

Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta

Parochial District of Wangaratta West & The Warbys THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (OS 17)

28th July, 2024—Sung Eucharist 9.30 a.m. & 11.00 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

'I am the living bread that came down from heaven,' says the Lord. '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.'

John 6.51.

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

Gracious God.

you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth: grant that, believing in the one whom you have sent. we may know him to be the true bread of heaven and the food of eternal life. Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit

be glory and honour for ever and ever. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Second Book of Samuel [11. 1-15]

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him: they rayaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.'

So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.'

So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house', David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' Uriah said to David. 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

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

Psalm 14

Side A = plain. Side B = italics Altogether = bold

Fools have said in their hearts 'There is no God': they have all become vile and abominable in their doings, there is not one that does good.

The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of Adam: to see if there were any who would act wisely and seek after God.

But they have all turned out of the way, they have all alike become corrupt: there is none that does good, no not one. Are all the evildoers devoid of understanding: who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not pray to the Lord?

They shall be struck with terror: for God is with the company of the righteous.

Though they frustrate the poor in their hopes: surely the Lord is their refuge.

O that deliverance for Israel might come forth from Zion: when the Lord turns again the fortunes of his people, then shall Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.

The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians [3. 14-21]

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Gradual Hymn: AHB 334/TiS 429. Tune, Bread of Life (4 verses).

- Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea; beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord, my spirit longs for you, O living Word.
- 2. Bless your own truth, dear Lord, to me, to me as when you blessed the bread by Galilee; then shall all bondage cease, all shackles fall, and I shall find my peace, my all in all.
- 3. You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your holy word the truth that rescues me.

Give me to eat and live with you above; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

 O send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me, that he may touch my eyes and make me see.
 Show me the truth made plain within your Word, for in your book revealed I see you, Lord.

> Vv1-2 Mary Artemisia Lathbury (1841–1913) alt. vv 3-4 Alexander Groves (1842-1909)

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John [6. 1-21] Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

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.

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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.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

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 478/TiS 569. Tune, Cwm Rhondda.

- 1. Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand: bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.
- 2. Open now the crystal fountain whence the living waters flow: let the fiery, cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

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.' \(\mathbb{P} \)

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 29/TiS 25. Tune, Martyrdom.

- As pants the hart for cooling streams in parched and barren ways, so longs my soul for you, O God, and your refreshing grace.
- For you my God, the living God, my thirsting soul will pine: O when shall I behold your face, your majesty divine?
- 3. God of my strength, my tears have been by day and night my food; the mockers taunt continually and say: 'Where is your God?'
- 4. Why restless, why cast down, my soul? Hope still, and you shall sing the praise of him who is your God, your health's eternal spring.

Nahum Tate 1652–1715 and Nicholas Brady 1659–1726 alt.

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 almighty, 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.