

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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21st April 2024



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please all stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN TIS 392

SIGN OF THE CROSS

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you!**

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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 ELEISON

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (THE HYMN OF PRAISE)

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 PRAYER OF THE DAY / COLLECT

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Jesus, good shepherd of the sheep, by whom the lost are sought and guided into the fold: feed us and we shall be satisfied, heal us and we shall be whole, and lead us that we may be with you, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PRAYER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD 圣言礼仪

Please be seated for the reading

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 4:5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, ‘By what power or by what name did you do this?’ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, ‘Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

“the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.”

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.’

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

PSALM 23 (TiS 659)

SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of St John, 3:16-24.

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus

Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

GRADUAL HYMN TIS 444 (VS 1-3)

THE GOSPEL (Please stand)

Alleluia, **Alleluia.**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. (*cf John 10:14*)

Alleluia.

The Lord be with you! **And also with you!**

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John 10:11-18.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

GRADUAL HYMN TIS 444 (VS 3-4)

SERMON

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please stand as we affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed, each in our preferred language.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *please kneel/sit*

Knowing that we are loved and sustained by Jesus, the Good Shepherd, let us entrust all of our needs to his gracious care.

(At the end of each section) Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Conclude the prayer with:

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.

PRAYER OF APPROACH

[Let us pray.]

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

This Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Christ is our Good Shepherd.

Silence.

Let us pause to reflect on his unfailing love for us, and how he wants us to love one another.

Lord Jesus, with you as our shepherd, there is nothing we shall want.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ Jesus, even if we should walk in the valley of darkness, we will fear no evil, because you are with us.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, in your own house we will dwell for ever and ever.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

THE PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. *cf John 20.19*

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please all stand

OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 239

The offering is collected during the hymn. The gifts of the people, Bread and Wine and collection of money, are brought to the Lord's Table.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessèd 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 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (Easter II)

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 thanks and praise.**
All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,

..... (APBA P154-155)

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.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**
Merciful God, we thank you

..... (APBA P128-129)

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.’

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

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

..... (APBA P129)

in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray, each in our preferred language:

**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.

BREAKING THE CONSECRATED BREAD

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.

AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)

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 邀请

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

COMMUNION

God invites everyone to gather around his table. We extend an invitation to all baptised Christians to come forward and receive this Holy Sacrament. Others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing by crossing arms over the chest.

COMMUNION HYMN 395

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

May Christ the good shepherd enfold you with love, fill you with peace and lead you in hope, to the end of your days; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

DISMISSAL HYMN TIS 245 (VS 1,5,6)

and Highland (Song of Ascent)

O how high would I climb mountains
If the mountains were where You hide
O how far I'll scale the valleys
If You graced the other side

O how long have I chased rivers
From lowly seas to where they rise
Against the rush of grace of grace descending
From the source of its supply

*For in the highlands and the heartaches
You're neither more or less inclined
I would search and stop at nothing
You're just not that hard to find*

O how far beneath Your glory
Does your kindness extend the path
From where Your feet rest on the sunrise
To where You sweep the sinner's past

O how fast would You come running
If just to shadow me through the night
Trace my steps through all my failures
And walk me out the other side

*For who could dare ascend that mountain
That valleyed hill called Calvary
But for The One I call Good Shepherd
Who like a Lamb was slain for me*

**Whatever I walk through
Wherever I am
Your Name can move mountains wherever I stand
If ever I walk through the valley of death
I'll sing through the shadows my song of ascent (x2)**

*And from the gravest of all valleys
Comes the pasture we call grace
A mighty river flowing upwards
From a deep but empty grave.*

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Parish Link

Notices & Information

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Years Mind

Jean Senior, Mary Lines, Nancy Flowers, Doug Mitchell, and Kathleen Anthonisz, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Daily Readings

Monday	Acts 11.1-18	Ps 42.1-5	John 10.1-10
Tuesday	Acts 11.19-26	Ps 87	John 10.22-30
Wednesday	Acts 12.24-13.5	Ps 67	John 12.44-50
Thursday	Acts 13.13-25	Ps 89.19-25	John 13.16-20
Friday	Acts 13.26-11	Ps 2.6-11	John 14.1-6
Saturday	Acts 13.44-52	Ps 98.1-4	John 14.7-14

Prayer Points

The Church: St Luke's Melbourne South (Jonathan Cox, Michele Moorhouse); The Diocese of Perth (Abp Kay Goldsworthy, David Bassett, Hans Christiansen, Kate Wilmont, Clergy & People); Mothers' Union Australia, Diocese of Melbourne (Elaine Longford, President); Pastoral services: The Langwarrin-Pearcedale Anglican Church (Bp Paul Barker); St John's Sorrento (Bp Paul Barker); St Dunstan's Camberwell (Abp Philip Freier); St Andrew's Aberfeldie (Abp Philip Freier); St George's Malvern – (Bp Genieve Blackwell); All Saints' Greensborough (Bp Brad Billings).

The Parish: Give thanks for our Christian fellowship and community.

The World: Pray for the leaders of Israel and Gaza to find a way to peace.

The Nation: Pray for the mentally ill, their friends and families.

Prayer of the Week

God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ABM Pew Reflections

As we follow Jesus, we go with him to the synagogue to hear his teaching as he reveals wisdom and authority. We see Jesus answer cries to be made whole as

unclean spirits depart obeying the Holy One of God. We walk with Jesus and continue to grow in knowledge that we may speak the words of God. • Lord, help us to move beyond words to actions. Amen. • Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in South Sudan.

MISSION ACTION PLAN (MAP)

There will be a meeting of those interested in developing a new MAP in the St Peter's Undercroft on **Saturday, April 27 at 2.00pm.**

THE SIXTH ROBIN SHARWOOD LECTURE by Ms Mandy Tibbey, barrister.

Church Law and Anti-Discrimination Law: do these need to collide?

Date: Wednesday 15 May 2024 **Time:** 7.30pm, followed by light refreshments

Location: The Craig Auditorium, Gateway Building, Trinity College
100 Royal Parade, Parkville VIC 3052. **Cost:** Free, but bookings are essential.

RSVP: By 5pm, Friday 10 May 2024 [Click here to RSVP](#)

Enquiries: Briony O'Halloran | 03 8341 0216 events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au

ORGAN RECITALS

In 2024, St Andrew's, Brighton presents a special series of three organ recitals to celebrate the completion of major works on the 1964 War Memorial Grand Organ. The first concert is **John O'Donnell, this Sunday 21 April at 3 pm**

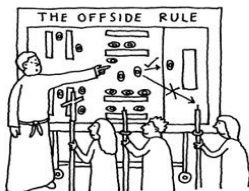
TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

FOOTBALL

LESSONS THE CHURCH COULD LEARN



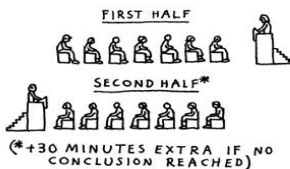
TRY TO AVOID OWN GOALS



IT IS IMPORTANT TO EXPLAIN THE REGULATIONS



IT IS ACCEPTABLE TO EXAGGERATE INJURIES



CHANGING ENDS AT HALF TIME ADDS VARIETY



PUNDITS DON'T ALWAYS KNOW WHAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT



WEARING THE KIT



IT IS GOOD TO DEMONSTRATE ENTHUSIASM

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The pastor of a tiny country church had been having trouble with stewardship and tithes and offerings. One Sunday he announced, "Now, before we receive the offering, I would like to request that the person who stole the eggs from Widow Jones's chicken coop please refrain from giving any money to the Lord. God doesn't want money from a thieving sinner."

The offering plate was passed, and for the first time in months everybody gave.

OUR INFORMATION

FIRST AID KIT – Located in the office and kitchen.

TOILETS – Located in the Church Hall and in the church building through the church doors front right.

WHEELCHAIR – Located near the toilet for the disabled upstairs.

FIRE & EMERGENCY – Please make yourself aware of the nearest escape route in the event of an emergency or fire.

OH&S – Please ensure that any incidents/accidents are reported to the Vicar or Wardens and incident report completed.

Mission Statement

Sharing the Good News
 Telling the story afresh
 Expressing God's love
 Serving the community
 Nurturing and sharing faith
 Equipping to serve

Vision

To ensure that there continues to be a living, committed, communal Anglican presence of liturgical celebration, nurture and outreach in Box Hill.

ROSTER	Today 21.04.24	Next week 28.04.24
SIDESPEOPLE	Rosemary S, Sandra L	Martin F, Noel W
SERVERS	Michele M, Judy J, <i>Garry M</i>	Elizabeth B, Michele M, <i>Garry M</i>
READERS	Lazarus N, Linda B	Jan G, Charles B
INTERCESSOR	Michele M	Keith W
COUNTING	Elizabeth B, Hilary B	Rob K, Lyn B
MORNING TEA	Cecilia , Margaret R, Jan G, Jenny F	Barbara P , Dianne A, Keith W

REPORTING CHILD ABUSE

All child safety concerns must be reported to Kooyoora Professional Standards
 1800 135 246

Week Ahead

SUNDAY 21.04.24

10.30am Combined congregation service
1.00pm Badminton, *hall*

MONDAY 22.04.24

Vicar's day off
6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon *Undercroft*
6.30-8.30pm Celestial Tai Chi, *hall*

TUES 23.04.23

9.00am-1.00pm Office open
9.00 onwards Parish People@Work
6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing

WED 24.04.24

9.30-11.30am Playgroup, *Kinder*
10.30am Eucharist
10.00-11.30am Tai Chi, *hall*
8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 25.04.24

Rev'd Esther's day off
6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

FRI 26.04.2

8.00am-1.00pm Office open
7.30pm Chinese prayer
7.30pm Mandarin Bible Study, *Vicarage*

SAT 27.04.24

10.00am Bible Study *office*
10.30am-1.30pm Sat School *U'croft/hall*
2.00pm MAP meeting, *Undercroft*
2.00-5.30pm Flute Guild concert, *church*

SUN 28.04.24

8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist
11.30am Mandarin service
1.00pm Badminton, *hall*
2.00pm Dinka service

For the Diary

April 27

Mission Action Plan meeting, 2.00pm, U'croft

Flute Guild concert, 2.00-5.30pm *church*

May 5

Interment of the ashes of Sophia Errey
directly after 9.30am Sunday service

May 18

10.30am Third Sunday of the month
combined service

June 11

Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, U'croft

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as the traditional custodians of this land.