

NIGHT PRAYER

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 12 JANUARY 2024

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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 Kaurna 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

The Officiant welcomes the congregation.

A SERVICE OF THE LIGHT

Please kneel/sit

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

LUKE 3.22

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, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe! You led your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night.

Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ.

May his word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are full of loving kindness for your whole creation, and we, your creatures, glorify you,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

We praise and thank you, O God, for you are without beginning and without end. Through Christ you are the creator and preserver of the whole world: but, above all, you are his God and Father, the giver of the Spirit, and the ruler of all that is, seen and unseen. You made the day for the works of light and the night for the refreshment of our minds and bodies. O loving Lord and source of all that is good, accept our evening sacrifice of praise. As you have conducted us through the day and brought us to night's beginning, keep us now in Christ; grant us a peaceful evening and a night free from sin; and, at the end, bring us to everlasting life. Through Christ and in the Holy Spirit, we offer you all glory, honour, and worship, now and for 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 use 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 ... 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 OF THE DAY – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Spirit of energy and change, in whose power Jesus was anointed to be the hope of the nations: be poured out also upon us without reserve or distinction, that we may have confidence and strength to implant your justice on the earth; through Jesus Christ. **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.

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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).

Memorial Flowers

The flowers this week are in memory of Captain Paul McKay.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International The Church of the Province of West Africa

Primate: Archbishop Cyril Kobina Ben-Smith

National Grafton: Bishop Murray Harvey (Leanne)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide Ingle Farm & Para Hills: Joseph Chung (Virginia)

Diocese of Willochra Eastern Eyre Peninsula (Cleve, Cowell, Kimba): Hellena Thom

Diocese of The Murray Onkaparinga Valley (Balhannah, Hahndorf, Woodside): David

McDougall (Andrea)

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, especially Paul McKay.

2nd Heather Claire Scott 16th Theodore Bruce McCall

13th Marion Lenthall Roy Elliott

Bebe Palmer Grace Stewart Morris
Margaret Dibben Paul John McKay

14th Laurence John Knuckey 18th Robert Charles Paul Leeson

Tony Halczuk

15th Edward Humbert Fernie

Joseph Thomas Huston

Barbara Ann Ball

Patricia Elizabeth Mildred Church

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 13 January	10:30 am - 1 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
Tuesday 14 January	10:30 am - I pm Open for visiting and private prayer2 pm Funeral – Phil Fox
Wednesday 15 January	7:30 am Eucharist 10 am Eucharist (BCP) 10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
Thursday 16 January	10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
Friday 17 January	7:30 am Eucharist (Lady Chapel) 10:30 am - 3:30 pm Open for visiting and private prayer
Saturday 18 January	Cathedral Closed
Sunday 19 January The 2nd Sunday after Epiphany	8 am Eucharist (BCP) 10:30 am Sung Eucharist Preacher — The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould 6 pm Night Prayer

CATHEDRAL STAFF

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