



St John the Divine

Eucharist service

Trinity Sunday

12th June 2022

WELCOME!

Welcome to our worship and community life at St John the Divine, and to our live-streamed service, linked from our parish website: www.stjohndivine.org.au

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hymn: Holy, holy, holy!

Reginald Heber (1783-1836) alt. - tune: Nicea

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- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,
early in the morning to you our praise shall be;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**
- Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore you,
casting down their golden crowns around the
glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before you,
God everlasting through eternity.**
- Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide you,
though the sinful human eye your glory may not
see,
you alone are holy, there is none beside you
perfect in power, in love and purity.**
- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty,
all your works shall praise your name in earth
and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**

Sentence

God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying,
'Abba! Father!'

Galatians 4.6

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleans 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.**

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA AND COLLECT

**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.**

Let us pray.

Father, we praise you,
that through your Word and Holy Spirit
you created all things;
you reveal your salvation in all the world
through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh;
through your Holy Spirit you give us a share
in your life and love:
fill us with the vision of your glory,
that we may always serve and praise you,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31

Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
'To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.

The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.
When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
then I was beside him, like a master worker;

and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

May your word live in us,
and bear much fruit to your glory.

Psalm 8

- ¹ O Lord our Governor:
how glorious is your name in all the earth!
- ² **Your majesty above the heavens is yet recounted:
by the mouths of babes and sucklings.**
- ³ You have founded a strong defence
against your adversaries:
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- ⁴ **When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers:
the moon and the stars which you have set in
order,**
- ⁵ What are we, that you should be mindful of us:
what are we, that you should care for us?
- ⁶ **Yet you have made us little less than gods:
and have crowned us with glory and honour.**
- ⁷ You have given us dominion over your handiwork:
and have put all things in subjection beneath our
feet,
- ⁸ **All sheep and oxen:
and all the creatures of the field,**
- ⁹ The birds of the air and the fish of the sea:
and everything that moves
in the pathways of the great waters.
- ¹⁰ **O Lord our Governor:
how glorious is your name in all the earth!**

A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Rome 5.1–5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

May your word live in us,
and bear much fruit to your glory.

Hymn: Father, Lord! We give you adoration
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- 1. Father, Lord! We give you adoration
who, through the gift of life, yourself have given.
Hold us in light,
keep clear our sight,
give us the vision of your glorious way.**

- 2. Jesus, Son! You taught by your example,
that we on earth should live to sing your love.
Teach us to pray,
help us to stay
close to the way which you to us have shown.**
- 3. Spirit, God! You came to the disciples,
filled them with love and light for all to see.
Keep us aware,
through love and care,
you are the way by which we live our lives.**
- 4. Holy Three! and greater than the heavens,
power overwhelming, greater than the earth.
Save us through love,
and, from above,
your way will prove to us the life of love.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
St John 16.12–15

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

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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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Response:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God the Father forgives us in Christ
and heals us by the Holy Spirit.
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,
all slander and malice,
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

cf Ephesians 4.30,32

**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.**

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.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.
Peace to you from his Son Jesus Christ, who is our
peace.
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.
The peace of the triune God be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory hymn: Father, Lord of earth and heaven
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- 1. Father, Lord of earth and heaven,
King to whom all gifts belong,
give your greatest gift, your Spirit,
God the holy, God the strong.**
- 2. Son of God, enthroned in glory,
send your promised gift of grace;
make your Church your holy temple,
God the Spirit's dwelling-place.**
- 3. Spirit, come in peace descending
as at Jordan, heavenly dove;
seal your Church as God's anointed,
set our hearts on fire with love.**
- 4. Stay among us, God the Father,
stay among us, God the Son,
stay among us, Holy Spirit:
dwell within us, make us one.**

Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
give us the bread of everlasting life,
and make us branches of the true vine.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.
We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.
By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.
Through him, you have revealed to us your glory
in the community of your love,
three persons, one God,
ever to be worshipped and adored.
Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and 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 the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:
**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
as our Saviour taught us, so we 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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

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.
Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and
blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Please come forward to receive communion or a
blessing.*

SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

Let us pray.
Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father,
Son and Holy Spirit,
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith,
that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three persons yet one God,
now and forever. **Amen.**

Father,
**we offer ourselves to you
as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Hymn: Father all-loving and ruling in majesty

Patrick Robert Norman Appleford (b.1925) alt.

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- 1. Father all-loving and ruling in majesty,
judgment is yours, and condemns all our pride;
stir up our rulers and people to penitence,
sorrow for sins that for vengeance have cried.**
- 2. Blessèd Lord Jesus, born humbly in poverty,
sharing a stable with beasts at your birth,
stir us to work for your justice and charity,
truly to care for the poor upon earth.**
- 3. Come, Holy Spirit, create in us holiness,
lift up our lives to your standard of right;
stir every will to new ventures of faithfulness,
flood the whole church with your glorious light.**
- 4. Holiest Trinity, perfect in unity,
bind in your love every nation and race:
may we adore you for time and eternity,
Father, Redeemer and Spirit of grace.**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

God the Father,
who first loved us and made us accepted in the beloved
Son,
bless you. **Amen.**

God the Son,
who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own
blood,
bless you. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,
who sheds abroad the love of God in our hearts,
bless you. **Amen.**

The blessing of the one true God,
to whom be all love and all glory for time and eternity,
come down upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

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

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun 12th June Trinity Sunday
8am Eucharist
10am Eucharist (also live-streamed)
8pm AA meeting

Mon 13th June *Vicar's day off*
10.30am *AI Anon meeting*

Tue 14th June 1pm AA meeting
5.30pm community meal: TDRM
(St John's team to cook)

Wed 15th June 10am Eucharist
5.30pm community meal: Winter Shelter
7.30pm NA meeting

Thu 16th June 10.30am AA meeting
10.45am BUPA communion service
7.30pm AA meeting

Fri 17th June -

Sat 18th June 7am AA meeting
9.30am Working bee
12pm Women's AA meeting
7pm Lai Christian Church

Sun 19th June 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
8am Eucharist
10am Eucharist (also live-streamed)
11.30am Parish Council
8pm AA meeting

NOTICES

Rosters & working bee sign-up sheets

Kindly add your names where relevant to the service rosters for June and July, and for the parish working bee on Saturday 18 June, 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Focus on Faith & Friendship

This study group, hosted by Joan Sweet, is continuing to meet on Saturday mornings, 10.30am to 12 noon (except for Sat 18 June). All are invited to participate - call Joan for further information.

The Dining Room Mission

It is St John's TDRM team's turn to cook again this coming Tuesday 14th June. This time we will be serving Corned Beef with mashed potato and winter vegetables. We haven't done this one for a while and it is always well received!

We will prepare the mashed potatoes and vegetables at the church on Tuesday, so I just need a couple of volunteers to cook the Corned Beef this time. If you can help with the cooking please let me know ASAP. I will purchase the meat and deliver it to you.

We also need some volunteers in the church kitchen on Tuesday afternoon to help with cooking the potatoes and vegetables, serving the meals and clearing up afterwards. Please let me know if you are able to help.

Cathy

Mission Business Plan Working Group report

From the 2021 annual meeting reports:

At the November 2021 meeting, parish council agreed to a Site Strategic Analysis and the establishment of the Mission Business Plan Working Group to oversee that. The Site Strategic Analysis will help us be informed about how we might more effectively benefit from the parish site holistically: vicarage, kindergarten, carpark, church, meeting room, front lawn. Such an analysis will help the parish find a sustainable path forwards - one that generates ongoing income from appropriate commercial opportunities, while at the same time promoting the mission of St John's.

Clemonte Advisory was engaged to undertake the Site Strategic Analysis, and in turn recommended we engage Tract for town planning advice - which parish council agreed to. Tract's report clarified a heritage overlay anomaly - the overlay is shown as over the kindergarten and vicarage rather than the church building - and resolving this has delayed progress.

The Mission Business Plan working group meets on an ad hoc basis as needed, and tabled the following summary at May's parish council meeting:

There have been two meetings recently, one with Maroondah Council and one with Clemonte, Tract and Diocesan Services staff. The meeting outcomes are:

- The Heritage overlay is on the vicarage and kindergarten and is a technical error by Maroondah Council.

- b. The heritage overlay most likely needs to be over the church site and we expect Maroondah Council to apply the overlay accordingly. The question of whether Maroondah Council will apply an overlay over the whole site remains to be seen but there is a strong argument that such a move should be challenged by us.
- c. The heritage overlay has the effect of restricting building and demolition aspirations and any works will require a planning permit to proceed.
- d. The parish needs to establish its ideas for mission on the site ASAP (*see MAT report below*).
- e. Registry wants a wholistic plan developed to include the kindergarten and their needs, the vicarage and car park areas where the church is not an option for development.
- f. Some development *may* be possible in front of the church but this would require a limit to 2 stories and a design that did not hinder the view to the church windows. This would need further analysis with Maroondah Council.
- g. It was agreed to seek an opinion from a heritage consultant to provide us with a professional opinion regarding what our options may be in relation to the heritage overlay.
- h. Clemonite will provide a template to assist the parish to develop its ideas re the site.
- i. Ken to write back to Maroondah Council indicating the need to progress the heritage overlay question quickly and invite them to attend the site for a discussion in the next few weeks.

Mission Action Team (MAT) & Plan (MAP)

In March the parish council approved the parish's next MAP, drawn up by the Mission Action Team. This is displayed on the foyer noticeboard.

As it describes only the first few actions in a longer term plan, the MAT have been working on producing an outline of that bigger plan. This will be passed on to the Mission Business Plan working group, so that any development plans can take these requirements into account.

Also, there will be a sermon series starting within the next few weeks that will help us engage with this longer term plan and what it means for the parish to have a missional heart.