



St George's Anglican Church, Malvern

DAY OF PENTECOST (WHIT SUNDAY)



*Pentecost, El Greco
Prada Museum, Madrid*

19 May, 2024

Before the service, speak with God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

SETTING AT 10 A.M.

Music for the Parish Communion Martin How (1931–2022)

The service may be followed from p. 119 in An Australian Prayer Book (with seasonal additions pp. 154–5)

Opening Hymn: 137

Sentence: A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you,' says the LORD God; 'I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.'

c.f. Ezekiel 36:26;37:14

Collect

Almighty God,

You sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church:

open our hearts to the riches of your grace,

that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 2: 1–21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Amazed and astonished, they asked,

'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?

And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?

Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and

Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of

Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome,

both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.'

All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,
'What does this mean?'

But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:

'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem,

let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:25–35, 37

**Response: Send forth your Spirit, O LORD,
(at 8:00 a.m.) and renew the face of the earth.**

25. O LORD, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

R.

26. Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number,
creatures both small and great.

27. There move the ships, and there is the Leviathan,
which you have made for the sport of it.

R.

28. All of them look to you to give them their food in due season;
29. You give it to them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled with good things.
30. You hide your face and they are terrified;
you take away their breath they die and return to their dust. **R.**
31. You send forth your spirit and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.
32. May the glory of the LORD endure for ever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works.
33. He looks on the earth and it trembles;
he touches the mountains and they smoke. **R.**
34. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.
35. May these words of mine please him;
I will rejoice in the LORD...
37. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Alleluia! **R.**

at 10:00 a.m.

Response & Chant: Anthony Gregory Murray (1905–1992)

Send forth your Spi - rit, O Lord, and re - new the face of the earth.

1. Praise the Lord, O my soul, O Lord God, your glory is great.
How many are your works O Lord! The earth is full of your handiwork. **R.**
2. All creatures look to you to give them their food to eat.
When you open your hand, they are filled with good,
when you hide your face they pine away. **R.**
3. When you take away their breath, they die,
and return to the earth, whence they came.
When you send forth your Spirit, all things spring to life,
and the face of the earth is renewed. **R.**
4. The glory of the Lord shall never cease,
the Lord shall rejoice in his works.
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,
I will praise my God while my breath remains. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 8:22–27

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope.

For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness;

for we do not know how to pray as we ought,

but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 431

GOSPEL

John 15: 26–27; 16:4b–15



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus spoke to his disciples:

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father,

the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf.

You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning...

But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes
you may remember that I told you about them.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you.
But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me,
"Where are you going?"

But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.
Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away,
for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you;
but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes,
he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement:
about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness,
because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer;
about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.
When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth;
for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears,
and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.
All that the Father has is mine.
For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

We pray for The Anglican Church of Canada; The Diocese of Melbourne; St George's, Queenscliff
and St James' Point Lonsdale; St Matthew's Endeavour Hills; Christ Church, St Kilda;
St John's, Heidelberg; St John's, Flinders; St Mark's, Balnarring and Hospital Chaplaincy.

For all in need

We pray for: Ewan; James; Jenny; Jenny and Jeff; Keith; Patrick, Roma; Ron;
and those we name before you now in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Janet Alexander;
Elizabeth Armstrong; Rowan Blogg; Lily (Pat) Boughton; Sheila Burgess; Ethel Cameron;
Colin Cruth; Ian Harry (Toby) Cuming; Neda Marie Fish; Nancy Hillier;
Percival Philp (Peter) Jackson; Janet Lloyd; Pauline Scott-Mackenzie; Hilda (Peg) Payne;
Gladys May Reilly; Elsie May Smith; Sabina Beatrice Victoria Westcott; and
Samuel Richard Creswick Wood.

Offertory Hymn: 409

During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

1. *Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.
Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love.*
2. *Enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes give peace at home,
where thou art guide no ill can come.*
3. *Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but one;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song:
Praise to thine eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

*Words: attrib. Rabanus Maurus (c. 780–856)
trans. John Cosin (1594–1672)
Music: Thomas Attwood (1765–1838)*

Final Hymn: 140

During this hymn, at 10:00 a.m. the clergy move to the Paschal Candle. At the end of the hymn:

Celebrant: Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.
Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;
the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.
With the new wine of the Spirit
they proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
the way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life,
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All Blessed be God for ever.

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ
over the powers of sin and death.
We have proclaimed God's mighty acts
and we have prayed that the power that was at work
when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.
As part of God's Church here in Malvern,
I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

All We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

All We will.

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

All We will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

All We will.

The Paschal Candle is now extinguished in silence, as we promise to carry its light to the world.

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives.

All Amen.

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

All Amen.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

All Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty...

All Amen.

Deacon: Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Roster Sunday TODAY 19 May 2024		Roster for Next Sunday TRINITY SUNDAY 26 May 2024	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-person	Coral Gordon Campell Paine
Acolytes	Ravi Renjen	Acolytes	Andrew Murray
Eucharistic Assistants	Andrew Murray Betty Renjen	Eucharistic Assistants	Simon Dickie Leigh Mackay
Intercessor	Leigh Mackay	Intercessor	Leonie Bird
Readers	Hamish Tadgell David Sheppard	Readers	Lorilae Garcia Jenny Weller-Newton
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell David Powell	Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell Robyn Whitehouse
Acolytes	Pam Felgate Vincent Amos Andrew Murray (Th)	Acolytes	Pam Goodes Verina Anderson
Eucharistic Assistants	Geraldine Powell Pam Goodes	Eucharistic Assistants	Andrew Murray Pam Goodes
Intercessor	John Stewart	Intercessor	Judy Wright
Readers	John Batt Suzie Hill	Readers	Gavin Watson Meg Winter
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-person	Judy Wright
Reader	Miriam Cherry	Reader	Judy Wright

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

Isaiah 6: 1–8
Romans 8: 12–17

Psalm 29
John 3: 1–17

Week Ahead

	<i>Ember Week: Prayers for the Ordained Ministry of the Church</i>
Friday	John (d. 1791) and Charles (d. 1788) Wesley, evangelists
Saturday	Bede of Jarrow, priest and teacher (d. 735)

NOTICES

We warmly welcome today's preacher **The Reverend Canon (Emerita) Professor Dorothy Lee**. Please say hello and make her welcome at St George's.

St Alban's Food Relief collection is next Sunday. We are one of the main contributors to this outreach, so please give generously at this time of great need in this disadvantaged area of our City.

The church's **storm water and drainage system is being repaired**. During this time, access to the church will be affected and car parking during the week is reduced. We apologise for any inconvenience created and recommend finding alternative parking such as off-street parking on Glenferrie Road as well as the public car park behind Malvern Town Hall. We anticipate this necessary work will take 4-6 weeks for completion. Your patience in the matter is greatly appreciated.

Pew sheet contributions and notices kindly need to be submitted to the office by close of business on Tuesday.

Of your charity, please continue to pray for those in long term need or sickness: His Majesty The King; HRH The Princess of Wales; Angus; Ann; Geoff; Ivan and Liza; Jane; Joan; Keith and Erica; +Peter; Sarah; Simon; and Stephen.

From the Vicar:

On Wednesday May 1, Bishop Genieve and Bishop Richard Treloar (Gippsland), represented the Anglican Province of Victoria at the Yoorrook Justice Commission. A part of Archbishop Philip's statement to the Commission, shared in an *Ad Clerum* last week, said:

The Yoorrook Justice Commission is an important truth-telling commission with the powers of a Royal Commission. Yoorrook has wide terms of reference that include enquiring into 'Historical Systemic Injustice ...since the start of Colonisation' along with 'Ongoing Systemic Injustice' in a range of areas, including youth and criminal justice, child protection, health and welfare. Suffice it to say that the scope of the Commission's responsibilities is broad.

It is certainly the case that the history of colonisation has been repeatedly told from the perspective of the colonists and not from the First Nations people whom the colonists inevitably and systematically drove from their land and traditional life. The colonial enterprise inexorably expanded to cover the whole of, what is now, the State of Victoria, as it did over different periods in other parts of Australia. There were certainly members of the Church of England who denounced the injustice of what was happening as there must surely have been amongst its members those who were perpetrators of that injustice. Being an intergenerational community that has a strong value of presence in community inevitably means that we have an intertwined history with all that has gone before us in our State.

Great atrocities were committed against First Peoples in this period of frontier expansion and to the extent that we remain ignorant about it we compound the consequences of that injustice in our own day.

I commend the work of the Yoorrook Justice Commission to your attention and your prayers.

Bishop Genieve concluded the Diocese of Melbourne's presentation by saying:

Thank you to First Nations people for your continued willingness to speak with us and advise us and [for] including us today, an incredible sign of grace.

Confronting truth is painful, but important to sit with and let's not forget that justice is costly. As the Anglican Church we have been complicit in injustice, but want to move forward and be part of the solution.

The hearing on May 1 can be seen here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rqhmJvH_8_Q; and the submission of the Anglican Church can be read here: <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Yoorrook-Justice-Commission-Response-of-the-MBWG-28-March-2024.pdf>

In coming days, weeks, and months, I invite us, as God's people here, not only to accept the Archbishop's commendation of praying for the work of the Yoorrook Justice Commission, but also to take up Bishop Genieve's promise (on our behalf) that we want to "be part of the solution" to the many issues the Commission is exploring. I also invite us to consider seriously what **practical steps we** can undertake here in Malvern to begin that work, remembering that "confession", "seeking forgiveness", and "reconciliation" are all gospel issues!

CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS



**St George's Anglican
Church**

St George's Anglican Church is accepting applications for Choral Scholars of all voice parts to commence immediately.

- Develop your singing and musicianship in a friendly and supportive environment
 - Opportunities for solo singing
 - Receive an honorarium of up to \$4,500 p.a.
 - Flexible arrangements for leave
 - Regular Thursday evening rehearsal and Sunday morning service
 - Occasional Evensongs and special services for Easter and Christmas
- Contact Tom Baldwin (Director of Music) at music@stgeorgesmalvern.org

In our Parish Profile, members of the parish identified that 'our rich choral tradition' was an element of parish life people wished to continue and support.

As you will see above, we are advertising again for talented singers who might receive a choral scholarship to sing in the parish choir.

Parishioners can assist in raising money for this, by donating to the special account we hold for Choir and Music with the Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation (MACO).

Donations, which are tax-deductible, can be made here:

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/>

Please note the following:

Under 'Select the Fund you wish to donate to', select MACO;

Under 'Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation Inc. (MACO)', select St George's Malvern – Music Fund.

Please **also** note: you are warmly encouraged to speak with any singers you know who may be looking for a friendly, welcoming choir to sing with and join.

If you have a Facebook account, please "friend" our page and "like" the scholarship post. Your friends will then be able to see this great opportunity and respond!"



In 1988, The National Trust of Australia (Victoria) classified St George's Anglican Church, Malvern as B5959, indicating in the Trust's view it is "essential to Victoria's heritage and must be preserved."

Here is your chance to help preserve it!



Donations to the St. George's external appeal through the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) are allowable as deductions for tax purposes.

Donations can be made by scanning the QR Code, visiting our website <https://www.stgeorgesmalvern.org/support-donations> or going directly to <http://www.givenow.com.au/stgeorgemalvernroof>

Your full donation will fund this important work as administration and platform costs have been absorbed by the church. Publicity is vital for the success of this appeal and volunteers are greatly needed for "Flyer-Drops" in local letterboxes. Please contact Ravi on 0412 399 897 for how you can assist.





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We acknowledge the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, acknowledge their continuing spiritual connection to Country, and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.