

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

6TH DECEMBER 2015

ST PAUL'S: 8 & 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
CELEBRANT	CELEBRANT	CELEBRANT
The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas	The Rev'd Canon John Campbell	The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas
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Setting at 10am: (choir): Michael Dudman (1938-1994) *Parish eucharist*

Gathering in God's Name

INTROIT at 10am: *Matin Responsory* - adapted from a Magnificat by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

I look from afar, and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth. Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel? High and low, rich and poor, one with another, go ye out to meet him and say: Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that ledest Joseph like a sheep, tell us, art thou he that should come? Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. I look from afar...

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: 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

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. *Luke 1:78–79*

**Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy**

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of our salvation, you straighten the winding ways of our hearts and smooth the paths made rough by sin: keep our hearts watchful in holiness, and bring to perfection the good you have begun in us. We ask this through him whose coming is certain, whose Day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

A READING FROM MALACHI 3:1-14

Please be seated

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the LORD whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight — indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts. For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, have not perished. Ever since the days of your ancestors you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts. But you say, 'How shall we return?' Will anyone rob God? Yet you are robbing me! But you say, 'How are we robbing you?' In your tithes and offerings! You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me — the whole nation of you! Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing. I will rebuke the locust for you, so that it will not destroy the produce of your soil; and your vine in the field shall not be barren, says the LORD of hosts. Then all nations will count you happy, for you will be a land of delight, says the LORD of hosts. You have spoken harsh words against me, says the LORD. Yet you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What do we profit by keeping his command or by going about as mourners before the LORD of hosts?

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

SONG OF ZECHARIAH (APBA P. 10) *(Said by the congregation in alternate verses at 8am, by all the congregation at 8.30am and led by the choir at 10am)*

Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel:
you have come to your people and set them free.

**You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour:
born of the house of your servant David.**

Through your holy prophets, you promised of old:
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us,

**To show mercy to our forebears:
and to remember your holy covenant.**

This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship you without fear:
holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:
for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

**To give God's people knowledge of salvation:
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God:
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death:
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS 1:1-11

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God

HYMN — TIS 272

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| <p>1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free,
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.</p> <p>2 Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.</p> | <p>3 Born thy people to deliver,
born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.</p> <p>4 By thine own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit
raise us to thy glorious throne.</p> |
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Words: Charles Wesley 1707–88. Tune: *Veni Emanuel*

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 — LUKE 3:1-6

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

✠Glory to you, ✠Lord Jesus ✠Christ

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the

word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, ‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” ’

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

THE SERMON - ST PAUL’S - THE VENERABLE JOHN GIBSON
- ST DAVID’S - THE REV’D CANON JOHN CAMPBELL
A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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| <p>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.’</p> <p>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’?</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> |
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Words: William Chatterton Dix 1837–98. Tune: *Hyfrydol*

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Page 147 than pages 128-9

COMMUNION (at 10am: choir: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) *This is the record of John*
This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?
And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What art thou

then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, make straight the way of the Lord. [John 1:19-23]

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HYMN — TIS 282

1
The voice of God goes out to all the world;
his glory speaks across the universe.
The great King's herald cries from star to star:
'With power, with justice, he will walk his way.'

2
The Lord has said, 'Receive my messenger,
my promise to the world, my pledge made flesh,
a lamp to every nation, light from light':
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.

3
The broken reed he will not trample down,
nor set his heel upon the dying flame.
He binds the wounds, and health is in his hand:
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.

4
Anointed with the Spirit and with power,
he comes to crown with comfort all the weak,
to show the face of justice to the poor:
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.

5
His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held,
the lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing,
and prisoners laugh in light and liberty:
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.

Words: Luke Connaughton 1917-79 .. Tune: *Woodlands*. CCLI
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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, Diana Hanna, Peta Hill, Andrew Livingston, Douglas May, Ella Nicholls, Rosemary King, Barbara Osborne.

The Departed: Neville Boston.

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.

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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.*

Trading Table after the 8 and 10 am services at St Paul's today. Bring and buy to support the education program for migrant and refugee children.

Faith At Work Breakfast, Tuesday 8th December 7:30-8:30 am at St John's Anglican Church Reid. Professor John White is a professor of Chemistry at the ANU, a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science and the Royal Society of London. John will be reflecting on his journey as a Christian and a scientist, and the relationship between the two. Entry by gold coin donation. RSVP for catering purposes to admin@stjohnscanberra.org **today**.

Carols in Manuka will take place this Tuesday 8th December at St Paul's and Thursday 10th December at St Christopher's, both at 7.30pm.

Sunday 27th December. There will be only one service at St Paul's on Sunday 27th December. It will be at 9am. The preacher and celebrant will be The Rev'd Susan Bridge. The St David's service that day will be at the usual time of 8.30am.

The Abbeyfield group home for independent seniors at Ainslie has vacancies for single people over 65 who no longer wish to live alone. Abbeyfield offers a companionable alternative to age care units. For information visit Abbeyfield's website www.abbeyfield.org.au or phone Alison on 6254 2475.

Christmas Cake Raffle. Trish Bailey was the lucky winner of the redraw of the Christmas cake. Limit two slices if you are driving. Ros Deane.

Christmas Goodies - Sadly there will be no Christmas Goodies this year though I am hoping to make some small Christmas Cakes. Ros Deane.

Education for Ministry in 2016. The St Paul's EfM group seeks new members in 2016: beginning 15th February. Details from Michael Richards (6227 5769) or Kay Pendlebury (6297 8587), see www.efmaustralia.org for the new program and materials. Information session 1st February 2016, 7 pm in the Mollison Room.

Through Anglicare's Teens, Toys and Tucker Appeal, you can make sure Christmas is special for people in need. Help us demonstrate God's love by providing food and gifts for those in our community who will otherwise miss out this year. If you would like to help, the most pressing needs this year are gifts for teenagers and food for hampers. St Pauls will direct food donations to the Verandah. Please bring your Donations for Anglicare by Sunday 13th December. Visit www.anglicare.com.au to find out more.

NEXT SUNDAY – 13TH DECEMBER - THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

LECTIONARY TEXTS: Zephaniah 3:14-20; Song of Isaiah (APBA p. 391); Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

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Alexandra Morris,

Beverley McLeod

MORNING TEA

Laurel Yeend, Gwen Benson

ORGANIST

Robert Goodrick

10AM - ST PAUL'S

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The Venerable John Gibson

PREACHER

The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas

DEACON

The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas

PRIEST ASSISTING

The Rev'd Hartley Hansford

LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS

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Ian MacDiarmid, Christopher Deane

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Colin Swinbourn,

Leanne Lowery

SIDESPEOPLE

Joan Boston, Ian & Shirley Gollings

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ORGANIST

Chris Erskine