



## St John the Divine

*Eucharist service*

**5th Sunday after Pentecost**

10<sup>th</sup> July 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](http://www.stjohndivine.org.au)*

### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Hymn: God has spoken by his prophets

*George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959) alt. - tune: Ode To Joy*

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- 1. God has spoken by his prophets,  
spoken his unchanging word,  
each, from age to age proclaiming  
God, the one, the righteous Lord.  
In the world's despair and turmoil  
one firm anchor holds us fast:  
God is king, his throne eternal,  
God the first, and God the last.**
- 2. God has spoken by Christ Jesus,  
Christ, the everlasting Son,  
brightness of the Father's glory,  
with the Father ever one;  
spoken by the Word incarnate,  
God from God, ere time began,  
Light from Light, to earth descending,  
God, revealed as Son of Man.**
- 3. God is speaking by his Spirit,  
speaking to our hearts again,  
in the age-long word expounding  
God's own message, now as then,  
through the rise and fall of nations  
one sure faith yet standing fast;  
God still speaks, his word unchanging,  
God the first, and God the last.**

### Sentence

Do to others as you would have them do to you. Love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return.

*Luke 6.31, 35*

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.

Eternal God,  
you have taught us through Christ  
that love is the fulfilment of the law:  
help us to love you with all our heart, with all our soul,  
with all our mind, and with all our strength,  
and our neighbour as ourself;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from Amos 7.7-17

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."'

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my

people Israel.”  
‘Now therefore hear the word of the Lord.  
You say, “Do not prophesy against Israel,  
and do not preach against the house of Isaac.”  
Therefore, thus says the Lord:  
“Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city,  
and your sons and your daughters shall fall by  
the sword,  
and your land shall be parcelled out by line;  
you yourself shall die in an unclean land,  
and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.”’

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

#### Psalm 82

- 1 God has stood up in the council of heaven:  
in the midst of the gods he gives judgement.
- 2 **‘How long will you judge unjustly:  
and favour the cause of the wicked?’**
- 3 ‘Judge for the poor and fatherless:  
vindicate the afflicted and oppressed.
- 4 **‘Rescue the poor and needy:  
and save them from the hands of the wicked.**
- 5 ‘They do not know, they do not understand,  
they walk about in darkness:  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 **‘Therefore I say, “Though you are gods:  
and all of you children of the Most High,**
- 7 “Nevertheless you shall die like a mortal:  
and fall like one of the princes.”’
- 8 **Arise, O God, and judge the earth:  
for you shall take all nations as your possession.**

A reading from Paul’s letter to the church in Colossians  
1.1–14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and  
Timothy our brother,  
To the saints and faithful sisters and brothers in Christ in  
Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.  
In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father  
of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith  
in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the  
saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven.  
You have heard of this hope before in the word of the  
truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is  
bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has  
been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you  
heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This  
you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant.  
He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he  
has made known to us your love in the Spirit.  
For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not  
ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled  
with the knowledge of God’s will in all spiritual wisdom  
and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of  
the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every  
good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.  
May you be made strong with all the strength that comes

from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to  
endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving  
thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the  
inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us  
from the power of darkness and transferred us into the  
kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have  
redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

Hymn: Lord, you are the light of life to me  
*Brian Richard Hoare (b.1935) - tune: Fairmead*  
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1. **Lord, you are the light of life to me;  
when darkness hides my path, you help me see.  
Shine on me, O Lord, that now and all my days  
your light may lead me on, guiding my ways.**
2. **Lord, you are the rock on which I stand,  
stable and strong in you, held by your hand;  
keep me safe, O Lord, in weakness let there be  
your loving, firm embrace upholding me.**
3. **Lord, you are the truth that sets me free;  
only in you is found true liberty.  
Teach me then, O Lord, in all things to pursue  
your good and perfect will, growing like you.**
4. **Lord, you are the Lamb of God who died,  
suffering for love of me, scorned, crucified.  
Love me still, O Lord, let others daily see  
your selfless, serving love flowing through me.**
5. **Lord, you are the King who ever reigns;  
earth’s rulers rise and fall: your throne remains.  
Rule my life, O Lord, I yield myself anew  
your name to glorify, living for you.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
St Luke 10.25–37

#### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. ‘Teacher,’ he said, ‘what  
must I do to inherit eternal life?’ He said to him, ‘What is  
written in the law? What do you read there?’ He  
answered, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your  
heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength,  
and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.’  
And he said to him, ‘You have given the right answer; do  
this, and you will live.’

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, ‘And who  
is my neighbour?’ Jesus replied, ‘A man was going down  
from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of  
robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away,  
leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going  
down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on  
the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the  
place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a  
Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he  
saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and  
bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on  
them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to

an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

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

*Sermon*

Nicene Creed: We believe in God

*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926) - tune based on Brahms'  
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- 1. We believe in God the Father,  
God almighty, by whose plan  
earth and heaven sprang to being,  
all created things began.  
We believe in Christ the Saviour,  
Son of God in human frame,  
Virgin born, the child of Mary  
upon whom the Spirit came.**
- 2. Christ who on the cross forsaken,  
like a lamb to slaughter led,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
he descended to the dead.  
We believe in Jesus risen,  
heaven's king to rule and reign,  
to the Father's side ascended  
till as judge he comes again.**
- 3. We believe in God the Spirit;  
in one church, below, above:  
saints of God in one communion,  
one in holiness and love.  
So by faith, our sins forgiven,  
Christ our Saviour, Lord and friend,  
we shall rise with him in glory  
to the life that knows no end.**

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 is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

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.**

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

We are the body of Christ.

**His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Offertory hymn: When I needed a neighbour

*Sydney Carter (1915-2004) - tune: Neighbour  
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- 1. When I needed a neighbour,  
were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a neighbour, were you there?  
And the creed and the colour  
and the name won't matter,  
were you there?**
- 2. I was hungry and thirsty,  
were you there, were you there?  
I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?  
And the creed ...**
- 3. I was cold, I was naked,  
were you there, were you there?  
I was cold, I was naked, were you there?  
And the creed ...**
- 4. When I needed a shelter,  
were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a shelter, were you there?  
And the creed ...**
- 5. When I needed a healer,  
were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a healer, were you there?  
And the creed ...**
- 6. When they put me in prison,  
were you there, were you there?  
When they put me in prison, were you there?  
And the creed ...**
- 7. Wherever you travel, I'll be there, I'll be there,  
wherever you travel, I'll be there.  
And the creed and the colour  
and the name won't matter;  
I'll be there.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## 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.**

It is right to praise you, faithful God,  
always and everywhere,  
for with your only begotten Son  
and life-giving Spirit,  
you are the one true God  
from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing  
a universe of beauty and splendour,  
bringing light from darkness  
and order from chaos.

You formed us, female and male, in your image,  
and endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.

You called us by name and searched us out,  
making a covenant of mercy,  
giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you,  
joining with your faithful people  
of every time and place,  
singing the eternal song:  
**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.**

When the fullness of time was come,  
you sent your Son to be born of Mary.

Bright image of your glory,  
he learnt obedience to you in all things,  
even to death on a cross,  
breaking the power of evil,  
freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.

You raised him from death,  
exalting him to glory,  
and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed  
your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends,  
his companions on the way.

While at table he took bread,  
blessed, and broke it,  
and giving it to them, said:  
'Take, eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine,  
and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said,  
'This is my blood of the covenant,  
which is poured out for many.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command,  
we remember his life of obedience to you,  
his suffering and death,

his resurrection and exaltation,  
and his promise to be with us for ever.

With this bread and this cup

we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration  
that all who eat and drink at this table  
may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood  
to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people,  
may we proclaim the everlasting gospel  
of Jesus Christ our Lord,  
through whom, with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever.

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

As our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are confident 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.**

## 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.

## SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

Let us pray.

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.**

Hymn: Christ's is the world in which we move

John Bell (b.1949) & Graham Maule (b.1958)

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- 1. Christ's is the world in which we move;  
Christ's are the folk we're summoned to love;  
Christ's is the voice which calls us to care,  
and Christ is the one who meets us here.  
To the lost Christ shows his face,  
to the unloved he gives his embrace,  
to those who cry in pain or disgrace,  
Christ makes, with his friends,  
a touching place.**
- 2. Feel for the people we most avoid  
strange or bereaved or never employed.  
Feel for the women and feel for the men  
who fear that their living is all in vain.  
To the lost ...**
- 3. Feel for the parents who've lost their child,  
feel for the women whom men have defiled,  
feel for the baby for whom there's no breast,  
and feel for the weary who find no rest.  
To the lost ...**
- 4. Feel for the lives by life confused,  
riddled with doubt, in loving abused;  
feel for the lonely heart, conscious of sin,  
which longs to be pure but fears to begin.  
To the lost ...**

#### BLESSING & DISMISSAL

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.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

#### THE FIVE MARKS OF MISSION

(as per the Anglican Communion)

1. Proclaim the good news of the Kingdom.
2. Teach, baptise, and nurture new believers.
3. Respond to human need by loving service.
4. Transform unjust structures of society, challenge violence of every kind, and pursue peace and reconciliation.
5. Strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, sustain and renew the life of the earth.

#### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> July	<u>5th Sunday after Pentecost</u> 8am Eucharist 10am Eucharist (also live-streamed) 8pm AA meeting
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Vicar's day off 10.30am AI Anon meeting
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> July	1pm AA meeting 5.30pm community meal: TDRM (St John's team to cook)
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> July	10am Eucharist 10am Parish Network workshop 5.30pm community meal: Winter Shelter 7.30pm NA meeting
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30am AA meeting 11am Park Lane aged care communion 7.30pm Parish Council meeting 7.30pm AA meeting
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> July	10am Abe Cicero's funeral 12.30pm Safe Ministry level 3 training
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> July	7am AA meeting 10.30am Focus on Faith & Friendship 7pm Lai Christian Church
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<u>6th Sunday after Pentecost</u> 8am Eucharist 10am Eucharist (also live-streamed) 8pm AA meeting

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#### St John's TDRM team

It is our turn to cook again this coming Tuesday 12th July. We will do a pasta bake this time and once again we are calling on our wonderful volunteers to help with the cooking and the serving.

As usual the meat, pasta and foil trays will be available before or after the 10am service on Sunday. Alternatively we can deliver them to your door!

We also need volunteers in the church kitchen from about 4.30pm on Tuesday afternoon to assist with serving the meals and clearing up afterwards. Please let Cathy know if you can help.