

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

22 September 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.

Missa Gratia – Calvin Bowman (b. 1972)

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

Opening Hymn: 205

SENTENCE

Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

Mark 9:35

COLLECT

God and Father of all, you have taught us through your Son that the last shall be first, and have made a little child the measure of your kingdom: give us the wisdom from above, so that we may understand that in your sight the one who serves is the greatest of all. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Proverbs 31:10–31

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

A capable wife who can find?

She is far more precious than jewels.

The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain.

She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life.

She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands.

She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away.

She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls.

She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.

She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong.

She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.

Her lamp does not go out at night.

She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle.

She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson.

She makes herself coverings;

her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land.

She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes.

Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.

She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.

She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.

Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her:

'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.'

Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM I

Response: Happy are they who delight in the law of the Lord. (at 8:00 a.m.)

- I Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on his law day and night.

R.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither. Everything they do shall prosper.

R.

- 4 It is not so with the wicked: they are like chaff which the wind blows away;
- 5 Therefore the wicked will not stand upright, when judgement comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.

R.

(at 10:00 a.m.)

Response: Keith Duke Chant: Colin Mawby (1936–2019)



- I. Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.
- Their delight is in the law of the LORD and they meditate on his law day and night.

 R.
- 3. Like a tree planted by streams of water bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither, whatever they do, it shall prosper.
- 4. As for the wicked, it is not so with them; they are like chaff which the wind blows away. R.
- 5. Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement, nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.
- 6. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall perish.

R.

SECOND READING

James 3:1–12

A reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes.

Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle.

If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them,

yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue — a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing.

My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so.

Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 431

GOSPEL Mark 9:30–37



All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord. **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.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them,

'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.'

But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?'

But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.

He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them,

'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.'

Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,

'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

The Church of North India; Ministry with the First Nations peoples of Australia; Archdeaconry of Melbourne; Parish of St Paul's, Inverleigh w. St John's, Bannockburn and Church of the Epiphany, Meredith; St Augustine's Mentone; Emmanuel Church; St John's, Camberwell; All Saints', Lorne; Emmanuel Iranian Congregation, Dandenong North; St Chad's, Longbeach; and St George's, Reservoir.

For all in need

Ann; +Brad, Karen & family as they grieve; Christopher; +Garry; Jeff; Jenny; Kaye; Keith; Lisa; Mary; Matthew; Natalie, Rod & family; Olivia (with Allan & Paul, Eleanor & Charlotte); Robyn and Peter.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those who have died recently: Barry Billings; and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Jean Collier Armstrong; Margaret Bauer; Richard Coles; Verna Coles; Esther Monica van den Driesen; Amy Embling; Elaine Jarvie; Wilf Jennings; Mary Lewis; Annie Logan; Richard Markillie; Llewellyn Moline; Beryl Sadleir; Monica Sheppherd; William (Bill) Tickner; and all members of the Richards family, especially Sandy & John; Archelaus; Ellen Charlotte (Nellie); Florence Elizabeth Mary; Florence June; Frederick John; Gwenthelleyean Margaret (Gwen); Henrietta Florence; Ulysses; Samuel; and William Lionel.

Offertory Hymn: 271

During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

O salutaris hostia Quae caeli pandis ostium: Bella premunt hostilia, Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino Sit sempiterna gloria, Qui vitam sine termino Nobis donet in patria. Amen. O saving victim who opens the gate of heaven: oppressive war threatens, give strength, bring help.

To the Lord, three and one, be eternal glory, who shall give to us life without end in his land. Amen.

Words: Antiphon for the Feast of Corpus Christi

Music: Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

Final Hymn: 208

Postlude: Tuba Tune C. S. Lang (1891–1971)

Scripture Readings next week St Michael and all Angels (Michaelmas)

Daniel 7:9–10, 7:13–14 Revelation 12:7–12a Psalm 138 John 1:45–51

The Week Ahead

Wednesday	Sergius of Moscow, abbot and teacher (d. 1392)		
Thursday	Lancelot Andrewes, bishop of Winchester (d. 1626)		
Friday	Vincent de Paul, priest and worker with the poor (d. 1660)		

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

Today we celebrate 100 Years of Association with St George's by the Richards family at 10:00 a.m. liturgy. We welcome Rick and all members of the Richards family, and invite you to join with us all for refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Today, being the fourth Sunday in the month, there will be a retiring collection for **St Alban's Food Relief Program.** Please give generously.

Today is also **John Batt's birthday**: another reason to join us for the celebration in the Hall.

Thank you to all who assisted with yesterday's working bee. A reminder that there will be another working been next **Saturday**, **28 September**. Next week we will work to make the church look as bright, clean and sparkling as possible for the visit of the Archbishop the next day. If you come early – say from **9:00 a.m.** – all should be finished in time to allow a return home to watch something or other that is on television that afternoon!!

Join the roster!

One way we can all contribute to the life of our congregations is to join the roster for our service. If you are a regular attender at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. services on Sunday or 10:15 a.m. Thursday service, and would be interested in reading the Scriptures, serving, leading us in intercessory prayer or welcoming our congregation, please contact Leigh Mackay. You may leave a phone message, 0409 017244, or email mackayleigh@hotmail.com

Next Sunday, 29 September 2024, we celebrate the Feast of Michael and all Angels (Michaelmas) at a combined service at 9:30 a.m. The Archbishop will preside and preach, and the restored windows will be rededicated.

Following morning tea after the service, (around 11:30 a.m.) there will also be a **Farewell Luncheon to celebrate The Most Reverend Dr Philip Freier's ministry** as the Archbishop of Melbourne in the hall. Feel free to bring friends to enjoy delicious food and a social time together! Cost is \$65 per head. If you are able to contribute more, please be generous. Please do not allow the cost to deter you from attending, just speak to a Warden or Sandra Morgan. Kindly RSVP to the parish administrator by email — office@stgeorgesmalvern.org. Payment options:

- (I) "Tap" the Square Reader after Sunday Services and record your name on the Register
- (2) Direct Debit: St George's Malvern
 BSB: 703122 AC# 05009778 Reference "Archbishop [You Name]"
- (3) Cheque Payable to St George's Anglican Church Malvern, handed to one of the Wardens.

Being the fifth Sunday, there will also be a collection of goods for the Brigidine Asylum Seekers' Centre on Sunday 29th September. Please refer to the flyers at the service counter for further information.

Tudor Choristers will perform their next concert, *Of Heaven and Earth*, in St George's **on Wednesday 25 September 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** An exquisite blend of sacred and more earthly music with the "heavenly" drawn from Mudd, De Prez, Parsons, Bruckner and Tallis, and then supplemented with the more "earthly" songs by Holst, Morley, Weelkes, and Wilby. It includes 3 x Ave Maria, Locus Iste, O nata lux, folksongs and madrigals. Tudor Choristers is a long-established Melbourne choir, now singing under the direction of Carlos del Cueto (a graduate from Clare College, Cambridge during the Deanship of a certain Vicar!)

Tickets available at https://www.tudorchoristers.org.au

You can also call Joy on 0424 750 778 or purchase at the door. Concession \$32; Adult \$36.

As this concert is in St George's, and thanks to Suzie Hill's powers of persuasion, there is still one complimentary ticket available; and Tudor Choristers (again, thanks to Suzie) are offering \$5 off for parishioners. Please speak to the Vicar if you would like the one remaining complimentary ticket. Otherwise, take advantage of the discount for this night of excellent music.

The Australian Anglican Church Calendar and Lectionary (Year C) for 2025 are available for order. The cost of the calendar and the lectionary are both \$20 each. Order sheets for both can be found on the sidespersons' counter at the entrance.

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; Roma; Sarah; and Simon.

Roster for Today EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 22 September 2024		Roster for Next Sunday FEAST OF MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS (MICHAELMAS) 29 September 2024		
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		No 8:00 a.m. Service		
Sides-person	Campell Paine			
Acolyte	Malcolm Tadgell			
Eucharistic Assistants	Miriam Cherry Simon Dickie			
Intercessor	Leonie Bird			
Readers	Malcolm Tadgell John Mallinson			
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Combined 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-persons	Geraldine Powell David Powell	Sides-persons	Miriam Cherry Ewan Morgan	
Acolytes	Pam Goodes Meg Winter	Acolytes	Pam Felgate Pam Goodes Andrew Murray (th)	
Eucharistic Assistants	Geraldine Powell Andrew Murray	Eucharistic Assistant	Judy Mallinson	
Intercessor	Clergy	Intercessor	Malcolm Tadgell	
Readers	Robyn Whitehouse Meg Winter	Readers	David Sheppard Suzie Hill	
Morning Tea	Sibella Guest Sandra Morgan	Morning Tea	David Amos Pam Felgate	
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-person	Judy Wright	Sides-persons	Miriam Cherry	
Reader	Judy Wright	Reader	Miriam Cherry	



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 still advertising 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://melbourneanglicanfoundation.au/donate-melbourne-anglican-cultural-organisation/

Please note the following:

Under 'I. Select a Program in MACO', scroll down and select St George's Malvern - Music Fund and complete the details required then click on "Go to Payment" Button

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.



Work on installing new pipes and a new pump for the drainage system of the church has been completed. We now await the walls to "dry out" before determining if further work needs to be done (on replacing old mortar), or whether the drains were the only source of the damp. That further work will begin in the summer.

That means the plumbing bills now need to be paid – and we are still a long way short of paying solely for that (let alone any further work that may be required). Thus, we still need help to meet the cost of this vital restoration and replacement work. Please consider donating to this work. And many thanks to those who have already done so.



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 still 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 this unceded 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.