

**Holy Communion at St Paul's, Ashgrove**  
**Third Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary 13) 26/6/22**

Service Times: 7.30am (no hymns) 9.00am (hymns)

*"If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit."*

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**Hymn:** TIS 626 Lord of Creation

P: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

LA: We acknowledge the custodians of the land where we gather today -  
the Jagera and Turrbal people. We celebrate their culture, thank them for  
their care of the land, and pay respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.

LA: Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for Jesus' sake will find it.

Matthew 10.39

LA: [Let us pray.]

**Almighty God,**

**to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,**

**and from whom no secrets are hidden:**

**cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**

**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**

**that we may perfectly love you,**

**and worthily magnify your holy name,**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Glory to God in the highest,**

**and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,**

**we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

P: O God,  
the light of the minds that know you,  
the life of the souls that love you,  
the strength of the thoughts that seek you:  
help us so to know you that we may truly love you,  
and so to love you that we may fully serve you,  
whose service is perfect freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**God of the nations,  
whose sovereign rule brings justice and peace,  
have mercy on our broken and divided world.  
Shed abroad your peace in the hearts of all  
and banish from them the spirit that makes for war,  
that all races and peoples may learn to live  
as members of one family  
and in obedience to your law,  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**God who made our home,  
And made your home with us,  
Yet often had no place to lay your head,  
Have mercy today on all who have no home.  
Provide shelter and protection,  
A future and a hope,  
To all whose beds tonight will be unsafe, unstable or exposed.  
Grant wisdom and compassion,  
To everyone with power or resources  
To end our housing crisis,  
So that all may live in peace  
And share with equity and thanksgiving  
The good things you provide  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**A reading from the first book of Kings      2.1-2, 6-14**

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. .. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven.

Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?"

When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over. (NRSV)

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 77.1-2,11-20**

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1. I call to my God, I cry out toward him:  
**I call to my God, and surely he will answer.**
- 2 In the day of my distress I seek the Lord,  
I stretch out my hands to him by night:  
**my soul is poured out without ceasing,  
it refuses all comfort.**
- 11 I will declare the mighty acts of the Lord:  
**I will call to mind your wonders of old.**
- 12 I will think on all that you have done:  
**and meditate upon your works.**
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy:  
**who is so great a god as our God?**
- 14 You are the God that works wonders:  
**you made known your power among the nations;**
- 15 By your mighty arm you redeemed your people:  
**the children of Jacob and Joseph.**
- 16 The waters saw you, O God,  
the waters saw you and were afraid:  
**the depths also were troubled.**
- 17 The clouds poured out water, the heavens spoke:  
**and your arrows darted forth.**
- 18 The voice of your thunder was heard in the whirlwind:  
**your lightnings lit the world,  
the earth shuddered and quaked.**
- 19 Your way was in the sea, your path in the great waters:  
**and your footsteps were not seen.**
- 20 You led your people like sheep:  
**by the hand of Moses and Aaron.**

**A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians**

**5.1,13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. (NRSV)

Hear the word of the Lord,      **Thanks be to God.**

**LA: Hymn:    TiS 428    Help Us O Lord to Learn**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke**  
chapter **9** beginning at verse **51**  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God." (NRSV)

This is the gospel of the Lord,  
**praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**Sermon**

*Silence*

**LA:** Let us together affirm the faith of the Church

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

#### LA: THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

..., in your mercy,  
hear our prayer.

LA: Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray,

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

Lord, have mercy

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

LA: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness

**Merciful God,  
our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God,  
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: We are the body of Christ.  
**His Spirit is with us.**  
The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*All may exchange a sign of peace, maintaining 1.5m separation and without touching.*

*Note that we cannot pass collection bowls around at this time. There is a box at the back of the building to receive your offerings. Alternatively, please consider giving electronically through your bank. St Paul's bank details are BSB: 704901 Acc NO: 00004420*

**Hymn: 422 Come, Holy Spirit, Come**

## **THANKSGIVING 5**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Loving God, we thank you for this world of wonder and delight.

You have given it to us to care for,  
so that all your creatures may enjoy its bounty.  
Lord our God,  
**we give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you that when we turned away from you,  
you sent Jesus to live and work as one of us,  
and bring us back to you.  
He showed us how to love you  
and set us free to love and serve one another.  
Lord our God,  
**we give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you that on the cross  
Jesus took away our sin,  
all that keeps us from each other and from you.  
He frees us from hate and fear,  
from all that destroys love and trust.  
Lord our God,  
**we give you thanks and praise.**

And so with everyone who believes in you,  
with all the saints and angels,  
we rejoice and praise you, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

And now we thank you for these gifts of bread and wine;  
may we who receive them, as Jesus said,  
share his body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread and gave you thanks.  
He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said,  
'Take and eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me. '

After supper he took the cup and gave you thanks.  
He shared the cup with them and said,  
'This is my blood poured out so that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me. '

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

You have gathered us together to feed on Christ  
and to remember all he has done for us:

Fill us with your Spirit that we may follow Jesus  
in all we do and say,

working for justice and bringing your peace  
to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,  
**for we all share in the one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us. (*NZ Prayer Book*)

*We are now able to share communion wine as well as the bread. If you do not feel comfortable to receive wine from the communion cup, please feel no pressure to do so. If you are experiencing any viral symptoms, please refrain from drinking from the cup.*

*While others are receiving communion you may wish to listen or quietly sing the communion hymn while remaining seated. This hymn is not announced - just join in as you wish.*

**Communion Hymn (not announced): TiS 774 For the Life That You Have Given**

Father of all

we give you thanks and praise  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
**Keep us in this hope that we have grasped;  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name**

Most loving God,

you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage  
in the power of your Spirit.

*Announcements*

*Please stand as you are able for the blessing:*

Blessing



The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

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

**HYMN: TiS 473 Community of Christ**

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**Join us for morning tea after the service!**

### Upcoming events

**Synod, this weekend** - Please pray for our Synod Reps Gill Outen and David Sneesby along with Rev Margaret as they attend

Sun 26 – Fri 1 July

**Senior Ichthus Camp**

Grades 10-12 (in 2022)

[www.aycf.org.au/senior-ichthus](http://www.aycf.org.au/senior-ichthus)

Fri 1 July **Taize and Fish and Chips**

Sun 3 July **70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service**, 8.30am followed by High Tea – please rsvp at the back of the church or to Robyn Carl

Mon 11 July **Book Club** please join us at 7.30pm in the Crypt. We are reading '*Devotion*' by Hannah Kent

Sun 17 July **Combined Service** (followed by **Parish Council Meeting**)

Sun 7 August **Westside Orchestra concert**, 11am

Fri 28 – Sat 29 Oct **Bookfest** - with craft and plant stall so you are encouraged to start crafting and planting now!

**For your prayers:** Diana, Liam, John, Anni, Revd Jack, Revd Kathy, Daphne, Genevieve, Revd Margaret's niece, Annie, Nick, Cameron and Jenny, The Paul Family and the LAMB Medical Ministry in Bangladesh. And for Joy, Jean, Noela and Romola who are at home or in a nursing home. We also give thanks for the continuing restored health of George, Margaret and Sue. We give thanks for the appointment of Revd Richard James to St Mary's, Kangaroo Point Parish!

