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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 clergy and choir lead this service, allow the words and music 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.

This evening we have a reading from the weird and wonderful book of the Revelation to St John (also called 'The Apocalypse'). Much of the Bible is strange to us, coming as it does from a different, time, culture, and language to us, but apocalyptic passages like these can seem especially strange. These apocalyptic passages in scripture are considered to be a particular distinct genre in themselves, sitting alongside the more common scripture genres of narrative, poetry, wisdom texts and so on, which tend to be a little more recognisable to us today.

Apocalyptic writings often arose out of times of acute stress and persecution, and they were designed to be deeply pastoral texts. That sounds odd considering the terrifying imagery contained in some of these passages. But ultimately these writings were intended to stimulate the faithful then (and us now) with a vision of another supernatural world, intruding on our own. This unseen 'otherworld' demonstrates that despite the chaos and pain of the present God is in control, God is protecting the faithful, and God is constantly working to judge and correct all that is going wrong in the world.

May you know the love of God as we worship together this evening, and may you feel strengthened in the conviction that God's love and God's justice will always prevail.

The Rev'd Ben Falcon
Honorary Assistant Deacon

Officiant: The Rev'd Margaret Peel-Shakespeare
Preacher: The Rev'd Ben Falcon
Readers: Christine Beal, Amanda Janssen
Choir: St Peter's Cathedral Choir
Conductor: Anthony Hunt
Organist: Andrew Georg
Hymns: 679, 24

When the clergy and choir enter, please stand.

THE PRECES

Anthony Hunt (b.1981)

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 sit. The choir sings

PSALM 113

Chant: Thomas Attwood Walmisley (1814-1856)

Praise the Lord, ye servants:
O praise the Name of the Lord.
Blessed be the Name of the Lord:
from this time forth for evermore.
The Lord's Name is praised:
from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.
The Lord is high above all heathen:
and his glory above the heavens.
Who is like unto the Lord our God that hath his dwelling so high:
and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?
He taketh up the simple out of the dust:
and lifteth the poor out of the mire;
That he may set him with the princes:
even with the princes of his people.
He maketh the barren woman to keep house:
and to be a joyful mother of children.

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

REVELATION 2:12-29

The lesson from the book of Revelation, chapter 2, beginning at verse 12.

‘To the angel of the church in Pergamum write: These are the words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword:

‘I know where you are living, where Satan’s throne is. Yet you are holding fast to my name, and you did not deny your faith in me even in the days of Antipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan lives. But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling-block before the people of Israel, so that they would eat food sacrificed to idols and practise fornication. So you also have some who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. Repent then. If not, I will come to you soon and make war against them with the sword of my mouth. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. To everyone who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give a white stone, and on the white stone is written a new name that no one knows except the one who receives it.

‘And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These are the words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze:

‘I know your works—your love, faith, service, and patient endurance. I know that your last works are greater than the first. But I have this against you: you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophet and is teaching and beguiling my servants to practise fornication and to eat food sacrificed to idols. I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her fornication. Beware, I am throwing her on a bed, and those who commit adultery with her I am throwing into great distress, unless they repent of her doings; and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am the one who searches minds and hearts, and I will give to each of you as your works deserve. But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not learned what some call “the deep things of Satan”, to you I say, I do not lay on you any other burden; only hold fast to what you have until I come. To everyone who conquers and continues to do my works to the end,

I will give authority over the nations;
to rule them with an iron rod,
as when clay pots are shattered—

even as I also received authority from my Father. To the one who conquers I will also give the morning star. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand. The choir sings

MAGNIFICAT

Herbert Brewer (1865-1928) in D

*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

THE SECOND LESSON

ACTS 10.1-7, 23-28

The lesson from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 10, beginning at verse 1.

In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Cohort, as it was called. He was a devout man who feared God with all his household; he gave alms generously to the people and prayed constantly to God. One afternoon at about three o'clock he had a vision in which he clearly saw an angel of God coming in and saying to him, 'Cornelius.' He stared at him in terror and said, 'What is it, Lord?' He answered, 'Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. Now send men to Joppa for a certain Simon who is called Peter; he is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the seaside.' When the angel who spoke to him had left, he called two of his slaves and a devout soldier from the ranks of those who served him,

So Peter invited them in and gave them lodging.

The next day he got up and went with them, and some of the believers from Joppa accompanied him. The following day they came to Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends. On Peter's arrival Cornelius met him, and falling at his feet, worshipped him. But Peter made him get up, saying, 'Stand up; I am only a mortal.' And as he talked with him, he went in and found that many had assembled; and he said to them, 'You yourselves know that it is unlawful for a Jew to associate with or to visit a Gentile; but God has shown me that I should not call anyone profane or unclean.

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand. The choir sings

NUNC DIMITTIS

Brewer in D

*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

Anthony Hunt

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.*

*O 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

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to 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

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924) *The Lord is my Shepherd*

The Lord is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture, and shall lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul, and shall bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

For thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me.

Thou anointest my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving kindness and thy mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Please kneel or remain seated.

THE PRAYERS

Please stand to sing the Hymn.

During this hymn a collection is taken to support the costs of the Cathedral. This may be in cash or by Tap-to-Pay. 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 above the notices.

HYMN 679 – IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST (KILMARNOCK)

Please sit

SERMON

The Rev'd Ben Falcon

Please stand to sing the hymn

HYMN 24 – THE DAY THOU GAVEST (ST CLEMENT)

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

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924) 6 Short Preludes & Postludes, Op. 101: No. 1, Allegretto

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NOTICES

Tea/coffee after worship: 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 4 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 1 June.
- After the 10.30 am Eucharist, there is tea and coffee provided every week.

Meeting God on Mondays

On Monday May 19th at 10am in the CP Hall, Rev'd Margaret Peel-Shakespeare and Rosie Hamilton will lead a discussion of the final chapter of *An Altar in the World*, by Barbara Brown Taylor, entitled "The Practice of Pronouncing Blessings". All are welcome.

Cathedral Carpark

Cathedral Council has agreed to the policy of not reserving carpark spaces for attendees on Sundays and other service or concert times. The designated carpark spaces for the clergy (24/7) and business (during business hours) will remain reserved. Spaces will be reserved for the Archbishop and guests as needed. If you wish to have a carpark on Sundays or at other times, please arrive early.

Retreat

Gawler Anglicans Parish is offering six places for anyone who would like to join their retreat at Sevenhill Retreat Centre, Clare. 29th July – 1st August 2025. Cost is \$435. If you are keen to attend, please contact The Rev'd Jack Monaghan on 0460309172 or via email curate@gawleranglicans.org

Sri Lankan Lunch

After the great success of last year's lunch, we are pleased to announce that the community will be hosting another lunch on **Sunday 25 May**, following the Choral Eucharist. A delicious menu has been prepared. There is no charge for the meal, although a donation of \$5 would be appreciated. If you would like to attend, please use the sign-up sheet at the back of the Cathedral, this will help ensure there is enough delicious curry for everyone.

E-news

There was a delay in some receiving the e-newsletter last week. It appears this was due to technical work carried out on our server. The issue is now resolved.

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Diocese of The Murray

The Murraylands (Meningie, Murray Bridge, Tailem Bend): Daniel Irvine (Jasmine), Ian Jansse (Eva)

For the People

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

Short Term Prayer: Charlie Denton, Helen, Vincent, Chris Ballard, Shari English.

Long Term Prayer: Bill Ashman, Max Lennard, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Helena Fernandez, Norton & Judy Schenscher, John Hankin, Brooke Garry, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Garry Weatherill, Helen Scotcher, Fay Ballard, Joseph Burgess (WCH).

Those who have died recently.

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

11th William Francis Maitland

Thomas Edward Jones

Alison Andrew

James Terence Oldfield

13th Derek Spencer

15th Penelope White

John Meagher

Delores (Del) Heather Daniels

17th John David Swale

*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*

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 12 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	10:30 am - 1 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
TUESDAY 13 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
WEDNESDAY 14 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10 am	Eucharist (BCP) (Lady Chapel)
	10:30 am - 1 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
THURSDAY 15 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
FRIDAY 16 MAY	7:30 am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45 am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30 am - 1 pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
SATURDAY 17 MAY		Cathedral Closed
SUNDAY 18 MAY	8 am	Eucharist (BCP)
	10:30 am	Choral Eucharist
		Preacher – The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO
	6 pm	Choral Evensong
		Preacher – The Rev'd Margaret Peel-Shakespeare

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