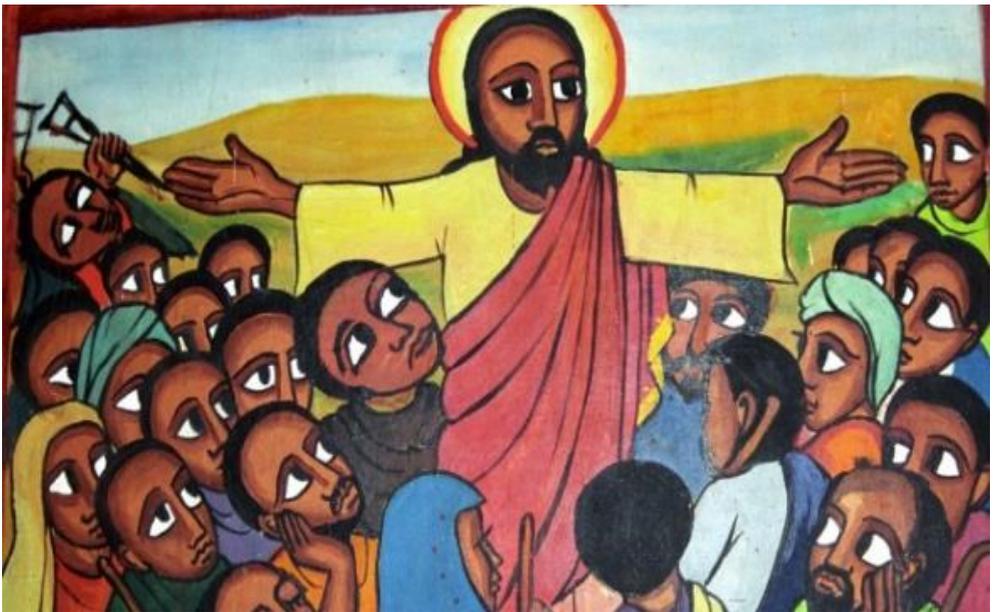


THE Anglican Parish of Woodend-Trentham
St George's, Trentham 9.00am | St Mary's, Woodend 11.00am



17th February 2019 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

We acknowledge the Jaara Jaara people,
of the Woi wurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung language groups,
the custodians of this land where we gather.
We pay our respects to elders past and present and pray for reconciliation.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Hymn – 560 All My Hope on God

Blessed are you when people hate you on account of the Son of man. Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. *Luke 6.23*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Prayer of preparation (page 119 of the prayer book)

Almighty God...

The Shema (page 120 of the prayer book)

Hear, O Israel....

The Confession and absolution (page 120 of the prayer book)

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations. Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith,

Merciful God...

The Gloria (page 121 of the prayer book)

Glory to God in the highest...

Let us pray

Righteous God,
you challenge the powers that rule this world
and you show favour to the oppressed:
instil in us a true sense of justice,
that we may discern the signs of your kingdom
and strive for right to prevail;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah chapter 17 verses 5 to 10

Thus says the LORD:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.
They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?
I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

For the word of the Lord **thanks be to God**

*A reading from the first letter from Paul to the Corinthians chapter 15
verses 12 to 20*

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

For the word of the Lord **thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn – 1 Happy Are They

Alleluia Alleluia

Blessed are we who hear your words

Alleluia

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke chapter 6 beginning at the 17th verse

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.
“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors
did to the false prophets.

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

The Sermon

The affirmation of faith (page 123 of the prayer book)

The Prayers of the People

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 – 288 Not for the Powerful

God our sustainer,
receive the gifts we bring before you,
and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger,
and the wine that quenches all thirst,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The preface to the Thanksgiving Prayer is on page 128

....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 Lord's name
Hosanna in the Highest**

With our hearts set on the kingdom and our hands open to serve,
we pray as Jesus taught us....

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is 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 Sending out of God's people

May we who have been your guests
at this communion
reveal your life to all the world.

May we be no longer your servants,
but know your will,
and be your friends.

You give us your life, may we be worthy of it;
you give us yourself, may we embody you.

The Notices

Final Hymn – 690 Beauty For Brokenness

The Blessing and Dismissal

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Creator, 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.

****some thoughts from Rev. Mel*

Today is the Annual General Meeting of our parish.

As Christians we have things that we are called to do: love and serve the Lord and each other, care for creation, look out for those who are most vulnerable and in need...to name just a few!

I think that as a parish we do these things very well and our AGM provides us an opportunity to reflect on what we have done and what is still to be done so that the mission of the church is fulfilled.

The AGM is also a good time to think about our stewardship here in this parish with it's two beautiful centres.

To be trusted with the task, as each member of the parish is, to care for these buildings so that generations after us will have a place to come and pray together, sing together, and share the great feast together, is an awesome thing and I know that you all take that very seriously. It shows in the number of volunteers we have to do those odd jobs and those regular jobs around the churches.

Our Parish Council is about to begin it's third year in the cycle, and the care and time that they put in is significant so please do this week pray for your Parish Council, and continue to pray for them for the coming year. It is not always an easy job – sometimes tough decisions have to be made – but your Parish Council is diligent and caring about the task that they have taken on.

I thank God for you all as we begin this new Parish year together.

Peace, Mel

Pew Bulletin

Safe Church

If you attended a safe church workshop three years ago then it's time for you to attend a refresher.

Lucky for us on March 30 there will be a refresher workshop at Woodend.

If you haven't done a workshop at all and you think you need to please speak to Reverend Mel. There are two workshops coming up:

Saturday 6 April at Holy Trinity, Flora Hill

Saturday 15 June at Holy Trinity, Flora Hill

Please register via the website www.bendigoanglican.org.au

The cost of the refresher workshop is \$20 and the full workshop is \$35 and the parish will reimburse you if you require.

Parish AGM – Today at 12.15 in the Norma Richardson Hall!

Be there or be square 😊

Let's cheer....HARD!

Congratulations to Charles Sherlock on his great performance on Hard Quiz on Wednesday night. Just pipped at the post Charles but we were all cheering you on.

Morning tea next week at St Mary's.

The wedding of Samantha and Jason will take place at 1pm on Sunday and they will be using the hall for their reception venue so we'll have to find an alternative place to gather after church next week.

Music Weekend

Robyn is once again organizing a music weekend for the first weekend in March. If you're interested in attending please get in touch with Robyn Leader.

News from the Guilds:

St Mary's Guild – Knit and Natter is on Wednesday from 11am until 2pm in the hall.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy birthday to Judy Shultz this week

Years Mind and those who have died recently

This week we remember Maria White, Marjorie Millner, Harold Richardson, Les Harrison, and Daphne Howe

Intercessions – our prayers are asked for:

Bill, Sam, Wendy, Jeanette, Carmela, Josephine, Jim, Judy and John, Hayden, Sandra, Sheryl and Roger, Trevor, Jannyse, Kristina and Jon, Judy, Ron, Fletcher, Rosie, Russell, and Father Bill Howarth.

We pray for Kim and Enver who will be married at St Mary's on February 23rd, and for Samantha and Jason who will be married at St Mary's on February 24th.

Readings for next week

Genesis 45.3-11,15

Psalm 37.1-11, 40-41

1 Corinthians 15.35-50

Luke 6.27-38

Mission and Parish Giving

If you would like to participate in the direct debit offering option our account details are:

BSB 633 000

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BASIC WORDS OF THE BIBLE



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