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ST PAUL'S - BAKERY HILL



"If God is for us, who is against us?" (Rom 8:31)

Baptism of our Lord—13th January 2019
Living our Faith and Witnessing to Christ's Love

Welcome to St Paul's Church! We acknowledge the Wathaurung people, the traditional custodians of this land. Visitors are asked to make themselves known to the Welcomers. You are invited to wear a St Paul's name tag. Communicant members of all Christian traditions are invited to receive communion; anyone is welcome to receive a blessing. Please join us for refreshments after the Parish Eucharist.



8am Holy Eucharist

10am Parish Eucharist

Welcome to our Eucharist.

INTROIT HYMN: Praise, my soul, the king of heaven: **TIS: 134**

Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847

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

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE: 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

PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

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 Penitential Rite

The Kyrie is sung:

Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy.

The celebrant introduces the Prayer of General Confession:

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.

The celebrant says the Prayer of Absolution:

The Gloria (sung at 10am)

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

COLLECT OF THE DAY: (*pause for silent prayer*) Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: grant that all who are baptised into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43.1–7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, 'Give them up,' and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth – everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

This is the Word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

PSALM 29 (*We respond with the **bold** verses*).

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, 'Glory!'

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 8.14–17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

GRADUAL HYMN: Christ, when for us you were baptized: **TIS 250**

Francis Bland Tucker 1895-1984

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia! Alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Luke 3.16 **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

GOSPEL Luke 3.15–22

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

+ Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

In the wilderness John proclaimed a baptism of repentance. As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, added to them all by shutting up John in prison. Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

THE SERMON: Fr Graham

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church: *[stand]*

**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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the world and the Church...

After the prayers:

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.

The following Prayer of Humble Access may follow here:

**We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in
our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We
are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your
table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have
mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your**

dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE *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**

OFFERTORY HYMN: O love how deep, how broad, how high!: **TIS 194**

Benjamin Webb 1819-85

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The celebrant begins the Eucharistic Prayer (remain standing throughout)

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 preface continues...forever praising you and singing:

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.

The Eucharistic prayer continues...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The prayer concludes with ...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 forever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body in Christ,
for we all share in the one bread.

**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 sin of the world, grant us your
peace.**

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word, and I
shall be healed.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION HYMN: Sent forth by God's blessing: **TIS 531**

Omer Westendorf 1916-

Father **we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your spirit, to live and
work to your praise and glory, Amen.**

Parish Notices...

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.**

Go in the peace of Christ, **Thanks be to God!**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: By your kingly power, O risen Lord: **TIS 386**

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Worship & Diary this week **(14th-19th January)**

Wed- 11.15 am Eureka HC

Thurs – 10.30 am Holy Eucharist followed by Morning Tea

Readings for next Sunday Isaiah 62.1-5, Psalm 36.5-10, 1 Corinthians 12.1-11, John 2.1-11



For the Church in every time and place and especially for:

- Pray for the Anglican Church of Australia, The Most Revd Philip Leslie Freier - Archbishop of Melbourne & Primate of Australia
- Northern Territory: Greg Anderson
- West Wimmera: Nagi Habib (locum)
- Ministry among the Karen people.
- Koinambe, PNG
- Those who work the land and our rural communities
- *Bishop @ Cathedral*

For those with Special Needs: among the sick Hazel, Heather, Stephanie, Tamara, Andrew, Aaron, Emily, Ruth, Julie, Sue, Vera, Jenny, Jan, Fr Peter, Seth, Corey, Michele, Gillian, Pauline, Margaret. We pray for patients suffering from serious diseases and those who care for them.

For the departed: Recently departed Eileen Harris

Edward Raisbeck, Edward Hehir, Alice Williams, Glenyce Miller (13) Barbara Gummow, Edward May, Robert Case, Allan Farish, Robert Cyr (14) Faith Fawcett (15) Jane Bailey, Elizabeth Fox (16) Bea Ludbrook,

James Ford, Maria Zuigley, Florence Gunn (17) John Magee, Alan Reed (18) Irene Brady, Vincent Pugh, William Elsworth, Arthur Taylor (19)



Medical issues

The televising of the Invictus Games brought into stark reality the range of medical issues which are the consequence of military action. The competitors described and displayed the many ways in which medical issues are cured. Such issues are of course evident in all corners of our society. The cure Jesus offers, our salvation, may require us to be as open and ready to accept help as the Games' competitors: help from medicos, nurses, social workers, aged care workers, priests, chaplains, MU members.

When the crowds found out about it, they followed him; and he welcomed them, and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed to be cured. Luke 9:11

In the West African states of Cameroon and Guinea political tensions, economic uncertainty and ethnic unrest mean that members concentrate on empowerment programmes. Financial freedom and self-reliance for women will assist many to deal with some medical issues. In Cameroon MU encourages positive upbringing of children especially girls. In both countries members show God's love by helping the most vulnerable. By such love are they healed.



FEBRUARY

Thurs 14th- 1.30 Mothers Union

Sat 23rd – Mothers Union Quiet Day at St Mark's Abbey, Camperdown. All welcome

MARCH

Thurs 7th- afternoon Probus club visit to St Paul's

Sat 23rd – BBQ at Coles Sebastopol

ST PAUL'S CALENDAR

Orders are now being taken for the 2019 parish calendar. If you wish to order one, please write your name on the list at the back of the church and place \$10.00 in a marked envelope in the collection plate.

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