

Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta

Parochial District of Wangaratta West & The Warbys THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (OS 16)

21st July, 2024—Sung Eucharist 9.30 a.m.

Hymn: Tune Lux Eoi or Hyfrydol.

- 1. Church of God, elect and glorious, holy nation, chosen race; called as God's own special people, royal priests and heirs of grace: know the purpose of your calling, show to all his mighty deeds; tell of love which knows no limits, grace which meets all human needs.
- 2. God has called you out of darkness into his most marvellous light; brought his truth to life within you, turned your blindness into sight. Let your light so shine around you that God's name is glorified; and all find fresh hope and purpose in Christ Jesus crucified.
- 3. Once you were an alien people, strangers to God's heart of love; but he brought you home in mercy, citizens of heaven above.

 Let his love flow out to others, let them feel a Father's care; that they too may know his welcome and his countless blessings share.
- 4. Church of God, elect and holy, be the people he intends; strong in faith and swift to answer each command your master sends: royal priests, fulfil your calling through your sacrifice and prayer; give your lives in joyful service sing his praise, his love declare.

The Welcome & Greeting

We meet in the name of God: Father. Son and Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sentence

As he went ashore, Jesus saw a great crowd; and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Mark 6.34.

Prayer of Preparation

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.

The Two Great Commandments

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Kyrie (if sung, three times each)

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

Some moments of silence

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.

Absolution

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

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.

The Collect

Let us pray

Eternal God, author of our life and end of our pilgrimage: guide us by your word and Spirit amid all perils and temptations, that we may not wander from your way, but may run our course in safety until we come to our eternal rest in you; through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Second Book of Samuel [7. 1–14a]

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.'

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David:

Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.

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

Psalm 89. 21-25, 28-30, 36-38

- 'I have found my servant David: and anointed him with my holy oil.
- 'My hand shall uphold him: and my arm shall strengthen him.
- 'No enemy shall deceive him: nor shall the wicked hurt him.
- 'I will crush his adversaries before him: and strike down those that hate him.
- 'My faithfulness and loving-kindness shall be with him: and through my name his head shall be lifted high.
- 'I will make him my first-born son: and highest among the kings of the earth.
- 'I will ever maintain my loving-kindness toward him: and my covenant with him shall stand firm.

'I will establish his line for ever: and his throne like the days of heaven.

'Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness: I will not prove false to David.

'His posterity shall endure for ever: and his throne be as the sun before me;

'Like the moon that is established for ever: and stands in the heavens for evermore.'

The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians [2. 11-22]

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace: in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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

Gradual Hymn: Tune, Quedgeley.

1. Come, Lord, to our souls come down, through the gospel speaking; let your words, your cross and crown, lighten all our seeking.

- 2. Drive out darkness from the heart, banish pride and blindness; plant in every inward part truthfulness and kindness.
- 3. Eyes be open, spirits stirred, minds new truth receiving; make us, Lord, by your own word, more and more believing.

Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902-1983). 76.76

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark [6. 30-34, 53-56]

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

For the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Time of silence for reflection

Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.

Accept our prayers in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who taught us 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 forever. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: AHB 519. Tune, Repton.

- 1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways!
 Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.
 In deeper reverence, praise.
- 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.

 Rise up and follow thee.
- 3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
 O calm of hills above,
 where Jesus knelt to share with thee
 the silence of eternity,
 interpreted by love!
 Interpreted by love!
- 4. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

 The beauty of thy peace.
- 5. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
 Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
 Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!
 O still, small voice of calm!

John Whittier 1807-92

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

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

Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

It is indeed right and good, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our great high priest.

He offered himself to you as the Lamb without blemish, the acceptable gift that gives you perfect praise. At the Last Supper, seated with his apostles, he left this memorial of his passion to bring us its saving power until the end of time. In this great sacrament you feed your people and strengthen them in holiness, so that throughout the world the human family may be enlightened by one faith and drawn together in one communion of love.

We come to this foretaste of your heavenly banquet to be transformed by your grace and restored in the image and likeness of the risen Christ.

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise; we too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end:

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.

Holy God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that we who eat and drink them in obedience to our Saviour Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, may be partakers of his body and blood, and be made one with him and with each other in peace and love. ❖

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.' Do this in remembrance of me.' **

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' **

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament, renew us by your Spirit that we may be united in the body of your Son and serve you as a royal priesthood in the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The Invitation to Communion is given

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.

THESENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Reflection Hymn: AHB 521/TiS 600.Tune, North Coates.

- 1. O my Saviour, lifted from the earth for me, draw me, in your mercy, at your side to be.
- 2. Lift my earth-bound longings, fix them, Lord, above; draw me with the magnet of your mighty love.
- 3. Lord, your arms are stretching ever far and wide to enfold your children to your loving side.
- 4. And I come, Lord Jesus: dare I turn away? No, your love has conquered, and I come today.
- 5. Bringing all my burdens, sorrow, sin and care, at your feet I lay them, and I leave them there.

William Walsham How 1823-97 alt.

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this sacrament of your Son's body and blood worship you in all we do, proclaim your word to all the world, and live in the power of your Spirit.

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit. Amen.

Notices

Hymn—AHB 16 / TiS 10. Tune, Wiltshire.

- The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want. 1. He makes me down to lie in pastures green, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.
- My soul he doth restore again: 2. and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, ev'n for his own name's sake.
- 'Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, 3. vet will I fear none ill: for thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
- 4 My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.
- Goodness and mercy all my life 5. shall surely follow me: and in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

Scottish Psalter 1650

The Blessing & The Dismissal

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God. and of his Son. Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almightv. the Father, 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.