

Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta

Parochial District of Wangaratta West & The Warbys TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (OS 30)

27th October, 2024

Eucharist 9.30 a.m.& 11.00 a.m.

Hymn: AHB 557 / TiS 626. Tune, Slane (2).

- Lord of creation, to you be all praise!
 Most mighty your working, most wondrous your ways!
 Your glory and might are beyond us to tell,
 and yet in the heart of the humble you dwell.
- 2. Lord of all power, I give you my will, in joyful obedience your tasks to fulfil. Your bondage is freedom; your service is song; and, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.
- 3. Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind: rich truth that surpasses our knowledge to find, what eye has not seen and what ear has not heard is taught by your Spirit and shines from your word.
- 4. Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart; I praise and adore you for all you impart, your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide, your presence to shield me, whatever betide.
- Lord of all being, I give you my all;
 if ever I leave you I stumble and fall;
 but, led in your service your word to obey,
 I'll walk in your freedom to the end of the way.

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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

The redeemed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.

This Prayer of Preparation may be said.

Come and worship the holy and glorious Trinity, as we pray together:

God of the feast, your Wisdom calls us, your Word teaches us and your love feeds us here. Give us grace to welcome one another as you have welcomed us in Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Introduction to Confession

We remember that the Lord Jesus died so that sins would be forgiven. Let us confess our sins to the God who knows us through and through.

silence

We ask for God's forgiveness, as we pray together:

Holy God, we have disobeyed your commandments, we have resisted your call, we have failed again and again to live in your generous love. We are sorry for all our sins, and ask you to forgive us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

God who has called you is faithful. Your sins are forgiven and your failures are forgotten. Live by the Spirit's transforming power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

1. 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,

you give light to the blind and comfort to the sorrowing, and in your Son you have given us a High Priest who has offered the true sacrifice for us and yet can sympathise with us in our weakness: hear the cry of your people and lead us home to our true country, where with your Son and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from the book Job [46. 1-6, 10-17]

Job answered the Lord:

'I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
"Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?" Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
"Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me." I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.'

¹⁰ And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

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

Psalm 34. 1-8

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

I will bless the Lord continually: his praise shall be always in my mouth.

Let my soul boast of the Lord: the humble shall hear it and rejoice.

O praise the Lord with me: let us exalt his name together.

For I sought the Lord's help and he answered: and he freed me from all my fears.

Look towards him and be bright with joy: your faces shall not be ashamed.

Here is a wretch who cried, and the Lord heard me: and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him: and delivers them in their need.

O taste and see that the Lord is good: happy are they that hide in him!

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews [7. 21-28]

This one became a priest with an oath because of the one who said to him,

"The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, 'You are a priest forever'"

accordingly Jesus has also become the guarantor of a better covenant. Furthermore, the former priests were many in number because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, but he holds his priesthood permanently because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God

through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests humans, who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

Gradual Hymn: TiS 472. Tune, Christe Sanctorum (1).

- 1. Father of mercy, God of consolation, look on your people, gathered here to praise you: pity our weakness, come in power to aid us, source of all blessing.
- 2. Son of the Father, Lord of all creation, come as our Saviour, Jesus, friend of sinners: grant us forgiveness, lift our downcast spirit, heal us and save us.
- 3. Joy-giving Spirit, be our light in darkness, come to befriend us, help us bear our burdens: give us true courage, breathe your peace around us, stay with us always.
- 4. God in three persons, Father, Son and Spirit, come to renew us, fill your church with glory: grant us your healing, pledge of resurrection, foretaste of heaven.

James Quinn 1919-

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark [10. 46-52] **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him,

'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

Sermon

Time of silence for reflection

Creed

Let us together affirm our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary. suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose from the dead: he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church. the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The priest says

We remember the Lord Jesus, and how he lived to help and heal the people who came to him in sickness, grief or trouble. So we come to him and pray for the world, for the Church, for ourselves and for each other.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The minister says

Lord of the nations,

Change hearts and habits, until the strong care for the weak, the rich care for the poor, the planet is treasured and tended, and peace and justice come in this and every land.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord of all faithful disciples,

Pour out your Spirit more and more to strengthen every one of us for mission. Encourage our bishops, priests and deacons, inspire our teachers, pastors and prophets, and renew us in faith and prayer.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord of love,

In our homes, families and workplaces, teach us affection and respect.
In our schools, hospitals and community groups, give pleasure in many talents and good teamwork shared. Let love grow in all our relationships.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord of life and peace,

Heal the sick and give peace to the dying. Comfort people in pain or in grief. Give tenderness and strength to those who carry heavy burdens of care for others. Be our wise guide in every decision we make.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord of the world to come,

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

We give you thanks for your image shining through their lives, for all the saints who have trusted you through the ages, and for your promise to bring us, with them, to resurrection life. Give us grace to grow in holiness to the end of our days.

The priest says

Lord, hear our prayers.

Use us by your grace so that the world is changed for good and you are known and loved as Lord of all, for ever and ever. 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 440 / TiS 519. Tune, Unde Et Memores or Song 1.

- 1. And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's hill, and having with us him who pleads above, we here present, we bring before you still that only offering perfect in your eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.
- 2. Look, Father, look on his anointed face, and only look on us as found in him; look not on our misusings of your grace, our prayer so halting, and our faith so dim: for now between our sins and their reward we set the passion of your Son our Lord.
- 3. And so we come; O draw us to your feet, most patient Saviour, who can love us still; and by this food, so awesome and so sweet, deliver us from every touch of ill; in your own service make us glad and free, and may we in your presence ever be.

William Bright 1824-1901 alt.

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

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.

With all our hearts we praise you, faithful God. In the beginning, you called light to shine in darkness, you made living things to grow and flourish and you created human beings to bear your image.

You chose us in love, guided us by your presence and blessed us with your holy law.

Yet we chose our own sinful ways.

We broke your commandments, persecuted your prophets, forgot your wisdom and, time after time, refused to answer your call.

So you spoke an eternal word in a human voice in Jesus of Nazareth, son of Mary, Son of God.

He called and people followed, leaving every other loyalty.

He set them free to praise your holy name.

But hatred and violence shouted Jesus down.

Betrayed and abandoned and nailed to a cross,

he laid down his life for the world he loved.

Then your love worked its greatest wonder in the grave.

On the third day you raised him up and turned our sorrow into joy.

So we praise you, holy God, with angels and archangels and your people everywhere:

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

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

On the night before he died, Jesus gathered with his friends to share a meal and wash their feet, teaching one last lesson of love.

He took bread and blessed it and broke it. He gave it to them and said: "Take this and eat it. This is my body." \blacksquare

Then he took a cup of wine and blessed it. He gave it to them and said: "Take this and drink it. This is my blood, sealing God's promise to forgive your sins. Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me."

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As we share these holy gifts, we remember the Lord Jesus for the love he taught us, the sacrifice he made for us and the hope he gives us.

In faith we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory.

And now, faithful God, send us your Spirit, to make us one body in Christ as we receive the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation, the body and the blood of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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Fill us with energy, courage and love and send us as your messengers to the world.

Now to you, most holy God, through Christ your Son and in the Spirit's power, we bring our worship and our songs of praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are 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: AHB 447 / TiS 525. Tune, Laus Deo or Stuttgart.

- 1. You we praise, high priest and victim, of our hearts the shepherd-king; living, dying, rising, saving: now let alleluias ring.
- 2. Here we see the mystery telling of your wondrous love for all; here in prayer and sacred symbol we your boundless love recall.
- 3. Here in adoration bending we receive the grace you give, join the angels' song unending, feed by faith on you, and live.
- 4. Praise to you, eternal Saviour, praises from the earth ascend; praises from the saints in heaven, alleluias without end.

William Robinson 1888-1963 alt.

Let us pray.

We thank you, God, for all the blessings of this table: for the life-giving story, the living bread and the wine of new creation.

Send us, we pray, in the strength of this meal, to tell the Good News to neighbours and strangers with creative words and compassionate service, walking the way to Christ. Amen.

Notices

Hymn—AHB 40 / TiS 119. Tune, London New or Montrose.

- I sing the almighty power of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
- 2. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.
- 3. I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food; he formed the creatures with his word, and then pronounced them good.
- 4. There's not a plant or flower below but makes your glories known; and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne.
- All creatures, numerous as they be, are subject to your care; there's not a place where we can flee but God is present there.
- 6. God's hand is my perpetual guard, he guides me with his eye; why should I, then, forget the Lord, who is for ever nigh?

Isaac Watts 1674-1748 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.