

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

13TH 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 The Rev'd Sandie Kaine	CELEBRANT The Rev'd Canon John Campbell	CELEBRANT The Venerable John Gibson
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Setting at 10am: (choir): Michael Dudman (1938-1994) *Parish eucharist*

Gathering in God's Name

INTROIT at 10am: Michael Praetorius (1571-1621) *A great and mighty wonder*

HYMN TIS 273

**1 Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the sound of this refrain:
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.**

**4 Sing amen! let all adore you,
high on your eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
claim the kingdom for your own;
O come quickly, O come quickly,
O come quickly;
hallelujah! Come, Lord, come.**

**3 Those dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshippers:
with what rapture, with what rapture,
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars!**

Words: Charles Wesley 1707–88 *alt.* Tune: Helmsley

THE THIRD CANDLE – THE CANDLE OF LOVE

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant: Today is the third Sunday in Advent and we light the candle of love.

John the Baptist spoke to the people bravely in the desert denying his own comfort and being ready to die for what he believed. John taught we should share what we have with others, treat each other kindly and show God's love. He cared for people and wanted them to repent and find God's forgiveness.

The third candle is lit

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Lord God, your witness John the Baptist grew strong in spirit and prepared people for the coming of the Lord. John loved people and baptised them to wash away their sins. Help us to have the same love so that we too can be witnesses to our Lord and spread the good news of Christ's love for all. We ask this in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.**

The service continues on page 119.

SENTENCE

Do not fear. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love.

Zephaniah 3.16–17

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

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, you sent your Son into a world where the wheat must be winnowed from the chaff and evil clings even to what is good: let the fire of your Spirit purge us of all corruption, so that, purified, we may wait eagerly for 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 ZEPHANIAH 3:14-20

Please be seated

SING aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

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

SONG OF ISAIAH (APBA P. 391) *(Said by the congregation in alternate verses at 8am, by all the congregation at 8.30am and led by the choir at 10am)*

‘Behold, God is my salvation:

I will trust and will not be afraid;

**‘For the Lord God is my strength and my song:
and has become my salvation.’**

With joy you will draw water:
from the wells of salvation.

On that day you will say:

‘Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name;

‘Make known his deeds among the nations:
proclaim that his name is exalted.

**‘Sing God’s praises, who has triumphed gloriously:
let this be known in all the world.**

‘Shout and sing for joy, you that dwell in Zion:
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.’

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A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God

HYMN — TIS 269

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| <p>1 Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes,
the Saviour promised long;
let every heart prepare a throne
and every voice a song.</p> <p>2 On him the Spirit largely poured
exerts its sacred fire;
wisdom and might and zeal and love
his holy breast inspire.</p> | <p>4 He comes the broken heart to bind,
the bleeding soul to cure,
and with the treasures of his grace
to enrich the humble poor.</p> <p>6 Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
your welcome shall proclaim,
and heaven’s exalted arches ring
with your beloved name.</p> |
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Words: Philip Doddridge 1702–51 Tune: *Crediton*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (10am only)

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Choir: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

THE HOLY GOSPEL — LUKE 3:7-18

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

✠Glory to you, ✠Lord Jesus ✠Christ

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, ‘You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, “We have Abraham as our ancestor”; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.’ And the crowds asked him, ‘What then should we do?’ In reply he said to them, ‘Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.’ Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, ‘Teacher, what should we do?’ He said to them, ‘Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.’ Soldiers also asked him, ‘And we, what should we do?’ He said to them, ‘Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.’

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

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

THE SERMON - ST PAUL'S - THE VENERABLE DR BRIAN DOUGLAS

- 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 499 (*During the singing of this hymn, the gifts of bread, wine and money are brought to the altar*)

**1 Lord Jesus, joy of loving hearts,
true fount of life, our lives sustain,
from any bliss that earth imparts
we turn unfilled to you again.**

**2 Your truth unchanged has ever stood,
you save all those who on you call,
to those yet seeking you are good,
to those who find you, all in all.**

**3 We taste you, Lord, the living bread,
and long to feast upon you still,
we drink of you, the fountainhead,
and thirst our souls from you to fill.**

**4 For you our restless spirits yearn,
whatever comes, until the last,
glad when your presence we discern,
blest when our faith can hold you fast.**

**5 For ever, Jesus, with us stay,
make all our moments calm and bright,
chase the dark night of sin away,
shed on this world your holy light.**

Words: Anon., Latin, 12th cent. *tr.* Ray Palmer 1808–87 *alt.*
Tune: *Hereford*

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Page 147 than pages 128-9

COMMUNION (at 10am: choir: Henry Purcell (1659-1659) *Rejoice in the Lord alway*
Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ, our Lord. [Philippians 4]

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HYMN — TIS 210

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of our God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
such music in the sinner's ears
is life, and health, and peace.
- 3 He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
his blood availed for me.
- 4 He speaks, and listening to his voice
new life the dead receive,
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.
- 5 Hear him, you deaf; his praise, you dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
you blind, behold your Saviour come;
and leap, you lame, for joy!
- 6 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of your name.

Words: Charles Wesley 1707–88 *alt.* Tune: *Lyngham*

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: Adrian Dennison.

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.*

Igitur Nos Chamber Choir, conducted by our director of music, Matthew Stuckings, will present a free lunch time concert at the National Portrait Gallery this Wednesday **16th December**, 12:30-1:15pm. Seasonal music by Rutter, Whitacre, Willcocks, Vaughan Williams, and more.

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 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.

Trading Table. Many thanks to everyone who supported the Trading Table in any way last Sunday. \$865.50 was raised to assist the after school coaching program for refugee and migrant children which is one of our outreach programs. We very much appreciated everyone's help, with particular thanks to those who provided many wonderful items of craft, cakes, biscuits, quiches, mince pies, cards, jams, floral arrangements and much more. We have raised a total of \$2094.60 this year which includes the \$310 from the display of the refugee children's drawings from Christmas Island.

Many thanks to all who supported the Carols in Manuka. The music was brilliant! Particular thanks to Matthew Stuckings our Director of Music, to Chris, James and Mary Anne our organists, and to our choir members.

NEXT SUNDAY – 20TH DECEMBER - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

LECTIONARY TEXTS: Micah 5:2-5a; Song of Mary (APBA p. 31); Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45

8AM - ST PAUL'S

CELEBRANT

The Venerable John Gibson

PREACHER

The Venerable John Gibson

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT

Christine May

INTERCESSOR

Rob May

READER

Peter McDermott

SIDESPEOPLE

Peter & Heather McDermott

BREAKFAST

Jeanette Evans

ORGANIST

Adrian Keenan

8.30AM - ST DAVID'S

CELEBRANT

The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas

PREACHER

The Venerable Dr Brian Douglas

LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS

The Rev'd Jill Elliot,

Heather Schmitzer

INTERCESSOR

Amanda Lynch

SIDESPEOPLE & READERS

Cate Evans, John Farnan

MORNING TEA

Lilian Lander, Joan Chynoweth

ORGANIST

Robert Goodrick

10AM - ST PAUL'S

CELEBRANT

The Rev'd Canon John Campbell

PREACHER

The Venerable John Gibson

DEACON

The Rev'd Sandie Kaine

PRIEST ASSISTING

The Rev'd Hartley Hansford

LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS

Ian MacDiarmid, Helen Raymond,

Tony Ralli, Naresh Gunasekera

INTERCESSOR

Lynette Glendinning

READERS

Tony Gay, Helen Raymond

SIDESPEOPLE

Tony Gay, Alec & Ann Lazenby,

Roz Bruhn

MORNING TEA

Patricia Laird, Alec Philip,

Philip Christie

ORGANIST

James Porteous