



ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MALVERN

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11 August 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: 443

SENTENCE

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love,
as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us.

Ephesians 5: 1–2

COLLECT

Grant, O Lord,
that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our need,
and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread
that you have given us in Jesus Christ;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

2 Samuel 18:5–9, 14, 31–33

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying,
‘Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.’

And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders
concerning Absalom.

So the army went out into the field against Israel;

and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim.

The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David,
and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men.

The battle spread over the face of all the country;

and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword.

Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

Joab said, 'I will not waste time like this with you.'

He took three spears in his hand, and thrust them into the heart of Absalom, while he was still alive in the oak.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said,

'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the LORD has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.'

The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?'

The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.'

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said,

'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom!

Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130

Response: Out of the depth have I called you, O Lord.
(at 8:00 a.m.)

1. Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice;
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplications.
2. If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss,
O LORD, who could stand?
3. For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared. **R.**
4. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.
5. My soul waits for the LORD,
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning. **R.**
6. O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is mercy;
7. With him there is plenteous redemption,
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins. **R.**

(at 10:00 a.m., sung by the choir)

Chant: Henry Purcell (1659–1695)

1. Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O LORD:
LORD, hear my voice.
2. O let thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint.
3. If thou, LORD, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss:
O LORD, who may abide it?
4. For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared.
5. I look for the LORD; my soul doth wait for him:
in his word is my trust.
6. My soul fleeth unto the LORD:
before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
7. O Israel, trust in the LORD, for with the LORD there is mercy:
and with him is plenteous redemption.
8. And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:17–5:2

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Now this I affirm and insist on in the Lord:

you must no longer live as the Gentiles live, in the futility of their minds.

They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of their ignorance and hardness of heart.

They have lost all sensitivity and have abandoned themselves to licentiousness, greedy to practise every kind of impurity.

That is not the way you learned Christ!

For surely you have heard about him and were taught in him,

as truth is in Jesus. You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts,

and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds,

and to clothe yourselves with the new self,

created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth

to our neighbours, for we are members of one another.

Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,

and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing;

rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands,
so as to have something to share with the needy.
Let no evil talk come out of your mouths,
but only what is useful for building up,
as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear.
And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption.
Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling
and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another,
tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.
Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ
loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 274

GOSPEL

John 6:35, 41–51



I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

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 said to the crowd, 'I am the bread of life.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,

and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said,

'I am the bread that came down from heaven.'

They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father
and mother we know? How can he now say,

"I have come down from heaven"?"

Jesus answered them,

‘Do not complain among yourselves.

No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me;
and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets,
“And they shall all be taught by God.”

Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me.
Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God;
he has seen the Father.

Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life.
Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died.

This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and
not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.’

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 Korea; The Diocese of Ballarat; The Anglican Parish of Croydon Hills & Wonga Park; St Columb’s Hawthorn; St John’s Diamond Creek and Evangelism in the Diocese.

For all in need

Barbara and family; Christopher; +Garry; Jenny; +Kate; John and Julie; Mary; Robyn; and Venetia.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Muriel Cornish;
Kathleen Deans; William Harris; Gladys Jenkins; Radcliffe Lewis; Alice Lyons;
Elaine Evelyn Moran; Stanley Charles Moss; Jessie Campbell Fulton Murray;
Barbara Meredith Nettlefold; Clare Vanderkelen; John Wailes; and Louise Willsmore.

Offertory Hymn: 296

During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

*Author of life divine,
Who hast a table spread,
Furnished with mystic wine
And everlasting bread,
Preserve the life thyself hast given,
And feed, and train us up for heaven.*

*Our needy souls sustain
With fresh supplies of love,
Till all thy life we gain,
And all thy fulness prove,
And strengthened by thy perfect grace,
Behold without a veil thy face.*

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–88)
Music: Cecilia McDowell (b. 1951)

Final Hymn: 284

Postlude: *March in C*
Henry Purcell (1659–1695)
arr. C.H. Trevor (1895–1976)

Scripture Readings next week

I Kings 2:10–12; 3:3–14
Ephesians 5:11–31

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Psalm 111
John 6:51–58

The Week Ahead

Tuesday	Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer (d. 1667)
Wednesday	Twentieth century martyrs
Thursday	<i>Mary, Mother of our Lord</i>

NOTICES

Book club will meet tomorrow 12 August in the North room at 2.00 p.m. We will discuss the book *Best Wishes* by Richard Glover. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.

Ron Tayles' funeral will be held here at St George's on **Tuesday, 20 August 2024 at 11:00 a.m.** Refreshments will be served in the hall after the service. Please come join us to farewell and celebrate the life of this remarkable member of St George's community.

Spiritual Café: A Muslim and a Christian in Conversation: the next Spiritual Café is **Tuesday 27 August**. The speakers are a Qur'an scholar, Dr Hakan Çoruh and a Christian priest the Reverend Dr Aaron Ghiloni. The theme of their conversation will be holy envy. Spiritual Café meets at Giorgios Restaurant. Arrive at 6:30 p.m. to have a delicious meal of your choice, followed by an interesting interfaith conversation between friends. RSVP to the parish office by phone 9822 3030 Option 2 or email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org.

The Australian Anglican Church Calendar and Lectionary (Year C) for 2025 are available for order. The cost of the calendar is \$15 and the lectionary is \$TBC. The order sheet for both can be found at the service counter of the church.

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; Rehan; Roma; Sarah; Simon; and Stephen.

Roster for Today TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 11 August 2024		Roster for Next Sunday THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 18 August 2024	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-person	Coral Gordon
Acolyte	Ravi Renjen	Acolyte	Bryan Elmes
Eucharistic Assistants	Judy Mallinson Leigh Mackay	Eucharistic Assistants	Bryan Elmes Helen Baddeley
Intercessor	Jenny Robertson	Intercessor	Leigh Mackay
Readers	Betty Renjen John Mallinson	Readers	Bryan Elmes Hamish Tadgell
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell David Powell	Sides-persons	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan
Acolytes	Pam Goodes Philip Jenkins	Acolytes	Pam Goodes Vincent Amos
Eucharistic Assistants	Pam Goodes Andrew Murray	Eucharistic Assistants	Ewan Morgan Geraldine Powell
Intercessor	Judy Wright	Intercessor	John Stewart
Readers	Ewan Morgan Riley Brooks	Readers	Ray Lester Judy Wright
Morning Tea	Sibella Guest Claire Sheppard	Morning Tea	David Amos Pam Felgate
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-persons	Pam Felgate
Reader	Miriam Cherry	Reader	Pam Felgate

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=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

Meeting ID: 709 867 2691; Passcode: 630283

<https://zoom.us/j/7098672691?pwd=TFBBSGYxb2lhcUI3RWRldmIXWDQ4Zz09>

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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.*