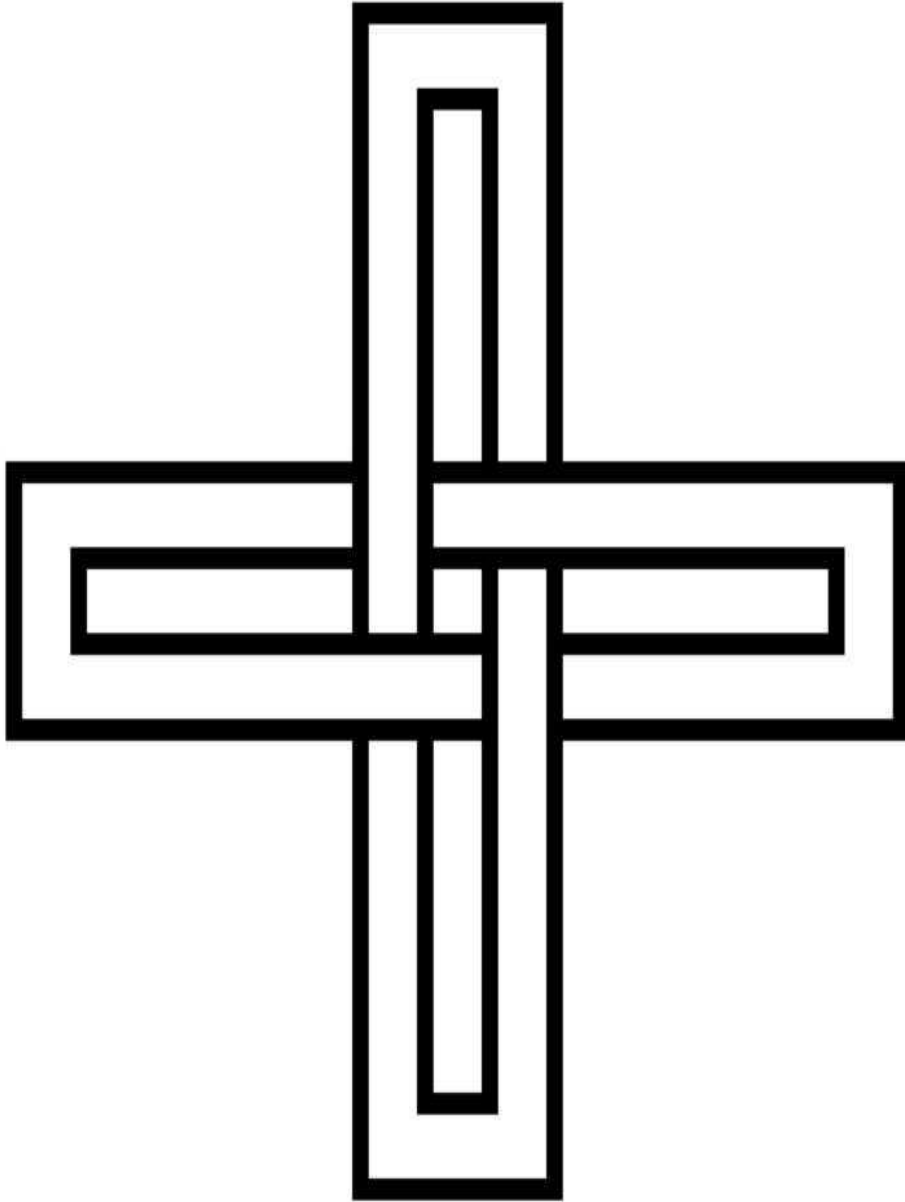


Welcome to
CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA
YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

9.30am

12 July 2026

Setting: Christ Church Service – Dudman



CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA: YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME.

We gather to worship God and explore faith in Jesus, welcoming and celebrating the diverse St Kilda community.

In the next three to five years we aim:

- to grow an energetic and committed worshipping community.
- to provide an open, inclusive and welcoming space for everyone.
- to communicate a vibrant, joyful and loving faith.
- to build connections with the local community.
- to be faithful stewards of Church Square and its buildings.

*Christ Church St Kilda Parish acknowledges the
Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung with deep respect.
We give thanks to God for their Elders, both past and present,
and their continuing relationship to this land.*

THIS WEEK

Monday, Thursday 9.30am Morning Prayer

NB. NO SERVICE ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK

Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

All stand when the entrance bell is rung



**Blessèd Jesus, at your word
we are gathered all to hear you;
let our hearts and minds be stirred
now to seek and love and fear you;
by your gospel pure and holy
teach us, Lord, to love you solely.**

**All our knowledge, sense and sight
lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
till your Spirit breaks our night
with your beams of truth unclouded;
you alone to God can win us,
only you work good within us.**

**Glorious Lord, yourself impart,
light of light from God proceeding;
open lips and ears and heart,
help us by your Spirit's leading;
hear the cry your church now raises;
Lord, accept our prayers and praises.**

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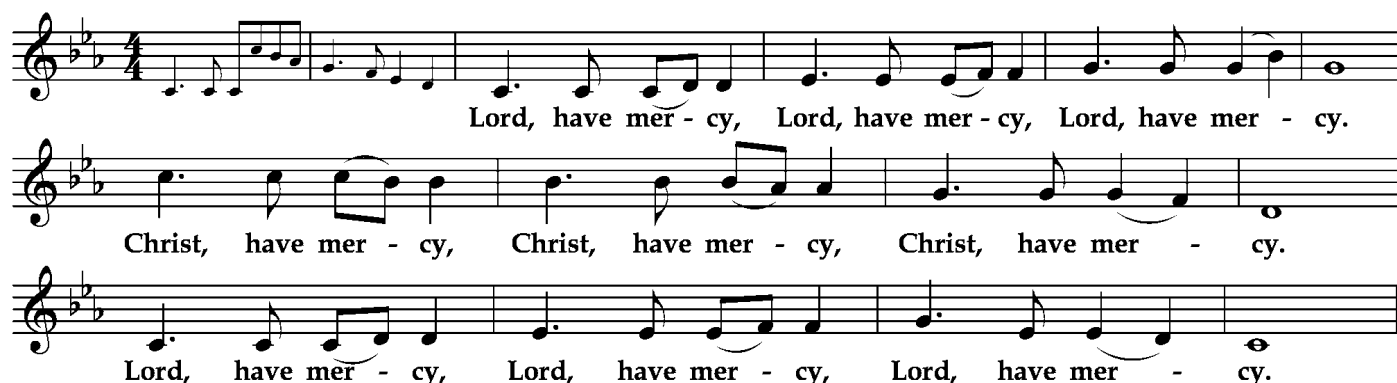
In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The celebrant introduces the service

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.



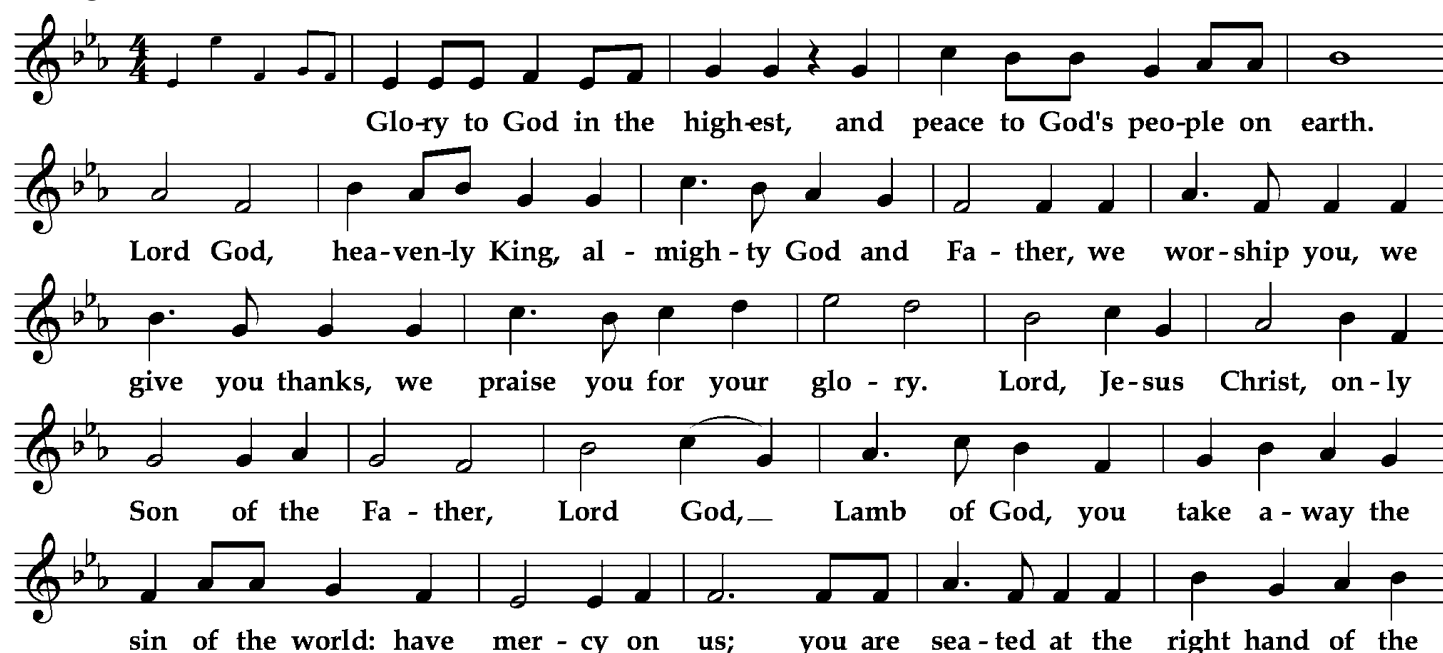
Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.
 Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
 Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord, Je-sus Christ, on-ly
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, — Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are sea - ted at the right hand of the



Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a-lone are the Lord, — you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the — glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The celebrant reads the prayer of the day

Bountiful God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word: by your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy, and to live according to it, that we may grow in faith and hope and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the book of Genesis

25.19-34

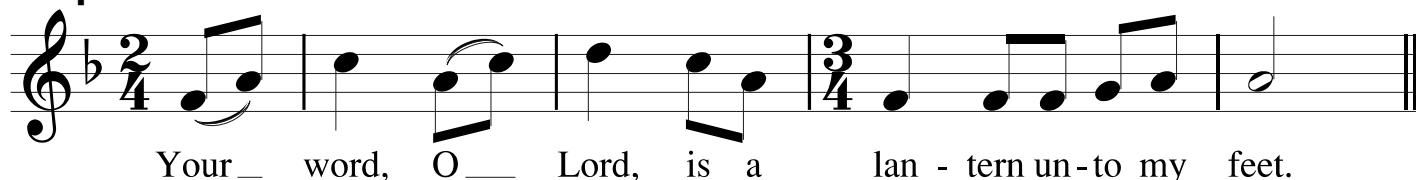
These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife because she was barren, and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her, and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the LORD. And the LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other; the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle, so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel, so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau because he was fond of game, but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?"

Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 119

Response:



Blessed are those whose way is blameless:
who walk in the law of the Lord!

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies:
who seek him with their whole heart. **Response**

Your word, O Lord, is a lantern unto my feet:
and a light unto my path.

I have made a vow and am steadfastly purposed:
to keep your righteous judgments. **Response**

Accept, O Lord, the offerings of my lips:
and teach me your precepts.

Deceivers have laid a snare for me:
yet I have not erred from your ways. **Response**

Your word is my inheritance for ever:
and the very joy of my heart.

I have set my heart to fulfil your commandments:
even unto the end. **Response**

tr. from Psalms for Singers (RSCM) alt.

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A reading from letter of Paul to the Romans

8.1-11

Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but

according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law--indeed, it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

All stand. Repeat the response after the cantor, and then as indicated



Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell

on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. If you have ears, hear!"

"Hear, then, the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit *Sermon – Fr Craig D’Alton*

All stand

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.**

All kneel or sit

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each prayer

...hear our prayer

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. **Grant that what we
have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All stand

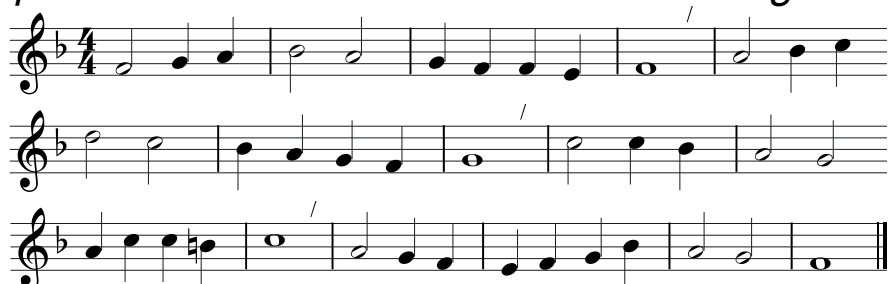
We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The altar is prepared and a collection is taken as all sing:



**Draw near and take the body of our Lord,
and drink his holy blood for you outpoured,
saved by that body and that precious blood,
our souls refreshed, we offer thanks to God.**

**Salvation's giver, Christ the only Son,
who by his cross and blood the victory won,
off'ring himself for greatest and for least,
himself the victim, and himself the priest.**

The victims offered by the law of old,
as signs from God, eternal mysteries told;
now Christ our light, the ransom of our race,
gives to his own this endless source of grace.

Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere,
and take the promise of salvation here.

Christ, who his saints in this world rules and shields,
to all believers life eternal yields.

With heav'nly bread he makes the hungry whole,
gives living waters to each thirsty soul.

Christ Jesus, first and last, to whom shall bow
all nations at the last, is with us now.

Latin, from the Antiphony of Bennchar, 7th cent.
tr. John Mason Neale 1818–66 alt.
Tune: Toulon, TiS 498

The response to the Offertory Prayers is:
Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

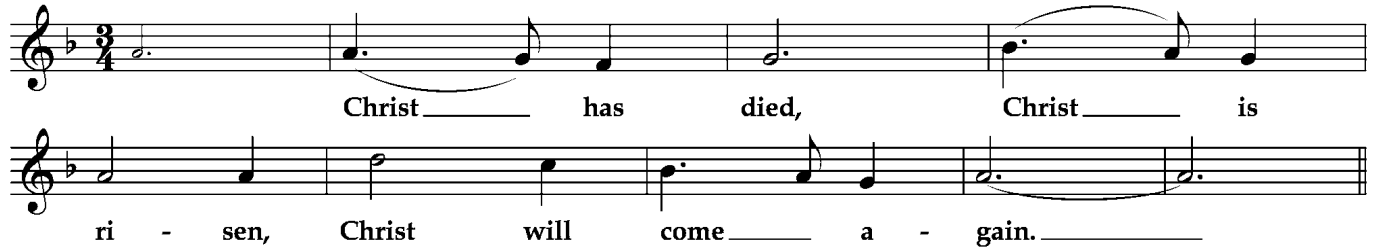
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... praising you and singing:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

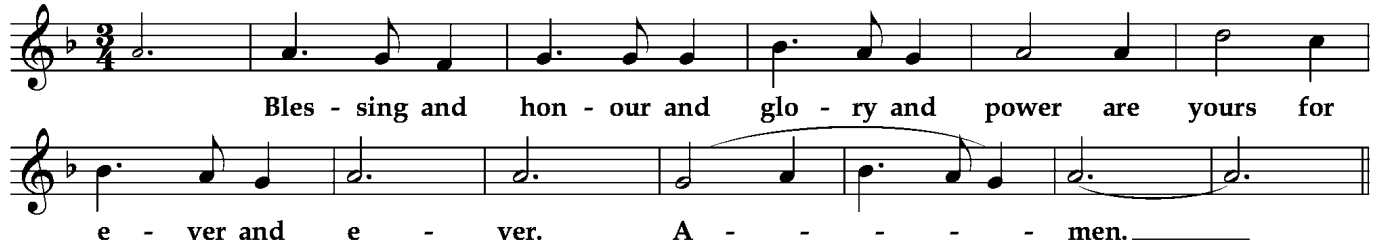
The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ _____ has died, Christ _____ is
ri - sen, Christ will come _____ a - gain. _____

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues... never-ending praise:



Bles - sing and hon - our and glo - ry and power are yours for
e - ver and e - ver. A - - - - - men. _____

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION

We who are many are one body:
For we all share in the one bread.



Je-sus, Lamb _____ of _____ God, have mer-cy on us. Je - sus, bearer of our
sins, have mer-cy on us. Je-sus, re-deem-er of the world: grant us your peace.

**Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the cross,
for all he loved his life he gave.**

**Tell of that glorious Easter morn;
empty the tomb, for he was free:
he broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.**

**Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified.
He sends his Spirit on his church
to live for him, the Lamb who died.**

**Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel-message we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

Edward Joseph Burns 1938– *alt.*
Words © E. J. Burns
Tune: Fulda. TiS 245

Announcements are made

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.**

The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

*All are welcome for Morning Tea in the Community Centre
following the service.*

NOTICES

JULY ROSTER

Date	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Intercessions	Eucharistic Assistant	Offertory	Server
12th July	Deba	Helen	Deba	Valerie	Charles	Grace
19 th July	John	William	Fr Craig	Elisabeth	Geoffrey	Will
26 th July	William	John	Fr Ken	Deba	Gary	TBC

THE CHURCH IN THE BIBLE: FIVE TEXTS FOR BUILDING A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Fr Craig leads a major series of five studies exploring some of the Biblical warrants for how we build Christian community. These will take place on Sundays at around 11am for around 30 minutes. Each session will include a brief exploration of the text, and a discussion about how we might apply it here at Christ Church. Remaining studies (there is no study this week):

19 July: Romans 8:1-16 – A Spirit-led community

26 July: I Cor 12:12-31 – A diverse community

LATER TODAY – OXFORD MOVEMENT SUNDAY

Choral Evensong and Benediction at St Peter's Eastern Hill at 5pm with guest preacher Fr Stuart Soley SMMS, Vicar of St Mary's North Melbourne. An invitation to celebrate our Anglican heritage! We will be commemorating the beginning of the Oxford Movement 193 years ago, giving thanks for the renewal of the Catholic heart of Anglicanism of which we are inheritors today. Please do join us for this celebration, as we thank God for the rich tradition in which we stand, and pray that through our worship and witness we may share the gifts of the Oxford Movement with our Diocese and the wider Church.

VISIT OF BISHOP LINDSAY URWIN

Bp Lindsay, former vicar of Christ Church Brunswick, now based in England, will be guest preacher on Sunday 9 August, when we will keep the feast of the Transfiguration. Bp Lindsay is a dynamic preacher, and you are encouraged to mark the date in your diary!

INTERCESSIONS

For the World:

For lasting peace, and a healing of political and religious divisions throughout the Middle East, praying especially for the people of Iran, the Gulf states, Palestine, Lebanon and Israel. For a just end to war between Ukraine and Russia. For those recovering from earthquakes in Venezuela.

For the Church:

We pray for the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. In Australia we pray for the diocese of Grafton (Bp Murray Harvey). In this diocese for parishes of the deanery of The Hills, and for bishops-designate Megan Curlis-Gibson and Ben Wong.

For the Community:

For the economically deprived and the homeless.

For the anxious, the isolated, and those overcome by fear.

For Christ Church Mission and the Community Centre staff and volunteers.

For the Sick: Les, Josie, Lee, Annette, Jonothan, Margaret, Sean, Fran & for those we name in our hearts.

Also remembering those with long-terms needs for prayer: Gaye, Danny Allan, Patty Dowd, John, Joe, Charles, Byron, Aaron, Helen, Fr Andrew, Evan, Ruth, Peter, Greg and Sharyn and family, Francesco.

For the Departed:

those who have died recently, and those whose Year's Mind occurs this week.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord & let light perpetual shine upon them.

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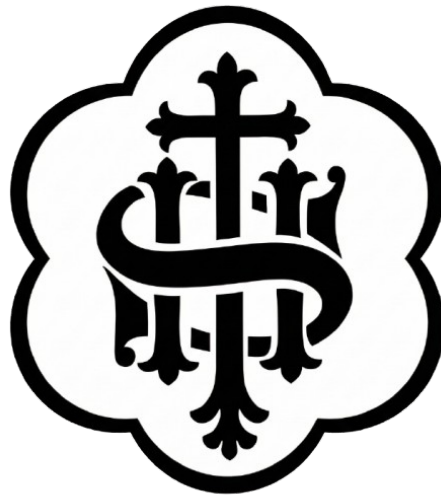
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Please provide us with your phone number and/or email address so that we can get in touch and get to know you better. Tear off this form and hand it to the vicar or one of the welcomers.

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