

## **Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta**

# Parochial District of Wangaratta West & The Warbys THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (OS 27)

6th October, 2024—Eucharist 9.30 a.m.

Hymn: AHB 86 / TiS 127. Tune, Grosser Gott.

- Holy God, we praise your name, Lord of all, we bow before you; all on earth your power proclaim, all in heaven above adore you; boundless is your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.
- 2. Hear the loud celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with sweet accord: 'Holy, holy, holy, Lord!'
- 3. Holy Father, holy Son, holy Spirit, three we name you, while in essence only one, undivided God we claim you, and adoring bend the knee, while we own the mystery.
- 4. King of glory, God's own Son, humbly our poor nature sharing, now to save us you have come, all our sin and sorrow bearing; you have brought us saving grace, freed from guilt our sinful race.
- 5. Spare your people, Lord, we pray, by a thousand snares surrounded; keep us free from sin today, never let us be confounded: grant us with your saints a place; all our trust is in your grace.

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## The Welcome & Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

#### Sentence

Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.

Mark 10.15

#### This Prayer of Preparation may be said.

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.

#### Introduction to Confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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

#### Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Hymn of Praise (Gloria in excelsis). tune, The Ashgrove

 To God be the glory, all glory in the highest and peace to his people who dwell here below, Our heav'nly Father, our Lord, and our sov'reign, to you, the Almighty, our praises bestow.
 We worship and adore you, we bow here before you with grateful thanksgiving, our song let us raise. All glory and honour and glad adoration to God in the highest, hosanna and praise. 2. Lord Jesus, the only begotten of the Father we praise and we bless you, the Son and the Lamb. The sin of the world you have taken upon you, have mercy upon us, the Great I AM. For holy, you meet us, yet lowly you greet us, the Lord in the highest, the Holy One. All glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit, From ages everlasting, the Three in One.

The English Folk Song Mass-Malcolm Archer

#### The Collect

Let us pray

O God,

your Son has taught us

that we must receive your sovereign rule like a little child: help us to turn to you in faith and simplicity of heart, so that we may receive your blessing and enter the kingdom your Son has promised; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

## A reading from the book Job [1.1 + 2.1-10]

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, 'Where have you come from?' Satan answered the Lord, 'From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason.' Then Satan answered the Lord, 'Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Very well, he is in your power: only spare his life.'

So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

Then his wife said to him, 'Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die.' But he said to her, 'You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?' In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

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

#### Psalm 26

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

Give judgement for me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity: I have trusted in the Lord and not wavered.

Put me to the test, O Lord, and prove me: *try my mind and my heart.* 

For your steadfast love has been ever before my eyes: and I have walked in your truth.

I have not sat with deceivers: nor consorted with the hypocrites;

I hate the assembly of the wicked: I will not sit with the ungodly.

I wash my hands in innocence, O Lord: that I may go about your altar,

And lift up the voice of thanksgiving: to tell of all your marvellous works.

Lord, I love the house of your habitation: and the place where your glory dwells.

Do not sweep me away with sinners: nor my life with those that thirst for blood,

In whose hand is abomination: and their right hand is full of bribes.

As for me, I walk in my integrity: ransom me and be favourable toward me.

My foot stands on an even path: I will bless the Lord in the great congregation.

## A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews [1. 1-4 + 2. 5-12]

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, 'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet.'

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

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

Gradual Hymn: AHB 166 / TiS 229 Tune, Jesus loves me.

 Jesus loves me, this I know, and the Bible tells me so; little ones to him belong, in his love we shall be strong.

> Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus loves me, this I know, as he loved so long ago, taking children on his knee, saying, 'Let them come to me.'

Yes, Jesus loves me ...

3. Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.

Yes, Jesus loves me ...

Anna Bartlett Warner 1820–1915 rewritten by David Rutherford McGuire 1929–71 alt. Words © Mrs Cherie McGuire

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark [10. 2-16]

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.'

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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 all people and for the Church throughout the world.

The minister says

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the church. For all peoples. For our community. For those in need Thanksgiving for the faithful departed

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord. **And may light perpetual shine upon them.** 

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 588. Tune, Horsley.

- 1. O Father, take in sign of love these gifts of bread and wine; with them we give our very selves, to be for ever thine.
- 2. These gifts another gift will be, thy Son in very deed, for us a willing victim made, the Lamb on whom we feed.
- 3. These are the gifts thy Son did bless the night before he died: by which he showed himself a priest and victim crucified.
- 4. He now has given us as his own his offering made to thee, his body broken, blood outpoured, for us on Calvary.
- 5. This bread his body will become, this wine his blood will be; our humble gifts will be the gift that is most dear to thee.
- 6. This perfect gift thou wilt restore to greatest and to least, to make all one in love and joy in thy communion-feast.

James Quinn 1919-

## Offertory Prayers

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.

All glory and honour, be yours now and always, mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

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/singing:

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

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

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood. 

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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 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.' 

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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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Renew us by your Holy Spirit unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

## Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. 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

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

### THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Reflection Hymn: TiS 522. Tune, Jackson (AHB 470/TiS 250).

- Christ is the heavenly food that gives to every famished soul new life and strength, new joy and hope, and faith to make them whole.
- We all are made for God alone, without him we are dead; no food suffices for the soul but Christ, the living bread.
- 3. Christ is the unity that binds in one the near and far; for we who share his life divine, his living body are:
- on earth, and in the realms beyond, one fellowship are we; and at his table we are knit in mystic unity.

Timothy Rees 1874–1939 Words by permission The Community of the Resurrection

Let us pray

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 537 / TiS 609. Tune, St Leonard's.

- May the mind of Christ my Saviour live in me from day to day, by his love and power controlling all I do and say.
- 2. May the word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour so that all may see I triumph only through his power.
- 3. May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.
- 4. May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; him exalting, self denying, this is victory.
- 5. May I run the race before me strong and brave to face the foe, looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.

Katie Barclay Wilkinson 1859-1928 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 the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.