

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 7am and 9am, 18 APRIL 2021

**WELCOME to St Peter's Church today**. I am delighted that we can join together in worship again.

If you are a newcomer or visiting, I especially look forward to meeting you and hope that you feel welcome. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask one of the greeters at the door, or someone in the pew next to you.

A Hearing Loop is available in all of the pews on the left hand side of the church. Toilets are available in the Lower Hall and there is a mobility access toilet in the David Armstrong Room.

Due to the threat of the Coronavirus, there are necessary restrictions on how we conduct public services. Please follow any instructions given in the pew sheet or during the service.

## With every blessing in Christ, Tim St Quintin, Rector

#### SERVICES TODAY

7.00AM EUCHARIST

CELEBRANT & PREACHER RECTOR

9.00AM SUNG EUCHARIST

CELEBRANT & PREACHER RECTOR
ORGANIST & CANTOR GLENN AMER
SETTING DUDMAN

10.30AM MODERN SERVICE WITH CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

BAPTISM OF EVA WESTON

CELEBRANT & PREACHER RECTOR
ORGANIST GLENN AMER

Please join us for morning tea in the David Armstrong Room after the service



#### **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Tune Praise, my soul

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed. healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Praise him, praise him, hallelujah, praise the everlasting king!

Praise him for his grace and favour to his people in distress; praise him still the same for ever. slow to chide, and swift to bless: praise him, praise him, hallelujah, glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes: praise him, praise him, hallelujah, widely as his mercy flows!

Frail as summer's flower we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone; but while mortals rise and perish God endures unchanging on. Praise him, praise him, hallelujah, praise the high eternal one!

Angels, help us to adore him, you behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space: praise him, praise him, hallelujah, praise with us the God of grace!

The Celebrant welcomes the people with a greeting.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

Christ is Risen indeed!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

#### **SENTENCE**

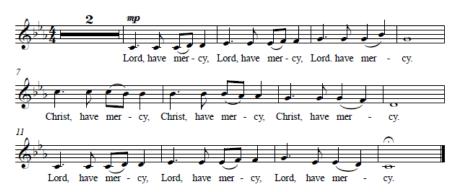
Turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord. *Acts 3:19-20* 

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.

#### **KYRIE ELEISON**

Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.



## THE CONFESSION

### Senior Server

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

#### Silence

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

#### 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.

## THE ABSOLUTION

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.

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

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.

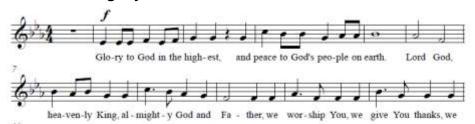
Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,

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.





#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Lord of life, by submitting to death, you conquered the grave; by being lifted upon the cross, you draw all peoples to you, by being raised from the dead, you restore to humanity all that was lost through sin: be with us in your risen power, that in word and deed we may proclaim the marvellous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. **Amen**.

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Acts 3:12-20

<sup>12</sup>When Peter saw this, he said to them: 'Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. <sup>14</sup> You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. <sup>15</sup> You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. <sup>16</sup> By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him,

as you can all see. <sup>17</sup> 'Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. <sup>18</sup> But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup> Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, <sup>20</sup> and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you – even Jesus.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 4:1-8**



- Answer me when I call, O | God of my | righteousness: you set me at liberty when I was in trouble, have mercy on | me and | hear my | prayer.
- 2 How long will you nobles dis | honour my | glory: how long will you love vain | things and | seek after | falsehood?
- But know that the Lord has shown me his | marvellous | kindness: when I call upon the | Lord, | he will | hear me.
- 4 Stand in | awe and | sin not:

  Commune with your own heart upon your | bed | and be | still.
- 5 Offer the | sacrifices of | righteousness: and | put your | trust in the | Lord.
- There are many that say, 'Who wilt show us any good':

  Lord, lift up the light of your countenance up on us.
- 7 You have put gladness | in my | heart: more than when their corn and | wine and | oil in | crease.
- 8 In peace I will lie | down and | sleep: for it is you Lord, only, who | make me | dwell in | safety

#### **SECOND READING**

A reading from the first letter of John 2:15-17, 3:1-6

<sup>15</sup> Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. <sup>16</sup> For everything in the world – the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life – comes not from the Father but from the world. <sup>17</sup> The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives for ever.

<sup>1</sup>See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup> Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup> But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. <sup>6</sup> No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL READING**

Please stand

Cantor

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

'I am the way, the truth and the life', says the Lord. 'No one comes to the Father except through me.'

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy gospel according to John 14:1-14 **▼ Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ** 



'Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. <sup>4</sup> You know the way to the place where I am going.' 5 Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' 6 Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.' 8 Philip said, 'Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.' 9 Jesus answered: 'Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? 10 Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. 11 Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. 12 Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

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



SERMON Please sit Way, Truth, Life.

**HYMN** 

Tune Christ Lag in Todesbanden

Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands for our offences given; but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heaven: let us then with iov adore and thank our God for evermore. and sing loud hallelujahs.

Hallelujah!

It was a strange and awesome strife when life and death contended; the victory remained with life, the rule of death was ended: stripped of power, no more it reigns, an empty form alone remains: death's sting is gone for ever.

Hallelujah!

So let us keep the festival, our Lord himself invites us; Christ is the Lamb, the joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us; through the glory of his grace all darkness must today give place, the night of sin is ended.

Hallelujah!

Then let us feast this holy day on the true bread of heaven. the word of grace has purged away the old and wicked leaven. Christ alone our souls can feed, he is our food and drink indeed, faith lives upon no other.

Hallelujah!

#### THE NICENE CREED

Senior Server Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

All stand

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.

Please sit or kneel

#### A PRAYER FOR ST PETER'S DURING THIS YEAR OF DISCERNMENT

Heavenly Father, pour down your Holy Spirit upon this parish family of St Peter.

We give thanks that you have called us to a ministry of servanthood to all people and especially to each other.

Help us, we pray, to discern your vision for us; teach us to use the gifts you have given us to build your kingdom in this place and to reach out to all those in our communities.

We ask through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Periods of silence may be briefly kept for personal prayer.

Each petition ends with this response:

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

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

#### PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All stand

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

1 John 3:1

- We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.
- We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.
- Grant us, therefore gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. 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.

All are invited to greet those immediately around them with the words, "Peace be with you" "And also with you".

#### 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.

He is the true Paschal Lamb who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him in triumph from the dead.

By his death, he has destroyed death and by his rising to life again has restored us to eternal life.

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.



And now, gracious God, we thank you for these gifts of bread and wine, and pray that we who receive them, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, according to our Saviour's word, in remembrance of his suffering and death, may share his body and blood.

On the night before he died, 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.'

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.

#### Cantor

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith,

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



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



#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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.

#### **AGNUS DEI**

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.



#### INVITATION

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.

All other communicants move forward and receive the Holy Communion. As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. **Amen**.

All communicants of other churches are invited to join us in the sharing of Holy Communion. If you are not a communicant we encourage you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by holding your hands behind your back as you kneel or stand at the communion rail. As the sacrament is received the communicant responds: **Amen.** 

After taking communion the congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

#### COMMUNION

#### **SENTENCE**

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives for ever.

1 John 2:15,17

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Let us pray.

God of the nations, we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament. Guide us by your presence, that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness, and establish your justice in the earth.

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. Amen

#### **NOTICES**

#### PRAYER FOR OFFERTORY

Gracious God, all things come from you, and you teach us to be generous with what we have. We pray that our gifts may be wisely used for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

#### **GOD'S BLESSING**

#### Celebrant

Almighty God, who redeemed us through the resurrection of Christ, who raised us to newness of life through the waters of baptism, and has brought us out of slavery into everlasting freedom, give you joy and peace in faith and bring you into your eternal inheritance; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

#### **DISMISSAL**

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

#### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Tune Dam Busters March

God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble; and we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change, though mountains shake and tremble, though swirling waters are raging: God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.

There is a flowing river within God's holy city,
God is in the midst of her,
she shall not be moved.
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence;
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.

Come, see the works of our maker, learn of his deeds all-powerful: wars will cease across the world when he shatters the spear. be still and know your creator, uplift him in the nations; God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.

#### **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

The sanctuary party leaves and the congregation sits.

As a courtesy to those who remain in the church to listen to the organ voluntary in its entirety, you are encouraged to enjoy conversation and fellowship outside the building. The voluntary is a liturgical musical offering to God.

A basket for offertory contributions to the ongoing ministry of St Peter's is available at the entrance to the church building.

NEXT SUNDAY 25 APRIL – EASTER 4/ANZAC DAY 9.30AM COMBINED CONGREGATIONS' SERVICE CELEBRANT & PREACHER: REV'D TIM ST QUINTIN

## **WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS**

#### THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Geoffrey our Primate, Bishop Peter our Diocesan Administrator, Chris our Bishop and the Northern Region. For the Church of Ireland.

#### ST PETER'S PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Rector Rev'd Tim St Quintin. Pray for St Peter's during our Year of Discernment. For Lay Pastor Liam McKenna and the parishioners of Neutral Bay Uniting.

#### THE WIDER WORLD AND LOCAL COMMUNITY

For world peace and for all world leaders in their responsibility to those under their care. For our Governor General, our State Governor, Prime Minister and Premier, and all who have responsibility for government administration. For the teachers, nurses and emergency service personnel who serve our local community.

#### **OUR PARISHIONERS**

Russ and Mary, Iain and Margot, Margaret, Jim and Marty, Ross and Yoshiko, Shirley, Bruce and Marion, Jane, Makito, Laura and Taylor, Phillip, Kate, Andrew and Olivia, Tim.

#### THE SICK

The immediate sick Christine, Daphne, Judy, Peter, Janne, Pamela.

Those requiring on-going prayer

June, Noel and Anne, Peter, Max, Dan, Susan, Penelope, Margie and Rein, Caroline, Sharon, Bobbie Dee, Inga, Joy, Elizabeth, Vatche, Gigi, Frank, Judith, Jenny, Sally.

Those in residential care Peter and Patricia; Glenyth; Ros.

#### **FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

We praise God for his faithful servants in every age. We pray that we, with all who have died in the faith of Christ, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of God's eternal kingdom. We remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK APRIL 2021

Tuesday 20	10.00am	Eucharist followed by morning tea
		- Fr Antony Weiss
	10.30am-12.30pm	The Crafters – DA room
Wednesday 21	9.30am	Pastoral Care meeting – DA room
Friday 23	Rev'd Tim's day of rest	

#### MINI CAKE AND PRODUCE STALL RESULT

A wonderful result from the stall last Sunday - thanks to everyone who supported it. \$211.00 was counted on Sunday and a little more is now to hand. This will go to Taldumande Youth Services in North Sydney helping local teenagers in need. Covid restricted our fundraising last year so it is pleasing to see things picking up so well. Thank you. Edwina Waddy - Mission Secretary.

#### THE CRAFTERS RESUME MEETINGS

The Crafters will meet on Tuesday 20 April in the David Armstrong Room from 10.30am-12.30pm. New members are always welcome.



### PRE-SYNOD BRIEFING - ANGLICANS TOGETHER



Anglicans Together will hold a pre-Synod briefing and discussion at <u>6pm-7.30pm on Wednesday 28 April, in the in St James Hall, Level 1, 169–171 Phillip Street, Sydney.</u>

All Synod Representatives from supporting parishes (AT membership not required), as well as any interested Anglicans Together members, are most welcome to attend. RSVPs not required. This will be a valuable opportunity to share thoughts on the election of our next Archbishop on the night after the Zoom presentations by the four contenders.

## **ETERNAL LIGHT REQUIEM**

Stefan's choir, *Joubert Singers Sydney*, presents its first "normal" concert on 2 May at 3pm in the church hall of Hunters Hill Holy Name of Mary. The concert features the magnificent *Eternal Light Requiem* by the contemporary, well known British composer Howard Goodall. Tickets available at <a href="https://www.joubertsingers.org.au/">https://www.joubertsingers.org.au/</a>

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