

PENTECOST 20 / ORDINARY 28

St Paul's Ashgrove, 11 October 2026

HYMNS: TiS 152; SPBH 10; TiS 547; SPBH 29

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY *Isaiah 25.9*

This is our God for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

<u>READINGS</u>	<u>THIS WEEK</u> <i>Pentecost 20</i>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u> <i>Pentecost 21</i>
FIRST READING	Isaiah 25.1-9	Isaiah 45.1-7
PSALM	Psalms 23	Psalms 96.1-9
SECOND READING	Philippians 4.1-9	1 Thessalonians 1.1-10
GOSPEL	Matthew 22. 1-14	Matthew 22.15-33

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH *25.1-9*

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

² He will make me lie down in green pastures:

and lead me beside still waters.

³ He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

⁵ You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

⁶ Surely your goodness and loving-kindness

will follow me all the days of my life:

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS 4.1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. 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. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION

Please come forward to receive the bread and wine. Gluten free wafers are available (please ask).

For the safety of all in the community we ask you to:

- *NOT intinct (dip the bread in the wine)*
- *Take wine only if you are free from symptoms and free of anxiety about drinking from the common cup.*

ST. PAUL'S NOTICEBOARD

 Call out for **plants in small pots and/or small pots** to be donated to the Green Corner Community Garden! Drop off at 300 Waterworks Rd or contact Natalie in the parish office
Wednesdays & Fridays 9.30 to 1.30pm 

 Parvin and her son are desperately looking for a place to rent. Please contact Robyn 

- 19 Oct **BOOKCLUB MEETS AGAIN!** – Monday, 7:30pm. Meeting in the Crypt. The chosen book is "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi.
- 06 Nov **TAIZÉ** – Friday, 6:00pm in the Church followed by dinner. RSVP to Rev'd Pam or John Hynd.
- 07 Nov **PRACTICALLY SPIRITUAL** – Saturday, 8:30am. Meeting in the Crypt.
- 05 Dec **THE WESTSIDE ORCHESTRA** – Saturday, 5:00pm. Celebration! Tickets available through Humanitix.

JUBILEE TERRACE PLAYGROUP – Weekly on a Friday from 9:30-11:30am during school terms. \$4 per week to cover cost. Registered Playgroup with Play Matters.

BIBLE STUDY AND MORNING PRAYER – Prayer at 9:30am and Bible Study at 10:00am during school terms. Currently reading Hebrews. Everyone welcome!

THRIFT SHOP – Open Wednesdays and Saturdays 9:00am-1:00pm. New volunteers are always welcome. Donations of clothing and kitchenware (no electrical goods, furniture baby carriers or knives, please) are gratefully received.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the people in Iran, and all in the Middle East, for those in Nepal and Tibet, and those in Australia concerned for their family and friends living there. We give our thanks for the life of Denise, and pray for John and family. Please pray for Jack and Kathy, Tony P, Vanessa, Macey, Bill; Matthew (and mother, Sue), Rob and Andrea, Georg ia, Sue J, Ian and Jill. Please pray for our friends at LAMB and surrounds, and for the country of Bangladesh. Pray for Sarah, Gill, and David as they begin the process of looking for a new Parish Priest.

PRAYER FOR CHOOSING A NEW PRIEST TO LEAD US

Bountiful God,
Give to this Parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments;
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry
and enable us to fulfil our calling.
Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience,
and to us give warm and generous hearts,
for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

St Paul's bank details are:-

Name: Ithaca-Ashgrove Anglican Parish | **BSB:** 704901 | **Acct No:** 0000 4420

Parish Office: parish.office@stpaulsashgrove.org.au (07) 3366 2320 (office attended Wed and Fri 9:30 – 1:30pm)

RECTORY UPDATE

REQUEST FOR OLD NEWSPAPERS

If you have a collection of old newspapers, we need them under the mulch in the Rectory. Please leave bundled up and through the back gate to the Rectory in the lower carpark

1. Donations
2. Ithaca Ashgrove Anglican Parish – **BSB:** 704 901 **Account:** 0000 4420
3. Please note – “Rectory”

 **YARD CHAMPIONS** – Christian (0488 469 355) and John Hynd (0422 259 117)

4. Mulch
5. Pressure washing
6. Other list items

 **FREE TREES CHAMPION** – Gillian Bristow (0417 005 253)

7. Please give Gillian or leave in Notice Box an old Rates Notice, writing on the Notice “I authorise Gillian Bristow to claim free tree vouchers on my behalf”
8. She will take to library to be endorsed and in Spring planting can begin.

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