ST GEORGE'S ÅNGLICAN CHURCH, MALVERN

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8 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: 334

SENTENCE

So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty.

James 2:13

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, increase our faith, hope and love, and, that we may receive all you promise, make us love what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favour is better than silver or gold.

The rich and the poor have this in common: the LORD is the maker of them all....

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail.

Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor....

Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the LORD pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 125

Response: Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good. (8:00 a.m.)

- I. Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2. The hills stand about Jerusalem; so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

3. The sceptre of wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.

4. Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good, and to those who are true of heart.

5. As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; but peace be upon Israel!

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

Chant: John Hindle (1761–96)

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- 1. Those who put their trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion: which cannot be shaken, but endures for ever.
- 2. As the mountains stand about Jerusalem, so stands the Lord about his people: from this time forward for evermore.
- 3. For the sceptre of wickedness shall have no sway over the land apportioned to the righteous: lest the righteous set their hands to do evil.
- 4. Do good, O Lord, to those who are good: to those that are upright in heart.

5. As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, let the Lord lead them away with the evildoers: and in Israel let there be peace.

SECOND READING

James 2:1-17

A reading from the letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters.

Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, 'You shall not commit adultery', also said, 'You shall not murder.' Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 366

GOSPEL Mark 7:24–37



Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

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.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre.

He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there.

Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him,

and she came and bowed down at his feet.

Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin.

She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.

He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first,

for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.'

But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go — the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis.

They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him.

He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, a

nd put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue.

Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it.

They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

The Church of the Province of Burma; Archdeaconry of La Trobe; St James', Glen Iris; Holy Trinity, Coburg; Church of the Epiphany, Hopper's Crossing; St James' Old Cathedral; St Peter's Craigieburn; and Locums and all retired clergy.

For all in need

Hilary; Keith and family; Mary; Olivia (together with Allan, Paul, Charlotte and Eleanor); Rod and family.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those who have died recently: Erica Mary Wailes; and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Paula Abrahams; Elsie Alfred; Violet Atkins; Rita Campbell; Eva Davis; Margaret Ann Findlay-Hughes; Alan Hain; Margaret Hansen; William Jarvie; Leslie Lyons; Helen Pepperell; Marjorie Sawyer; and Lorna Tickner.

Offertory Hymn: 296

During communion, the Choir sings the following anthem:

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in my eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at my end, and at my departing.

Words: Sarum Primer (1514) Music: Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

Final Hymn: 415

Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in C major, BWV 553 [.S. Bach (1685–1750)

Scripture Readings next week

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Numbers 21:4–9 Psalm 22:22 – 27 | Ohn 3:13–17

The Week Ahead

Wednesday	Mother Esther CHN, founder of the Community of the Holy Name (Melbourne) (d. 1931)
Friday	Cyprian of Carthage, bishop and martyr (d. 258)

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

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

NOTICES

The funeral service for Erica Wailes takes place here tomorrow, Monday, September 9, at 11:00 a.m.

St Peter's Bookroom concludes its Spring Book Fair today from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please come and find a bargain! St Peter's Hall, 15 Gisborne Street, East Melbourne.

Book club will meet tomorrow September 9.

We will be discussing *Small things like These* by Claire Keegan. North Room at 2:00 p.m. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.

Many congratulations to Leonie Bird and Bishop Alison Taylor, both of whom have recently received notice that they have satisfied the examiners and will be awarded Doctorates in Philosophy (PhD) – from the University of Divinity and Deakin University respectively – at the next conferral of degrees. A PhD is a remarkable feat of time and academic discipline, and both Leonie and Bishop Alison deserve warmest praise for completing this arduous task.

Come celebrate the Richards' family Centenary Association with St George's event on Sunday, 22 September 2024 at 10:00 a.m. service, followed by refreshments in the hall.

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 at the service counter of the church.

While Adrian is on annual leave the parish office will not be attended except by appointment from Friday, August 30 until Friday, September 13. Adrian will return on Monday, September 16, 2024. During this time, please contact the Vicar and Curate on clerical matters, or the Wardens for operational matters with Ravi specifically for hires.

On Sunday morning, 29 September 2024, we celebrate the Feast of Michael and all Angels (Michaelmas) at a combined service at 9:30 a.m.

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. Parishioners who wish to donate to a gift for the Archbishop and, especially, Joy Freier, may also do so. Please speak to the Vicar or Adrian about this.

Tudor Choristers will perform their next concert, *Of Heaven and Earth*, in our church on Wednesday 25 September 2024 at 7:00 p.m., under the direction of Carlos del Cueto (a graduate from Clare College, Cambridge during the Deanship of a certain Vicar!) 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.

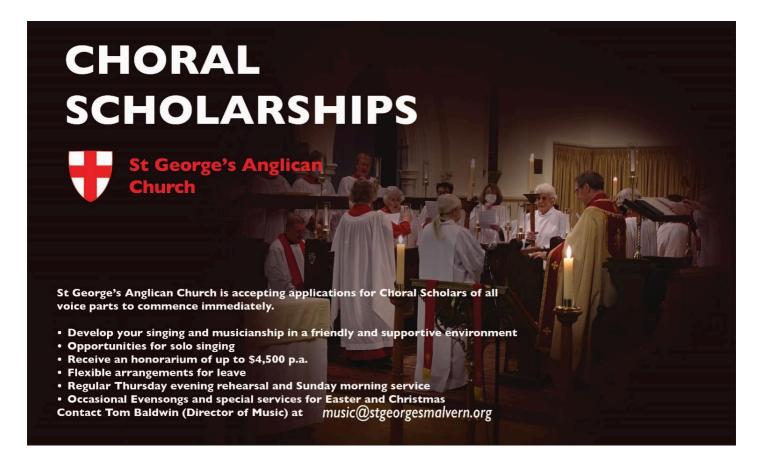
Tickets available at https://www.tudorchoristers.org.au

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 are a number of 'complimentary' tickets available. Please speak to the Vicar if you would like to avail yourself of this opportunity: first come, first served (as they say!).

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.

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8:00 a.i	m. Holy Eucharist	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-person	Miriam Cherry	Sides-persons	Campell Paine Coral Gordon	
Acolyte	Ravi Renjen	Acolyte	Bryan Elmes	
Eucharistic Assistants	Betty Renjen Simon Dickie	Eucharistic Assistants	Bryan Elmes Leigh Mackay	
Intercessor	Jenny Robertson	Intercessor	Simon Dickie	
Readers	Charles Tegner Simon Dickie	Readers	Leonie Bird Campell Paine	
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-persons	Melissa Carson Philip Jenkins	Sides-persons	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan	
Acolytes	Pam Felgate Andrew Murray	Acolytes	Judy Mallinson Vincent Amos	
Eucharistic Assistants	Geraldine Powell Pam Goodes	Eucharistic Assistants	Pam Goodes Judy Mallinson	
Intercessor	Meg Winter	Intercessor	Judy Wright	
Readers	Vincent Amos Riley Brooks	Readers	Andrea King Geraldine Powell	
Morning Tea	Sandra Morgan Ewan Morgan	Morning Tea	Robyn Whitehouse Suzanne Lennie	
Thursday 10	:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist	Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sides-person	tbc	Sides-persons	Judy Wright	
Reader	Pam Felgate	Reader	Judy Wright	



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://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.



Work on installing new pipes and a 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 further work). Thus, we still need help to meet the cost of this vital restoration and replacement work:



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 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.