

## ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH,

## **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

16 June, 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 begins on p. 119 of **A Prayer Book for Australia** (The "Green" or "Blue" book)

Opening Hymn: 339

#### **SENTENCE**

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

2 Corinthians 5: 19

#### **C**OLLECT

Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

FIRST READING

I Samuel 15:34 –16:13

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul.

Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death,

but Samuel grieved over Saul.

And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The LORD said to Samuel,

'How long will you grieve over Saul?

I have rejected him from being king over Israel.

Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.'

Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.'

And the LORD said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say,

"I have come to sacrifice to the LORD."

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Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.'

Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem.

The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?'

He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.'

And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD.' But the LORD said to Samuel.

'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel.

He said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.'

Then Jesse made Shammah pass by.

And he said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.'

Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen any of these.'

Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?'

And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.'

And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him;

for we will not sit down until he comes here.'

He sent and brought him in.

Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome.

The LORD said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.'

Then Samuel took the horn of oil,

and anointed him in the presence of his brothers;

and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 20

# Response: We will call upon the name of the LORD our God. (at 8:00 a.m.)

- I. May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend you;
- 2. Send you help from his holy place and strengthen you out of Zion. R.
- 3. Remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice;
- 4. Grant you your heart's desire and prosper all your plans.

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Response: Andrew Wright

- 5. We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the name of our God; may the LORD grant all your requests.
- 6. Now I know that the LORD gives victory to his anointed; he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his right hand.
- 7. Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, but we will call upon the name of the LORD our God.
- 8. They collapse and fall down, but we will arise and stand upright.
- 9. O LORD give victory to the king and answer us when we call. R.

## (at 10:00 a.m.)



- I. May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend you;
- 2. Send you help from his sanctuary and strengthen you out of Zion;
- 3. Remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice;
- 4. Grant you your heart's desire and fulfil all your mind.
- May we rejoice in your salvation and triumph in the name of our God;
   may the Lord perform all your petitions.

  R.

- 6. Now I know that the Lord will save his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven, with the mighty strength of his right hand.
- 7. Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, but we will call only on the name of the Lord our God. R.
- 8. They are brought down and fallen, but we are risen and stand upright.
- 9. O Lord, save the king and answer us when we call upon you. R.

### **SECOND READING**

2 Corinthians 5: 6–10; 14–17

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord — for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil...

For the love of Christ urges us on,

because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Gradual Hymn:

- For the fruit of his creation, thanks be to God.
   For his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
   For the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.
- 2. In the just reward of labour,
  God's will is done;
  In the help we give our neighbour
  God's will is done
  In our worldwide task of caring
  for the hungry and despairing,
  in the harvests we are sharing,
  God's will is done.
- 3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
  For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
  For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Words: Frederick Pratt Green (1903–2000) Music: Ar hyd y nos (Welsh traditional melody) **GOSPEL** *Mark 4: 26–34* 



The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever.

## Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

## And also with you.

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

## Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables.

Jesus said,

'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day,

and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.

The earth produces of itself, first the stalk,

then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said,

'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it?

It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## For the Anglican Church

The Anglican Church of Chile; The Diocese of Gippsland; St Agnes' Black Rock; St John's Bentleigh; St James' the Great, Wandin with St Paul's Seville & Mt Evelyn; and Melbourne Grammar School.

#### For all in need

Christopher; +Garry; Jenny; Jenny and Jeff; Kim; Mary; Roma; and Maya and Noah, preparing for baptism.

#### For the Faithful Departed

We remember those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Edward Butler; Iain Courcoux; Michael Duffield; Harry Hewett; Patrick Owen Lannan; Lillian Lobb; Judith McMullen; Frederick Blundell Preston Minchin; Nicholas Sanderson; Kristina Smith; Colin Wilkinson; and Noel Wilkinson.

Offertory Hymn: 290

### During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain, Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain, Thinking that never he would wake again, Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, He that for three days in the grave had lain; Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Thy touch can call us back to life again, Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

> Words J. M. C. Crum (1872–1958) Music: 'Noël Nouvelet', French traditional carol Arr. Simon Lindley (b. 1948)

Final Hymn: 433

Postlude: Processional (from Music for the Royal Fireworks)
George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)
arr. C.H. Trevor (1895–1976)

Roster for Today FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 16 June 2024		Roster for Next Sunday BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST 23 June 2024	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Bryan Elmes	Sides-person	Coral Gordon
Acolyte	Andrew Murray	Acolyte	Bryan Elmes
Eucharistic Assistants	Bryan Elmes Leigh Mackay	Eucharistic Assistants	Simon Dickie Betty Renjen
Intercessor	Leigh Mackay	Intercessor	Leonie Bird
Readers	Jane Baddeley Hamish Tadgell	Readers	Bryan Elmes Charles Tegner
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Melissa Carson Philip Jenkins	Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell Robyn Whitehouse
Acolytes	Pam Felgate Vincent Amos	Acolytes	Pam Goodes Meg Winter
Eucharistic Assistants	Pam Goodes Geraldine Powell	Eucharistic Assistants	Ewan Morgan Leigh Mackay
Intercessor	Andrew Murray	No Intercessions,	owing to Baptism
Readers	Ray Lester Judy Wright	Readers	Robyn Whitehouse Brian Tobin
Morning Tea	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan	Morning Tea	Sibella Guest Robin Barrett
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Andrea King	Sides-person	Judy Wright
Reader	Andrea King	Reader	Judy Wright

**Scripture Readings next week** 

Birth of John the Baptist

Isaiah 49: 1–6 Acts 13: 22–26 Psalm 139: 1–11 Luke 1: 57–66, 80

#### The Week Ahead

Monday	Book Club
Tuesday	12 noon Holy Eucharist at Cabrini Hospital. All Welcome.
Saturday	Alban, first British martyr (d. c. 209)

A reminder that the Daily Offices (Morning and Evening Prayer) are prayed in St Martin's Chapel each Monday – Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. respectively, and can be joined via Zoom at:

Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRIdmIXWDQ4Zz09

Evening Prayer 5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

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#### **NOTICES**

**Book club will meet** this Monday 17 June in the North room at 2.00 pm. We will discuss the book *The Erratics* by Vicki Laveau Harvie. All welcome.

The **Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project** do wonderful work in assisting those in need and continue despite many difficulties. They always appreciate our collections of money, vouchers and food. Please refer to the flyers on the entrance service counter for need items.

**Spiritual Cafe - Save the Dates**: Our next guest speaker on **July 16** is Carol O'Connor who works at St Peter's Bookroom at St Peter's Eastern Hill, Melbourne. She is a writer, retreat conductor, has a background in Classical Studies and a Masters in English Literature. Her topic is 'A Pocketful of Thoughts Upon the Poetry of Mary Oliver'.

Join us for dinner at Giorgio's, 1235 High St Armadale (enter Glenferrie Rd) at 6.30 p.m. For bookings, please email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org or call 9822 3030.

The speaker following that on **27 August** is Aaron Ghiloni; and on **22 October** is Mrs Joy Frier, who will speak on restorative principles.

Brass Cleaning Group – New members required! For various reasons, in the last twelve months the group has lost six members. In order to maintain the church brass bright and shining, we need additional members. The duties involve about an hour's work generally on a Friday morning. We work in pairs, and depending on the numbers in the group, are rostered for duty every four to six weeks. Please contact the Convenor, John Mallinson on Mb: 0414 682 036, or Email: johnmall3@iinet.net.au

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; Sarah; Simon; and Stephen.



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 <u>also</u> 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.

Please do not make your cheques payable to St George's but to the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) and include a note of your name and the address/email to which you wish the receipt sent.

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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.