St George's Anglican Church, Malvern

Christ the King

(Last Sunday after Pentecost)

22 November, 2026



26 November, 2023

8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

__Before__ the service __speak to God__; during the service, let __God__ speak to you; after the service speak to __one another__.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

We stand as the bell rings.
When the clergy are in place the service continues:

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All: **Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Celebrant welcomes the congregation, then this sentence of Scripture is read:

O shout to the LORD in triumph all the earth.
Serve the LORD with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

Psalm 100:1

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We say together:

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Confession and Absolution

Christ has entered heaven itself,
there to appear before God on our behalf.

Silence is kept.

Let us therefore draw near in full assurance of faith,
and confess our sins to the God of grace.

Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces Absolution, and the people respond

Amen.

We say together:

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Let us pray.

The people pray silently, and then the Celebrant 'collects' the silent prayer:

God of power and love,
who raised your Son Jesus from death to life,
resplendent in glory to rule over all creation:
free the world to rejoice in his peace,
to glory in his justice, and to live in his love.
Unite the human race in Jesus Christ your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel:

For thus says the LORD God: I myself will search for my sheep,
and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.
I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the LORD God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice….

Therefore, thus says the LORD God to them:
I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.
Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide,
I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged;
and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David,
and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd.
And I, the LORD, will be their God,
and my servant David shall be prince among them;
I, the LORD, have spoken.

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

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Response: We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know this: The LORD himself is God;
he himself has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. **R.**

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go to his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and call upon his name.

4 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures from age to age. **R.**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15–23

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards
all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you
as I remember you in my prayers.
I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,
may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him,
so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened,
you may know what is the hope to which he has called you,
what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,
and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe,
according to the working of his great power.
God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead
and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,
far above all rule and authority and power and dominion,
and above every name that is named,
not only in this age but also in the age to come.
And he has put all things under his feet
and has made him the head over all things for the church,
which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

All stand

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31–46

Alleluia, alleluia!

You, Christ, are the King of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him,
then he will sit on the throne of his glory.
All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people
one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats,
and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand,
"Come, you that are blessed by my Father,
inherit the kingdom prepared for you
from the foundation of the world;
for I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,
I was a stranger and you welcomed me,
I was naked and you gave me clothing,
I was sick and you took care of me,
I was in prison and you visited me."

Then the righteous will answer him,
"Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food,
or thirsty and gave you something to drink?
And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you,
or naked and gave you clothing?
And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?"
And the king will answer them,
"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are
members of my family, you did it to me."

Then he will say to those at his left hand,
"You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared
for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food,
I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger
and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing,
sick and in prison and you did not visit me."

Then they also will answer,
"Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger
or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?"

Then he will answer them,
"Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."
And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

For the gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A sermon is preached.

After the sermon, silence is kept.

THE NICENE CREED

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

All stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father [and the Son],
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church
We pray for The Church of England; Diocese of Tasmania; Episcopal Area of Nunawading; Archdeaconry of Box Hill; Whitehorse Deanery; and Tintern Grammar School.

For all in need
May all who are in trouble, in need or sickness find peace and refreshment in you.
We pray for: Alison; Ann; Dennis; Gina; Jenny; Jon; Nicole; Ray; Rebecca; Richard; Sarah; Susan; Venetia and those we name before you in the silence of our hearts.

For the Faithful Departed:

We remember those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Nina Lucy Benson; Norman Coles; Patricia Crowl; Patrick William Grutzner; Marjorie Hagerty; Marilyn Margaret Lannan; Marjorie (Alison) Pope; Peter Adrian Ringersma; Richard Sexton; Helen Trumble; Emily Whitbourne; and Walter Yencken.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The people's gifts are brought forward, and the elements placed on the altar.

The Celebrant offers prayers, to which the people respond:

Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings to your glory,
And for the service of your Kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Celebrant then begins the Great Thanksgiving Prayer:

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues the prayer until:

Therefore with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues the prayer until:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant concludes the prayer:

Receive our praises, Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Silence is kept

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

As the Celebrant breaks the bread, the following is said:

As this broken bread was once many grains
which have been gathered together and made one bread.
So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom.

We say:

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The people and ministers receive the sacrament.

After Communion, silence is kept.

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

A prayer is offered by the Celebrant:

God of glory
you sent your Son Jesus Christ into the world
to preach the gospel of the kingdom.
Strengthen us who share this meal to continue his mission
by living the good news we proclaim.

Father,
we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.

Notices are given

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant pronounces a blessing:

Christ our exalted King pour upon you his abundant gifts
and bring you to reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: ADVENT SUNDAY

YEAR B (Year of Mark) begins.

Isaiah 64:1–9 Psalm 80:1–7, 17–19
1 Corinthians 1:1–9 Mark 13:24–37



NOTICES

The Victorian Electoral Commission has hired the Parish Hall **until December 6th for this year's state election**. During this time, there will be no access to the kitchen, the hall or the storage room opposite the Assistant Curate's office. Thank you for your patience and forbearance during this period. Morning Tea on Sundays will be held in the Vicarage during this time.

APBA Calendars and 2027 Lectionaries are available for collection. Please contact the office to collect your orders and pay if you have yet to do so.

The Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project collection is on **today.** BASP do wonderful work in assisting those in need and push ahead against 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.

Collection for St Alban's Food Relief Program is also today. We shall be collecting again on **Sunday 6th December** for the final collection for this year. Thank you for your generosity, there is a thank you message on the board from Benita and the Parish.

We will have refreshments in the Vicarage after the 10:00 a.m. service to celebrate **Callum's first eucharist as priest**. We would greatly appreciate if you can assist by bringing cakes, sandwiches, and snacks for the occasion.

If you wish to contribute to a gift from the Parish for Callum to mark this milestone, please place cash in one of the envelopes provided this morning, or use that envelope to write how much you have donated (and the date) via the Tap and Go machine.

Book club will meet **tomorrow** in the North room at 2.00 p.m. We will discuss the book *Cherrywood* by Jock Serong. This will also be the final book club of the year and the Christmas Lunch. All welcome, contact Sandra Morgan 0448 884 306.

Spiritual Cafe - Tuesday 24 November - Our guest speakers are **Liz Tudor AM**, BVSc, PhD, Professor in the School of Veterinary Science., University of Melbourne. Founder of Waldhep (Western Arnhem Land Dog Health Program), and Founder and Board Chair of Melbourne Indigenous Transition School (MITS).
And her husband **Rick Tudor AM,** MSc, DipEd. School teacher and former Principal of Trinty Grammar. Board member of four Independent Schools, Board member and Co-founder of MITS and Board Chair of The Science Schools Foundation.
Their topic is Animal welfare leading to educational opportunity in Indigenous communities. Join us for dinner at Giorgio's, 1235 High St Armadale (enter Glenferrie Rd) at 6.30pm followed by the speaker at 7.30pm. For bookings, please email: office@stgeorgesmalvern.org or call 9822 3030 (Option 2).

A video will be shown as part of their presentation. To pay for the cost to hire the projector and screen for this video, participants are invited to contribute $10 a head on the night.
Election Day Cake Stall, Saturday 28th November! We will be selling cakes, slices, jams, crafts, goods and bric-a-brac items. We would be so grateful for donations to be delivered on the day to the stall. For further information please speak to Robin Barrett.

Election Day Democracy Sausage Sizzle, Saturday 28th November!
We will also need volunteers to barbecue sausages, perfectly caramelise onions and work the stall. For further information please speak to Len Whitehouse.

The Church Wardens provide official notice that the **Annual Meeting** of the parish of St George, Malvern, will occur on **Sunday, November 29**, following a **combined morning eucharist at 9:30 a.m.**

To that end:
- Please view from today the revised Electoral Roll
- Please find forms to nominate people to serve, for the coming year, as:
  Church Warden (2 to be elected; 1 appointed by the Vicar)
  Member of Parish Council (4 to be elected; 2 to be appointed by the Vicar)
  Member of the Parish Nominations Committee (one female and one male to be elected; one other to be appointed from their number by the Churchwardens)

Please continue to pray about this matter and consider if God might be calling ***you*** to serve the parish in this way.

Please contact Sandra Morgan on 0448 884 306 to assist with refreshments after the Annual Meeting.

Sunday, November 29th is also the **last day for Adrian Chong,** our Parish Administrator. Adrian has been with St George's for almost 4 years and leaves us to commence full-time study.

Christmas concert with Stonnington City Brass will occur on 13 December at 3:00 p.m. Save the Date! More details to follow.

Roster for today CHRIST THE KING – THE REIGN OF CHRIST 22 November 2026		Roster for next Sunday FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 29 November 2026	
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		 **ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD AFTER THE 9:30 A.M. COMBINED EUCHARIST SERVICE**	
Sides-person	Campbell Paine		
Acolyte	Jenny Weller Newton		
Eucharistic Assistant	Malcolm Tadgell		
Intercessor	Leonie Bird		
Readers	Campbell Paine Miriam Cherry		
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		**9:30 a.m. Combined Holy Eucharist**	
Sides-persons	Tim Lennie Suzanne Lennie Philip Jenkins	Sides-persons	Grant Rowlands Melissa Carson
Acolytes	Lyn Beaumont Mark Haynes	Acolytes	Malcolm Tadgell Judy Mallinson
Eucharistic Assistant	Ewan Morgan	Eucharistic AssistantS	Helen Baddeley Betty Renjen
Intercessor	Jenny McPherson	Intercessor	Jenny Robertson
Readers	Andrea King David Powell	Readers	Hamish Tadgell Muriel Porter
Morning Tea	*In The Vicarage until December 13*	Morning Tea	*In The Vicarage until December 13*
Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist		**Thursday 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist**	
Sides-person	Andrea King	Sides-person	Jenny Robertson
Reader	Andrea King	Reader	Jenny Robertson

Of your charity, please continue to pray for those in long term need or sickness: His Majesty the King; Geoff; Ivan; Jan; Jane; Liza; Sarah; and Simon.

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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: land which was taken, not ceded.
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.