

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral. We are delighted to have you worship with us today for this service of Night Prayer.

Please join us in saying the words in bold. The hymn can be found in the separate red hymn book. All 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.

This service of Night Prayer has as its special prayer a Litany of Hope, a reminder that the God in whom we hope is God to whom the past and present lie open, and in whom a future comes to be.

2025 promises to be a big year for the Cathedral and the Diocese of Adelaide as we participate in Hope25. The Hope25 project celebrates the hope that the Good News of God's love in Jesus brings to the world. Look out for the various projects and celebrations that will occur next year. More information on Hope25 throughout 2025 can be found at: <https://www.hope25.com.au>, <https://adelaideanglicans.com>, and <https://www.stpeters-cathedral.org.au>

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

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

*The Officiant welcomes the congregation.*

## **A SERVICE OF THE LIGHT**

*Please kneel/sit*

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

ISAIAH 60.1

Jesus Christ is the light is the world.

**A light no darkness can extinguish.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God,

our eternal Father and David's king.

You have made our gladness greater and increased our joy

by sending to dwell among us

the Wonderful counsellor, the Prince of Peace.

Born of Mary,

proclaimed to the shepherds,

and acknowledged to the ends of the earth,

your unconquered Sun of righteousness

destroys our darkness and establishes us in freedom.

All glory in the highest be to you,

through Christ, the Son of your favour,

in the anointing love of his Spirit,

this night and for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The Amnesty International candle is lit in silence.*

*The following portion of Psalm 141 is said responsorially. During this time the High Altar candles are lit.*

**Let my prayer rise before you as incense,  
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly,

hear my voice when I cry to you.

Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord,

and guard the door of my lips.

**Let my prayer rise before you as incense,  
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

Let not my heart incline to any evil thing;

let me not be occupied in wickedness.

But my eyes are turned to you, Lord God,

in you I take refuge;

do not leave me defenceless.

**Let my prayer rise before you as incense,  
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,  
So may your mercy come down upon us,  
To cleanse our heart and set us free to sing your praise, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*Please sit*

## **THE READING**

## **THE PSALM**

## **THE REFLECTION**

*Following the spoken reflection, the organist will play to provide a time of quiet personal reflection.*

## **A LITANY OF HOPE**

“Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’”

EZEKIEL 37:11

Let us pray:

God of hope,  
we bring before you  
those whose lives are dried up:

**O breath of God,  
breathe upon these  
that they may live.**

We pray for those dried up ...  
by disappointment ... by bitterness ... by guilt ...

We pray for those whose spirit is drained  
... by grief ... by hunger ... by despair ...

**O breath of God,  
breathe upon these  
that they may live.**

God of hope  
we bring before you  
those whose hope is lost:

**O breath of God,  
breathe upon these  
that they may live.**

We pray for people ...  
persecuted ... violated ... left for dead ...

We pray for people ...  
bewildered ... disillusioned ... apathetic ...

**O breath of God,  
breathe upon these  
that they may live.**

God of hope  
we bring before you  
those who feel cut off:

**O breath of God,  
breathe upon these  
that they may live.**

We pray for those cut off ...  
by age ... by disability ... by thoughtlessness ...

We pray for those cut off ...  
from family ... from neighbours ... from God ....

**O breath of God,  
breathe upon these  
that they may live.**

God of hope  
we thank you for the promise of restoration  
of a new day and a new life:

**Thanks be to God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

“May God, the source of hope, fill you with all joy and peace by means of your faith in him,  
so that your hope will continue to grow by the power of the Holy Spirit.” ROM. 15:13

## THE COLLECT FOR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Lord God of the nations,  
we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendour:  
may the brightness of your incarnate Word  
pierce the night that covers the earth,  
signal the dawn of justice and peace,  
and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
in the splendour of eternal light,  
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please stand to sing*

## THE HYMN

*Please remain standing*

## THE BLESSING

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.**

*Remain standing as the clergy depart. After this, you are invited to sit to listen to the organ postlude.*

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

*The life and work of this Cathedral  
is made possible through the  
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 2 February.
- 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 5 February.
- After the 10:30 am Eucharist, tea and coffee is offered weekly.

## **January Worship Schedule**

The weekday worship schedule from Christmas to the end of January is according to the “January” pattern with Morning and Evening Prayer said privately, and the Eucharist celebrated on Wednesday at 7:30 am and 10 am (BCP), and Friday at 7:30 am.

During January, Sunday worship will be at the usual times of 8 am (BCP Eucharist), 10:30 am (Sung Eucharist) and 6 pm (Night Prayer).

# FOR YOUR PRAYERS

## For the Church

### International

The Church in Wales  
Primate: Archbishop Andrew John

### National

Bathurst: Bishop Mark Calder (Susan)

### South Australia

*Diocese of Adelaide* Fullarton: vacant

*Diocese of Willochra* Balaklava, Bungaree and Clare: Andrew Lang (Louise), Roy Todd (Georgina)

*Diocese of The Murray* Director of Formation: Rodney Fopp

## 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, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Helena Fernandez, Cricket Fox, Norton & Judy Schenscher, John Hankin, Brooke Garry, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Edna Allison, Jane Mitchell, Garry Weatherill, Helen Scotcher, Fay Ballard, Joseph Burgess (WCH).

**Those who have died recently,** especially Phil Fox and Peter Black.

### Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

5th Robert Cecil Gould

7th Henry Way Rymill  
Evelyn Mibus

10th Stanley James Ryder  
Flora Joy MacLennan

11th Esther Brotherston

*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](mailto: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.

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MONDAY 6 JANUARY	10:30 am - 1 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
TUESDAY 7 JANUARY	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
WEDNESDAY 8 JANUARY	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 10 am Eucharist (BCP) (Nave) 10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
THURSDAY 9 JANUARY	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
FRIDAY 10 JANUARY	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
SATURDAY 11 JANUARY	Cathedral Closed
SUNDAY 12 JANUARY THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	8 am Eucharist (BCP) 10:30 am Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism & Confirmation Preacher – The Rev'd Margaret Peel-Shakespeare 6 pm Night Prayer

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## CATHEDRAL STAFF

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