

BCP EUCHARIST PROPERS

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2024

8 AM

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 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.

Beginning today, the second Sunday of Advent, we look this week to that time when God will have graciously given Godself to live among us. We look forward expectantly to receive with joy once more, God's most precious gift. Giving and receiving gifts at Christmas are reminders, symbols, of that gift, Jesus, whose very name in Hebrew means 'God saves' (Yeshua). So, in our Advent dawn of the new day, light begins to break the darkness, and we hear a voice. Out of the wilderness, across millennia, John the Baptist, gives us the information we need to find our way to Christ and salvation. Paradoxically, that way is by clearing a path for Him to come to us.

Blessings,

The Rev'd Dr Susan Straub
Assistant Priest

Celebrant: The Rev'd Margaret Peel-Shakespeare

Preacher: The Rev'd Dr Susan Straub

Readers: Joanna Goldsworthy, James Scott

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

CEREMONY OF THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Priest Today is the second Sunday in Advent.
We light a candle each week to remind us that Jesus brings light into the dark places of the world.

The first candle (purple, the Candle of Hope) is lit

Reader We light the candle of hope to proclaim that God's light is coming into the world.

The second candle (purple, the Candle of Peace) is lit

Reader We light the candle of peace to proclaim that God's promises will be fulfilled in the birth of Jesus – Prince of Peace.

**Faithful God,
we thank you for fulfilling your promise of a Saviour.
May we be ready to receive the Christ,
a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

MALACHI 3.1-4

A reading from the Prophet Malachi.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Hear the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH

Please respond with the words in bold

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel:
who has come to his people and set them free.

**The Lord has raised up for us a mighty Saviour:
born of the house of his servant David.**

Through the holy prophets, God promised of old:
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us,

**To show mercy to our forebears:
and to remember his holy covenant.**

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship him without fear:
holy and righteous before him, all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

**To give his people knowledge of salvation:
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God:
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death:
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

SECOND READING

PHILIPPIANS 1.1-11

The beginning of the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

LUKE 3:1-6

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the 3rd Chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at verse 1.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.
Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Thank you for worshipping
with us today.**

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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 5 January.
- 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 1 January.
- After the 10:30 am Choral Eucharist, tea and coffee is offered every week.

Advent 3 at Evensong - Story Reading from *Caravan* by Steve Daughtry

Next Sunday, 15 December, at Choral Evensong at 6pm we will have a “Story Reading” from a book of Advent Stories entitled *Caravan* written for the Anglican Board of Mission by Rev’d Canon Steve Daughtry. In place of the sermon we will hear read the story of Zechariah, Elizabeth and Mary. Following Choral Evensong all are warmly invited to the launch of the book at St Mark’s College.

AV Upgrade

Today at the 10:30 am eucharist we will give thanks for the commissioning of the new audio system, which has met with universal acclaim. There is still quite a bit to do, including work on the hearing augmentation functionality, some cosmetic work on minimising the visual impact of conduits cables, and getting the live-streaming function operational.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
Primate: Archbishop Ezekiel Kumir Kondo

National Bunbury: Bishop Ian Coutts (Anne)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide Archdeaconry of The City of Adelaide and The Port: Sam Goodes (Kate)

Diocese of Willochra Ceduna: David Thompson (Jenny)

Diocese of The Murray Mannum - Mt Pleasant - Mt Torrens: locum tenens Bruce Hicks (Melita)

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, Keith Rayner.

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), Edna Allison, Jane Mitchell, Garry Weatherill, Helen Scotcher, Fay Ballard, Joseph Burgess (WCH).

Those who have died recently.

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

8th Sidney Mainstone
Lancelot Vivian Pellew
David Stewart Paterson
Henry Rymill

9th Lucy Edith Williams

10th Catherine Berry

11th Anthony John Sims Bridgman

12th James Welsh
Sybil Longman

Wal Trogler

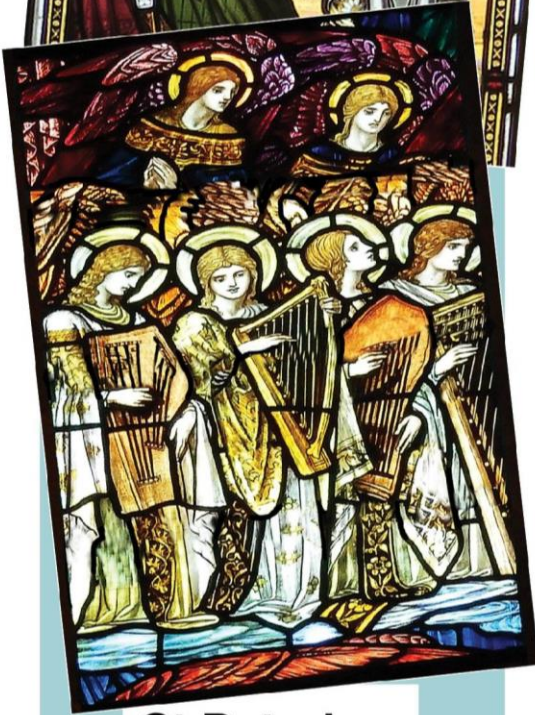
Frances Fielden

Lesley Anne Taylor-Maddern

13th John Charles Bannon

*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*

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All Welcome

Sunday 22 December 2024

6pm: **Blue Christmas Service** (Evening service with hymns)

A service for those who are struggling this Christmas. The simple act of lighting a candle serves to remind us that the darkness has not overcome the light. (John 1:5) With Festival Statesmen Chorus and Organ.

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday 24 December 2024

4pm: **Children's Crib Service**

Children are invited to come dressed as characters from the Christmas story. This service will last approximately one hour.

7pm: **Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols**

With the Cathedral Choir, Organ, and Brass

11pm: **The First Eucharist of Christmas** (Midnight Mass)

Doors open at 10.15pm
With the Cathedral Choir and Organ.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday 25 December 2024

8am: **Holy Communion (BCP) with Carols**

10am: **Festal Choral Eucharist**

With the Cathedral Choir and Organ.



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 9 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 9:15 am Morning Prayer (at St Barnabas College) 10:30am-1pm Open for visiting and private prayer
TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30am-3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10 am Eucharist (BCP) (Lady Chapel) 10:30am-3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30am-3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 8:45 am Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) 10:30 am – 3:30pm Open for visiting and private prayer
SATURDAY 14 DECEMBER	Closed
SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER ADVENT 3	8 am Eucharist (BCP) 10:30 am Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson 6 pm Evensong For the Sermon: A reading from <i>Caravan</i>

CATHEDRAL STAFF

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