson	
	Ailsa Pfitzner	
	William <u>Arthur</u> Curran	
	May Elsie Neale	

- 18th Jean Maxwell-Wright
  19th James Thacker
  20th John William Clark Bill Schroder
  21st Sydney Rayner Colin Phillips
- 17th Harold Woolnough Arthur James Kendall Baker William Pitcher Luke Taylor

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 - <u>langshawstuart@gmail.com</u>

# 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.

	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
Monday 16 September	9:15 am Morning Prayer (at St Barnabas' College)
	10:30 am - 1 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
Tuesday 17 September	8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pmOpen for visiting and private prayer
	7:00 pm Music Foundation Concert: Interstellar 10
	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
Wednesday 18 September	8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
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	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
Thursday 19 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)
Friday 20 September	8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
Saturday 21 September St Matthew	Cathedral Closed
JINATHEW	8 am Eucharist (BCP)
Sunday 22 September	10:30 am Choral Eucharist
THE 18TH SUNDAY	Preacher - The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO
AFTER PENTECOST	6 pm Choral Evensong
	Preacher – The Ven. David McDougall

## **CATHEDRAL STAFF**

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