

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.

This morning's Gospel reading is the well known 'Widow's Mite'. It speaks of the poor woman who generously gives all that she has into the Temple Treasury. This story has traditionally been used to encourage people to use the widow as an example and be generous. However, recent commentators on this text point out that alongside the commendation of the widow there is also condemnation of the scribes and the Temple system that oppressed the poor. The people who Jesus particularly embraced. The juxtaposition between the two, the wealthy scribes and the poor widow, challenges the church to consider how we might be an imposition upon those who can least afford it. As we move towards Christmas it is timely to consider how those of us who are rich might relieve the difficulties of the poor and take the widow as an example and be generous in both faith and giving.

Blessings

The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod

Celebrant: The Rev'd Dr Susan Straub
Preacher: The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod
Readers: Ros Clarke, Ian Clarke

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

RUTH 3.1-5, 4.3-17

A reading from the Book of Ruth.

Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, 'My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing-floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing-floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.' She said to her, 'All that you tell me I will do.'

He then said to the next-of-kin, 'Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, is selling the parcel of land that belonged to our kinsman Elimelech. So I thought I would tell you of it, and say: Buy it in the presence of those sitting here, and in the presence of the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it; but if you will not, tell me, so that I may know; for there is no one prior to you to redeem it, and I come after you.' So he said, 'I will redeem it.' Then Boaz said, 'The day you acquire the field from the hand of Naomi, you are also acquiring Ruth the Moabite, the widow of the dead man, to maintain the dead man's name on his inheritance.' At this, the next-of-kin said, 'I cannot redeem it for myself without damaging my own inheritance. Take my right of redemption yourself, for I cannot redeem it.'

Now this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning redeeming and exchanging: to confirm a transaction, one party took off a sandal and gave it to the other; this was the manner of attesting in Israel. So when the next-of-kin said to Boaz, 'Acquire it for yourself', he took off his sandal. Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, 'Today you are witnesses that I have acquired from the hand of Naomi all that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and Mahlon. I have also acquired Ruth the Moabite, the wife of Mahlon, to be my wife, to maintain the dead man's name on his inheritance, in order that the name of the dead may not be cut off from his kindred and from the gate of his native place; today you are witnesses.' Then all the people who were at the gate, along with the elders, said, 'We are witnesses. May the Lord make the woman who is coming into your house like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel. May you produce children in Ephrathah and bestow a name in Bethlehem; and, through the children that the Lord will give you by this young woman, may your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah.'

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, 'Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.' Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighbourhood

gave him a name, saying, 'A son has been born to Naomi.' They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 127

Please respond with the words in bold

*Unless the Lord builds the house:
their labour is but lost that build it.*

**Unless the Lord keeps the city:
the watchmen watch in vain.**

*It is in vain that you rise up early and go so late to rest,
eating the bread of toil:
for the Lord bestows honour—and on those whom he loves.*

**Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord:
and the fruit of the womb is his gift.**

*Like arrows in the hand of a warrior:
are the children of one's youth.*

**Happy the man who has his quiver full of them:
he will not be put to shame
when he confronts his enemies at the gate.**

SECOND READING

HEBREWS 9.19-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

For when every commandment had been told to all the people by Moses in accordance with the law, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the scroll itself and all the people, saying, 'This is the blood of the covenant that God has ordained for you.' And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

Thus it was necessary for the sketches of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves need better sacrifices than these. For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

MARK 12.38-44

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the 12th Chapter of the Gospel according to Mark, beginning at verse 38.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

As he taught, Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the market-places, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honour at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.'

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

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generosity of individuals like you.*



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NOTICES

Tea/coffee after worship

- 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 on Sunday 1 December.
- The Wednesday 10 am community offers tea and coffee after the Eucharist on the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 4 December.
- After the 10:30 am Choral Eucharist, tea and coffee is offered every week.

Canon Jenny's new book *Preaching for the Planet* will be launched at Evensong today by the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia. A reception and book signing will follow in the Cynthia Poulton Hall. Also at Evensong we will install two new members of the Cathedral Chapter.

Veterans Mental Health Fundraiser: On **Sunday 17 November at 2pm** we will be hosting a fundraising concert for mental health services for veterans. The concert will feature the Adelaide Benefit Concert Choir, the 10th/27th Battalion Royal South Australian Regiment Band and guest vocalist Libby O'Donovan. Contact Joan Claring-Bould 0409 520 823.

Meeting God on Mondays: On **Monday 18th November at 10am** in the CP Hall, the Monday Study Group will meet for a Reflection in preparation for Advent. All are welcome.

AnglicareSA Christmas Hamper and Toy Drive. Throughout November we will be collecting donations of food and toys for the annual AnglicareSA Christmas Hamper drive. Contributions can be left at the back of the Cathedral or taken directly to the Cathedral Office. Donations of cash are also welcome for the purchase of items. Inquiries can be directed to Julie Doherty.

We are delighted to announce the appointment of **the Rev'd Margaret Peel-Shakespeare** as Assistant Priest at the Cathedral **from Sunday 1 December**. Margaret was ordained in the Episcopal Church (USA) and recently relocated to Adelaide to take up the part time position of Director of Formation. She will combine this work with a further part-time appointment at the Cathedral. The Rev'd Dr Susan Straub, who has been filling the Assistant Priest role since January, will be with us to the end of January 2025.

Friends of the Cathedral Jolly Jaunt. Last Saturday 18 members of the Cathedral went on a 'Jolly Jaunt' to St Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church at Wayville and to the Coptic Orthodox Church at Cowandilla. It was interesting to see, to experience, and to learn about the customs and liturgies of Christians of another tradition. The Russian Church was beautifully painted with icons. Receiving Holy Communion in that church takes a lot of personal preparation. Lunch was welcome! The Coptic Church was not as spectacularly decorated, but the museum and gallery behind it was a totally fascinating introduction to Coptic history and beliefs. We were at each church for 1½ hours. Many thanks to Olga at the Russian Church, and to Father Bishop, Krolos and Jonathon at the Coptic Church for their time, knowledge and hospitality.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International

The Church of South India (United)
Moderator Archbishop Dharmaraj Rasalam

National

Bishop to the Armed Forces: Bishop Grant Dibden (Jeanette)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide

Pulteney Grammar School: principal Greg Atterton, chaplain Paul Harris

Diocese of Willochra

Coober Pedy: Dave Wood (Margie)

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:

Short Term Prayer: Bruce Williams, Bill Ashman, Francis Brooks, Dawn Falland, Ruth, Pema.

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, Norton & Judy Schenscher, John Hankin, Brooke Garry, David, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Sarah Boorman, Edna Allison, Jane Mitchell, Audrey Ball, Garry Weatherill, Helen Scotcher, Fay Ballard, Joseph Burgess (WCH).

Those who have died recently.

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

11th Lionel Edward William Renfrey

13th Ethel Loxton

Henry Simpson Newland

Alison Grace Gent

Andrew Michael Bamford

Hugh Rowlands Gough

14th Margaret Hopton

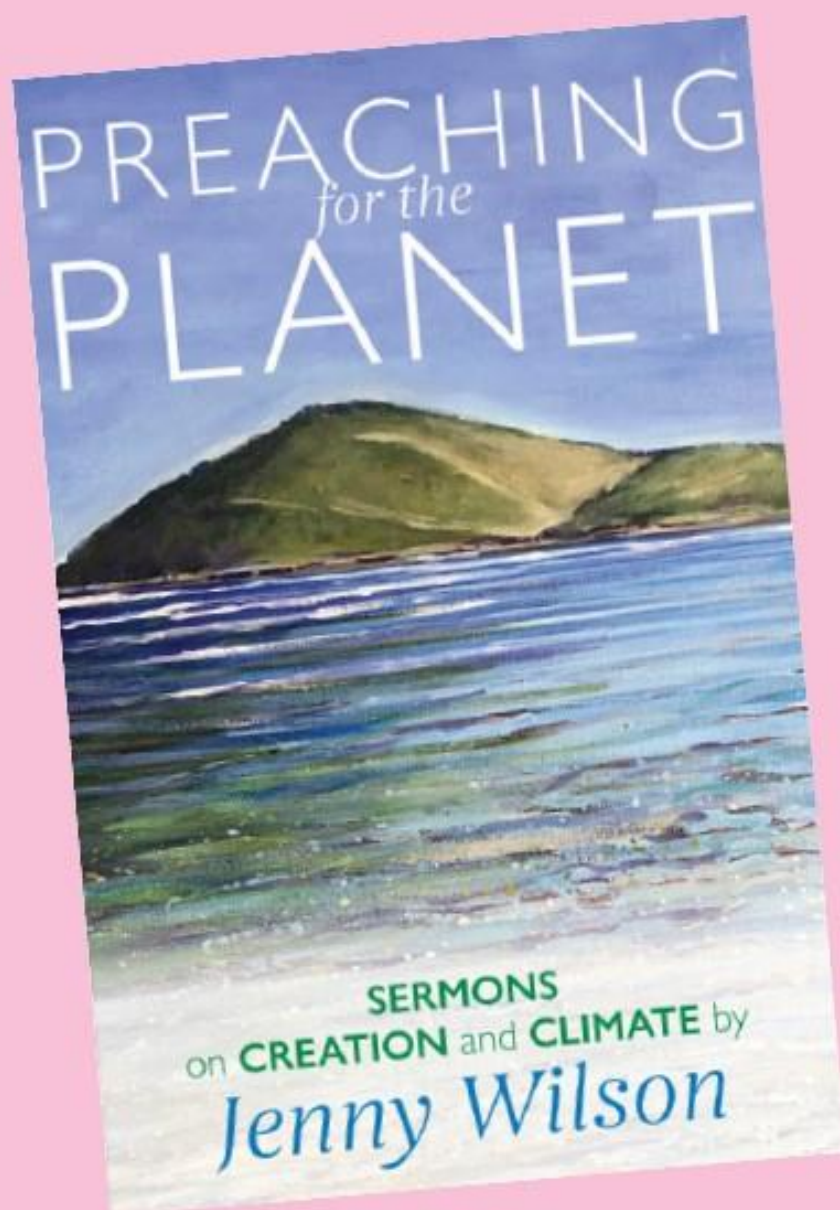
15th John Percival McDonald Smith

16th James Dawson Bell

You are invited to the launch of
PREACHING *for the* **PLANET**

by The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson at
Choral Evensong on Sunday,
November 10th at 6:00pm.

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC,
Governor of South Australia
will launch Jenny's book.



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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 11 NOVEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (at St Barnabas College) 10:30 am - 1 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER	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 13 NOVEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10 am Eucharist (BCP) (Lady Chapel) 10:30 am – 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER	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
FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30 am – 1pm Open for visiting and private prayer
SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER	Closed
SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER PENTECOST 26	8 am Eucharist (BCP) 10:30 am Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson 2 pm Benefit Concert <i>In Remembrance and Hope</i> 6 pm Choral Evensong 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
Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Dr Lynn Arnold AO
Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Joan Claring-Bould
Honorary Assistant Deacon	The Reverend Ben Falcon
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Director of Music	Anthony Hunt
Cathedral Organist	Andrew Georg
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