

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

23RD AUGUST 2015

ST PAUL'S: 8 & 10AM

ST DAVID'S: 8.30AM



So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

John 6:67-69

ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MANUKA
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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.

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Setting at 10am: (choir) John Barrett (1916-1983) *St Paul's Service*

Gathering in God's Name

INTROIT at 10am: Charles Wood - *Oculi Omnium*

Oculi omnium in te sperant Domine: et tu das escam illorum in tempore opportuno.

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord: and you give them their food in due season (Ps 145:15)

HYMN TIS 477

**1 Jesus calls us here to meet him
as, through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.**

**2 Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of Life and Lord of All,
sharer of our flesh and frailness
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.**

**3 Jesus calls us to each other:
found in him are no divides.
Race and class and sex and language
such are barriers he derides.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.**

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Words and music from Wild Goose Songs 3, Love from Below
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SENTENCE

Jesus said, 'It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.' *John 6:63*

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Everliving God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear the prayers we offer for all your faithful people, that in the ministry to which you have called them each may serve you in holiness and truth; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 1 KINGS 8:22-30, 41-43

Please be seated

THEN Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion... Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim... And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD. Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, 'O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and

have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, “There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.” Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. ‘But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant’s prayer and his plea, O LORD my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, “My name shall be there”, that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive... ‘Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name – for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm – when a foreigner comes and prays towards this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling-place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

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

PSALM 84 (*Said by the congregation in alternate verses at 8am, by all the congregation at 8.30am and led by the choir at 10am*)

- 1 How lovely is your dwelling-place:
O Lord God of hosts!
- 2 **My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord:
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**
- 3 The sparrow has found her a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
even your altar, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 **Blessed are those who dwell in your house:
they will always be praising you.**
- 5 Blessed are those whose strength is in you:
in whose heart are the highways to Zion;
- 6 **Who, going through the valley of dryness, find there a spring from which to drink:
till the autumn rain shall clothe it with blessings.**
- 7 They go from strength to strength:
they appear, every one of them, before the God of gods in Zion.
- 8 **O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer:
give ear, O God of Jacob.**
- 9 Behold, O God, him who reigns over us:
and look upon the face of your anointed.
- 10 **One day in your courts is better than a thousand:
I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.**
- 11 For the Lord God is a light and a shield, the Lord gives favour and honour:
and no good thing will he withhold from those who walk in innocence.
- 12 **O Lord God of hosts:
blessed are those who put their trust in you.**

A READING FROM EPHESIANS 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God

HYMN — TIS 143

- 1 **Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.**
- 2 **Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;
your justice like mountains high soaring above,
your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**
- 3 **You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,
in all life now living, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.**
- 5 **All praise we would render: reveal to our sight
what hides you is only the splendour of light;
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart,
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.**

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith 1824–1908 *alt.* Tune: *St Denio*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (10am only)

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Choir: Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

THE HOLY GOSPEL — JOHN 6:56-69

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

✠Glory to you, ✠Lord Jesus ✠Christ

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is

the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.' Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

For the gospel of the Lord
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON - ST PAUL'S - THE REV'D SUSAN BRIDGE

- ST DAVID'S - THE REV'D JOHN CAMPBELL

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN — TIS 447 (*During the singing of this hymn, the gifts of bread, wine and money are brought to the altar*)

**1 Lord, your almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight:
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**2 Saviour, who came to give
those who in darkness live
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
now to all humankind
let there be light.**

Words: George Hugh Bourne 1840–1925 *alt.* Tune: *St Helen*

**3 Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving holy dove,
speed forth your flight;
move on the waters' face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**4 Holy and blessed Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might,
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth far and wide,
let there be light.**

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COMMUNION (at 10am: choir: GF Handel - *Lord, I trust thee*)

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HYMN — TIS 473

1. Community of Christ,
who make the Cross your own,
live out your creed and risk your life
for God alone:
the God who wears your face,
to whom all worlds belong,
whose children are of every race
and every song.
2. Community of Christ,
look past the Church's door
and see the refugee, the hungry,
and the poor.
Take hands with the oppressed,
the jobless in your street,
take towel and water, that you wash
your neighbour's feet.
3. Community of Christ,
through whom the word must sound –
cry out for justice and for peace
the whole world round:
disarm the powers that war
and all that can destroy,
turn bombs to bread, and tears
of anguish into joy.
4. When menace melts away,
so shall God's will be done,
the climate of the world be peace
and Christ its Sun;
our currency be love
and kindness our law,
our food and faith be shared as one
for evermore.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please remember in your prayers: The Sick: David Bond, Monica Freeman, Andrew Livingston, Barbara Osborne.

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.

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News and Announcements

*To add a notice, email or call the Parish Office by 1.30pm on the **Tuesday** before the notice is to appear.*

Mondays 8.30am. Morning Prayer in the Mollison Room. All welcome. Combine with the mindfulness walk or not as you prefer. Mindfulness walk now at 9am. Meet in the Mollison Room.

AOA Fork & Talk today commencing at 12 noon. The Rev'd Dr Bob Mitchell, CEO of AOA, will talk about the important work of his agency. Bring a plate to share. Punch supplied. Donation: \$15/head, \$40 family. Funds raised will go to the AOA. Contact Les Böhm to reserve a seat: 61614963, mobile 0407031736 or les.bohm@gmail.com.

St David's Close Garage Sale will be held on Saturday **29th August**. Contributions of goods and offers of assistance welcome. And please turn up on the day to grab a bargain! Contact John Vilskersts on 0432 698 691.

Discovery Group invites parishioners to its next morning tea on Wednesday **26th August**. We will meet at La Rendezvous Café at Manuka Court (between Bougainville Street and Palmerston Lane) at 10.30 am. This gathering is a most enjoyable occasion which allows parishioners to meet and chat informally. The morning tea follows St Paul's 10 am service which you are most welcome to attend.

Organ recital. Thursday **27th August** at 12.30pm, our organists James Porteous and Chris Erskine will give a lunchtime recital on the organ of St Paul's. These recitals are always a treat in the middle of the working day - why not come along?

Next Sunday Mr Jon Stanhope will be with us at the 10am service at St Paul's to speak briefly about the drawings and pictures from the children on Christmas Island.

Tapestry/Handicraft Group will meet at the home of Jenny Hodge on Wednesday **2nd September** commencing at 2 pm. The address is 108/19 State Circle, Forrest, phone 6161 3864.

Mission Without Borders. Interested in helping the abject poor in Eastern Europe? Knit now. Such items as jumpers, beanies, scarves and bed socks, will be distributed ready for the cold winter weather in countries like Moldova and Ukraine. Donations of wool, needles and sewing needs are also welcome. For further information contact Christine Bollen, phone 6282 2210.

Susan's Farewell. The Rector is proposing that a farewell to Susan be held after Evensong on Sunday **20th September**. Parishioners are asked to bring a plate. Drinks will be supplied.

Susan's Farewell Gift. As a token of our appreciation of Susan's ministry amongst us, parishioners are invited to contribute towards a farewell gift. Please place this on the collection plate in an envelope marked "Susan's farewell gift". The gift will be presented to Susan on 20th September at her farewell.

NEXT SUNDAY – 30TH AUGUST - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LECTIONARY TEXTS: Song of Songs 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-23

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