

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10TH DECEMBER 2017

ST PAUL'S: 8AM & 10AM

ST DAVID'S: 8.30AM



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MANUKA
DIOCESE OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN

WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S AND ST DAVID'S CHURCHES

Welcome! On behalf of the clergy and people of St Paul's Church, Manuka and St David's, Red Hill. A large-print version of this bulletin is available from the sidespeople and at St Paul's a hearing loop is installed in the first five rows. *Please silence all phones and pagers for our worship.*

Visitors. If you are visiting, let us know. We encourage you to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Hall.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

8AM - ST PAUL'S	8.30AM - ST DAVID'S	10AM - ST PAUL'S
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10am Setting: (choir) Charles Wood (1866-1926) *Short Communion Service in the Phrygian Mode*

Gathering in God's Name

INTROIT at 10am: Plainsong *Advent Prose*

Drop down ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness. Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people, my salvation shall not tarry: I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save thee: for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer. Drop down...

HYMN - TIS 270

1. **On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
come then and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings from the King of kings.**
2. **Then cleansed be every heart from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home
where such a mighty guest may come.**
3. **For you are our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without your grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.**
4. **To heal the sick stretch out your hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let your light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.**
5. **To him who left the throne of heaven
to free us all, let praise be given;
and praise be to the Father done,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One.**

Words: Charles Coffin 1676-1749 *tr.* John Chandler 1806-76 *alt.*
Tune: *Winchester New.*

THE SECOND CANDLE – THE CANDLE OF PEACE

Celebrant: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant: Today is the Second Sunday in Advent and we light the candle of peace.

We remember the prophets who spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a Saviour would be born, a king in the line of David. The prophets called Christ 'the Prince of Peace'. They told of how he would rule the world wisely and bless the nations with his peace. We light this candle to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace and that through him peace is found.

The second candle is lit

Peace is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the peace we have in Jesus Christ.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Lord Jesus, Light of the World, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people. Give us peace in our hearts. We ask that as we wait for you to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and everyday to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with each other. We ask this in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.**

The service continues on page 119.

SENTENCE (8.30am only)

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. For the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together.

Luke 3.4,6

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

A READING FROM ISAIAH 40:1-11

Please be seated

COMFORT, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the LORD God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

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

PSALM 85:1-2, 8-13 (*Said by the congregation in alternate verses at 8am, by all the congregation at 8.30am and sung by the cantors at 10am*)

- 1 O Lord, you were gracious to your land:
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- 2 **You forgave the iniquity of your people:
and covered all their sin.**
- 8 I will hear what the Lord God will speak:
for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful ones, whose hearts are turned to him.
- 9 **Truly his salvation is near to those that fear him:
and his glory shall dwell in our land.**
- 10 Mercy and truth are met together:
righteousness and peace have kissed each other;
- 11 **Truth shall flourish out of the earth:
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**
- 12 The Lord will also give us all that is good:
and our land shall yield its plenty.
- 13 **For righteousness shall go before him:
and tread the path before his feet.**

A READING FROM 2 PETER 3:8-15A

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given him,

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God

HYMN — TIS 691

- 1. Faith will not grow from words alone,
from proofs provided, scripture known;
our faith must feel its way about,
and live with question-marks and doubt.**
- 2. The pattern Jesus showed, we share:
life comes through death,
hope through despair.
God is made known in brokenness,
and faith feeds on God's emptiness.**
- 3. The church still tells how Jesus came
through death to glorious life again —
the strangest story! Yet, maybe,
our faith will thrive on mystery.**
- 4. Faith takes the little that we know,
and calls for hope, and tells us: Go!
Love and take courage, come what may;
Christ will be with us on the way.**

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (10am only)

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Congregation: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

Choir: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Congregation: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

THE HOLY GOSPEL — MARK 1:1-8

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

✠**Glory to you, ✠Lord Jesus ✠Christ**

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" John the baptiser appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptised by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptised you with water; but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit."

For the gospel of the Lord

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON - ST PAUL'S - THE REVEREND ALIPATE TUINEAU
- ST DAVID'S - THE REVEREND KELVIN HARRIS

A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.

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THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION - Page 147 then pages 128-129

THE GREETING OF PEACE - Page 127

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN — TIS 517 (*During the singing of this hymn, the gifts of bread, wine and money are brought to the altar*)

1. Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,
his the sceptre, his the throne;
hallelujah! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
hark, the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
'Jesus out of every nation
has redeemed us by his blood.'
2. Hallelujah! not as orphans,
are we left in sorrow now;
hallelujah! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how;
though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?
3. Hallelujah! bread of heaven,
and on earth our food, our stay;
hallelujah! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day;
intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer, plead for me
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.
4. Hallelujah! King eternal,
you the Lord of lords we own;
hallelujah! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne:
you within the veil have entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest;
you on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Words: William Chatterton Dix 1837-98. Tune: *Hyfrydol*.

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Page 147 then pages 128-129

COMMUNION (at 10am - Johann Olearius (1611-1684) *Comfort ye, my people*)

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HYMN — TIS 309

1. Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
heralds of creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:
come and worship Christ, the new-born King,
come and worship, worship Christ, the new-born King,

2. **Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
watching over flocks by night,
God with us is now residing;
yonder shines the infant Light:
 *come and worship Christ ...***
3. **Wise men, leave your contemplations,
brighter visions beam afar;
seek the great Desire of nations,
you have seen his natal star:
 *come and worship Christ ...***
4. **Though an infant now we view him,
he shall fill his Father's throne,
gather all the nations to him:
every knee shall then bow down:
 *come and worship Christ ...***

Words: James Montgomery 1771-1854 *alt.* Tune: *Iris*

DISMISSAL

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

Please remember in your prayers: The Sick: Chris Campion, Sean Forster, Diana Hanna, Alya Henry, Deanne Mayne, Anthea Moller, Avis Parry, Gillian Raymond, Bob Webb, Pam Wright.

To add a name, call or email the parish office. The person's permission is required. Names remain on the prayer list for four Sundays only, unless the parish office is advised otherwise.

Pastoral visits for the sick. Please let the Parish office know if you know of someone who is sick who may appreciate a pastoral visit.

News and Announcements

Christmas Trading Table at St Paul's Christmas Trading Table today following the 8am and 10am services. Please come and buy gifts for Christmas to support the after school coaching program for refugee and migrant children, one of the outreach programs of our parish. Catherine Böhm for further information: 6161 4963.

Christmas gifts for children and teens can be brought to church on the first three Sundays in Advent. The gifts will be distributed by Anglicare to young people who might otherwise miss out. Please leave your unwrapped gift under the Christmas tree in St Paul's to ensure it is given to an appropriate person. The last day for collection of gifts is 17th December. Further information from Penelope Lowery ph. 0450 960 210.

Op Shop Christmas closure. The Op Shop will be closed until the third Friday in January.

Farewell and Celebration: Hartley Hansford is celebrating the 50th anniversary of his priesting on 17th December. We are also farewelling Kelvin on this day. Please bring a plate to share after the 10am service.

Christmas Bowl. Each year we contribute the collection at the St Paul's Carols to the Christmas Bowl. If you were unable to attend the Carol service there are Christmas Bowl envelopes at the back of the church for placement on the collection plate.

Children's choir. Parish connected children, teenagers and their friends are welcome to join the children's choir which will sing at the 6pm service on Christmas Eve. Please contact greta@

aerotherentic.com. Commitment is one rehearsal on 23rd December from 4-5pm and to arrive on 24th December at 5.30 for the 6pm service.

Christmas service times.

St Paul's: On Sunday 24th December (Christmas Eve) there will be one morning service only, at 9am. There will be evening services at 6pm (Eucharist of Children with Nativity Play) and 11pm (Midnight Eucharist). On Monday 25th December (Christmas Day) there will be Eucharists at 7, 8 and 10am.

St David's: There will be a Eucharist at 8.30am on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Among the excellent music in store for our Christmas services, St Paul's Choir and guests will sing Charpentier's *Messe de Minuit pour Noël* with a small orchestra at St Paul's 11pm Choral Eucharist on Christmas Eve. This is a delightful setting based on old French carols.

Community: The Summer issue of *Community* (No.42) is now available for reading in full colour on St Paul's web site. Printed copies will be distributed at services on Sunday. This issue offers coverage of a range of events: the Bible display, the fete, a reflection on Martin Luther 500 years and other features. The editor thanks parishioners for their contributions in many ways.

The Rector thanks everyone involved in the magnificent Carol service on Tuesday night, especially Matthew Stuckings, our Director of Music, our organists Chris Erskine and Mary Anne Neilsen, the choir, musicians and all who came.

Discovery @ St Paul's is in recess until we meet again on the last Wednesday of January, 31st.

NEXT SUNDAY –17TH DECEMBER - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

LECTIONARY TEXTS: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thessalonians 5: 12-28; John 1:6-8, 19-28

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