

CHORAL EUCHARIST

10:30am 10 May 2020

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



St Peter's Cathedral strives to be a Christ-centred, sacramental, inclusive, thinking, mission-oriented, faith community.

The Cathedral resides on the lands of the Kaurna people whom we acknowledge as the original custodians of the Adelaide Region.

St Peter's
nurturing spirit and mind
CATHEDRAL

When the handbell rings, please stand to sing the Introit Hymn

[Listen to the Hymn online here](#) – feel free to sing along:

Hymn: #748 [Wolvercote]

O Jesus, I have promised

1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.
2. O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.
3. O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.
4. O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.
5. O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.

Blessed be God, Father Son and Holy Spirit

Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever

Christ is risen. Alleluia! **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life,' says the Lord. 'No one comes to the Father except through me.'

John 14:6

Please kneel/sit

Let us pray

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Choir sings the Kyrie

Kyrie eleison
Lord, have mercy

Christe eleison
Christ, have mercy

Kyrie eleison
Lord, have mercy

Christ our Passover has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Choir sings the Gloria (A Prayer Book for Australia words)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please sit for the first reading: Acts 7:55-60

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

The Choir sings Psalm 31:1-5, 17-18

[Listen to Cathedral Choristers sing the Psalm chant](#)

To you, Lord, have I come for shelter:

let me never be put to shame.

O deliver me in your righteousness:

incline your ear to me and be swift to save me.

Be for me a rock of refuge, a fortress to defend me:

for you are my high rock and my stronghold.

Lead me and guide me for your name's sake:

bring me out of the net that they have secretly laid for me,

for you are my strength.

Into your hands I commit my spirit:

you will redeem me, O Lord God of truth.

All my days are in your hand:

O deliver me from the power of my enemies and from my persecutors.

Make your face to shine upon your servant:

and save me for your mercy's sake.

Second reading: 1 Peter 2:11-25

Beloved, I urge you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the desires of the flesh that wage war against the soul. ¹² Conduct yourselves honourably among the Gentiles, so that, though they malign you as evildoers, they may see your honourable deeds and glorify God when he comes to judge.

¹³ For the Lord's sake accept the authority of every human institution, whether of the emperor as supreme, ¹⁴ or of governors, as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right. ¹⁵ For it is God's will that by doing right you should silence the ignorance of the foolish. ¹⁶ As servants of God, live as free people, yet do not use your freedom as a pretext for evil. ¹⁷ Honour everyone. Love the family of believers. Fear God. Honour the emperor.

¹⁸ Slaves, accept the authority of your masters with all deference, not only those who are kind and gentle but also those who are harsh. ¹⁹ For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. ²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. ²² 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' ²³ When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Please stand to sing the Gradual Hymn

[Listen to the Hymn online here](#) - feel free to sing along:

Hymn: #3 [*Christe Sanctorum*]

Father, we praise thee, now the night is over

1. Father, we praise thee,
now the night is over;
active and watchful,
stand we all before thee;
singing we offer
prayer and meditation:
thus we adore thee.
2. Monarch of all things,
fit us for thy mansions;
banish our weakness,
health and wholeness sending;
bring us to heaven,
where thy saints united
joy without ending.
3. All-holy Father,
Son and equal Spirit,
Trinity blessed,
send us thy salvation;
thine is the glory,
gleaming and resounding
through all creation.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:

John 14:1-14

All sing:



Jesus said: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ² In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.' ⁵ Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶ Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' ⁸ Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' ⁹ Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All sing:



[Click here to watch the video - The Rev'd Peter Jin reads the Gospel](#)

Children are invited to follow the Gospel procession down the aisle to the altar where their cross will be collected, then go to the Cynthia Poulton Hall for Cathedral Kids. They will return in time for Communion.

Please sit for the Sermon: The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson

[Click here to watch The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson's video sermon](#)

Featuring physically distanced Cathedral Choristers singing *Come my way*

Come, my way, my truth, my life: such a way, as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife; such a life, as killeth death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength: such a light, as shows a feast;
such a feast, as mends in length; such a strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart: such a joy, as none can move;
such a love, as none can part; such a heart, as joys in love.

George Herbert 1593-1633

[Full sermon text available here](#)

Silence may follow

Please stand for the Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son, is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel/sit for the prayers (written by Andrew Charlton)

Let us pray for the world and for the Church

Almighty God, grant grace and courage to your people around the world to empower them to meet the many difficulties they are experiencing in the current pandemic. Bring reassurance to those who are anxious, health to those who are afflicted, wisdom and strength to those who care for them, eternal rest to the departed, comfort to those who are grieving the loss of those they love and inspiration to those who seek to prevent the spread of the virus and to develop a vaccine.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in this land who are still suffering from the devastating bushfires of recent times. Let them not be forgotten as new challenges are being faced. Grant them strength and perseverance to rebuild their lives. Nurture new life in pastures and bush so that all may be restored. Help all who are caring for the animals that suffered in those fires that they may be returned to their accustomed environment.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for Elizabeth our Queen, The Governor General, our Governor, Scott our Prime Minister, Stephen our Premier and all who lead our nation in government and in opposition. We pray for the members of the National Cabinet and the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee as they guide this nation through the present crisis. We give thanks for the wisdom they have displayed and spirit of cooperation which has been exhibited by members of various political parties and by the community generally to limit the spread of the virus in this country.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the people in our community who are not able to work during this time that they may have faith that in due time they will be able to resume their normal lives. We pray for those who are separated from loved ones especially their mothers and are not able to be with them, for those that are confined in aged care facilities without being able to have visits from their family and for those who are confined to their own homes.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for doctors, nurses and other health workers as they care for people affected by the virus or people with whom they have been in contact. We also give thanks for the generosity of members of the Australian Defence Force, police, ambulance officers, and those maintaining all essential services in our community.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your Church throughout the world. We pray for Geoff our Primate and our Archbishop, and Denise our Assistant Bishop. We give thanks for Frank our Dean, for Jenny, Peter, Lynn and Joan as they lead us during this unusual time.

We give especial thanks for the technology that enables our Cathedral Family and our extended Cathedral Family around the world to join in our online Acts of Worship in these extraordinary times and the skill of the musicians and other members of our family that make it possible.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the lonely and for the homeless in our city, and we pray for all who are sick. God grant them and those who care for them, patience and a firm trust in your healing grace.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the souls of those who have died as a result of this pandemic and those who grieve for them and we give you thanks for the lives and witness of all who have gone before us in the faith of Christ remembering especially Saint Stephen and all the Saints and those whose anniversary of passing occurs at this time.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Please remain standing to sing the Offertory Hymn

[Listen to the organ accompaniment online here](#) – feel free to sing the words for yourself!

Hymn: #665 [Richmond]

I am the Light whose brightness shines

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| 1. I am the Light whose brightness
shines on every pilgrim's way,
and brings to evil's darkest place
the glorious light of day. | 2. I am the Gate that leads to life
along the narrow way,
the Shepherd who will tend my sheep
that none are lost or stray. |
| 3. I am the Well from whose fresh
springs life-giving water flows
and on each side the tree of life
with leaves for healing grows. | 4. I am the Bread, God's gift from heaven,
sent down to satisfy
that hunger which cries out for food;
who eats shall never die. |
| 5. I am the Vine whose branches grow
united in one root;
who dwell in me, and I in them,
shall live and bear much fruit. | 6. I am the Resurrection life,
the power of God whereby
whoever truly trusts in me
shall live and never die. |
| 7. I am the Way, the Truth, the Life,
and truth shall set you free
to seek and find the way to life
and live that life in me. | |

During this hymn a collection is taken to support the costs of the Cathedral.

Message from the Cathedral Wardens

The Cathedral, like so many businesses, clubs and organisations, is facing difficult financial times. Not only is there no 'open plate' collection coming in (boosted by Easter attendances) but there are no visitors to the Cathedral or Cathedral Shop and no bookings of the Cathedral or halls. While some costs are reduced we still have to pay most of our costs, including salaries and stipends for clergy and other staff.

Where possible (and reasonable) we would encourage you to switch to electronic giving using the following if you haven't already done so:

1. *Direct Credit through internet or phone banking (BSB 305-122, Ac No. 0256051 – please include your name as a ref.)*
2. *Direct Debit – let us know and we can mail forms to you. Please email office@stpeters-cathedral.org.au.*

And of course, if you still use them, write a cheque to 'St Peter's Cathedral', and mail it to The Treasurer, 27 King William Road, North Adelaide SA 5006. Planned Giving envelopes may be deposited in the Office mail box ("drive-by drop-box", although as it's so high on the wall you will have to get out of your car!) which is cleared daily.

We'd like to thank our clergy, office and music staff for all they are doing to keep us in touch. God bless everyone, Kevin & Reuben

Please remain standing

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.**

[Click here to watch the video thanksgiving](#)

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour, be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life triumphant, and exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended, a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Sanctus & Benedictus (A Prayer Book for Australia words)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever, Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Come, let us celebrate the feast.
Draw near with faith, to feed on Christ in your hearts with thanksgiving.

Alleluia!

Agnus Dei (A Prayer Book for Australia words)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.

Please kneel/sit for the prayers after Communion

Let us pray

Most glorious Lord of life, we thank you that you nourish us in these Easter mysteries. Fill us with the Spirit of love and unite us in faith, that we may witness to the resurrection. **Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

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 among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Stay in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Please stand to sing the Post-Communion Hymn

[Listen to the organ accompaniment online here](#) – feel free to sing the words for yourself!

Hymn: #768 [St Thomas]

Put thou thy trust in God

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| 1. Put thou thy trust in God,
in duty's path go on;
walk in his strength with faith and hope,
so shall thy work be done. | 2. Commit thy ways to him,
thy works into his hands,
and rest on his unchanging word,
who heaven and earth commands. |
| 3. Though years on years roll on,
his covenant shall endure;
though clouds and darkness hide his
path, the promised grace is sure. | 4. Give to the winds thy fears;
hope, and be undismayed:
God hears thy sighs and counts thy
tears; God shall lift up thy head. |
| 5. Through waves and clouds and storms
his power will clear thy way:
wait thou his time; the darkest night
shall end in brightest day. | 6. Leave to his sovereign sway
to choose and to command;
so shalt thou, wondering, own his
way, how wise, how strong his hand. |

You are invited to listen reflectively to the organ postlude:

Lefébure-Wély (1817-1869) – *Sortie in E-flat*

[Listen to Anthony Hunt play the postlude online here](#)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

A prayer for all affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

International

Anglican Church of Kenya Primate Abp Jackson Ole Sapit

National

Bishop to the Armed Forces: Grant Dibden (Jeanette)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide

Women's and Children's Hospital: Dianne Schaefer (Trevor)

Diocese of Willochra

Ministry District of Eyre (Colton, Cummins, Elliston, Minnipa, Sheringa, Tumby Bay, Wudinna): Brian Bascombe

Diocese of The Murray

Upper Limestone Coast (Kingston - Robe): David Patterson

Immediate Prayer

Mary Kannieappen, Robert Begg

All who are ill at this time (Please help us to keep this list up to date by emailing new requests for prayer, or letting us know when no longer needed)

Those working on the 'front-line' in our health services

Rest in Peace

Steve Curtis

Year's Mind

10th Hilda Large;

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

13th Derek Spencer;

15th Penelope White, John Meagher

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