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Second Sunday after Pentecost



The Temptation 1899. William Strang (1859-1921) was a Scottish painter and printmaker, notable for illustrating the works of Bunyan, Coleridge and Kipling. Tate Britain.

Welcome to St Philip's

Check-in: it is a requirement that everyone checks in via the *CBR Check In* app. If you need assistance the Sidespeople/Welcomers can check you in.

If you are unsure of current restrictions the ACT Chief Health officer's latest update (3 June) can be found at: https://health.act.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-06/COVID-

<u>19%20Advice%20for%20high%20risk%20settings</u> <u>03062021.pdf</u> There is a printed copy in the porch.

Pewsheet & Order of Service: the Pewsheet including a complete order of service with hymns is available on our website. The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition, please use your phone/tablet and follow along. Alternatively hymn books, service cards and printed abridged Pewsheet is available.

Offertory: at the offertory when our gifts are brought forward, there is an opportunity for you to make your contribution. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer, you can use it before or after the service. St Philip's EFT details are also available if you would like to make a direct transfer. Giving cards are in the foyer if you would like to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically.

Communion: if you are baptised you are welcome to receive communion. If you would like to receive a blessing please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

Breakfast or Morning Tea: all our services are followed with hospitality in the Lamerton Centre, please join us - 'Come & See"

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

The ongoing situation in Victoria with the spread of COVID19 is a concern to us all and a reminder that the pandemic is far from over, even as more and more of us are vaccinated. As Parish Council meets this week it will be a matter for deliberation. Please be mindful of your own situation, as I am writing there are a number of sites of concern not so far from the ACT.

We are now entering into the great season of the Church in the Spirit. The liturgical colour changes to green and we look to forward to growth and renewal. In the Catholic Church these weeks are known Ordinary Time and some have felt this is an inadequate description – given the modern use of ordinary. However at its etymological root, the word "ordinary" has a rich meaning, far beyond the usual understanding of humdrum, commonplace or everyday. The word has its source in a Sanskrit, or Indo-European, word, which entered into Latin as the verb *orior*, meaning to rise up, to be stirred up and to grow. The word for "east" in Latin, *oriens*, conveys the same rich meaning: It indicates the rising of the sun. Hence, Ordinary Time is the opportunity to allow the Lord to stir up our faith, to allow our spirits to rise and to grow in our spiritual life. The colour green brings this meaning to the fore, since it is a colour that evokes life and growth.

It is tempting to be tentative in times such as these. We wonder what will occur; will we once again be impacted directly by the pandemic? But this is not our way. We must always be looking for opportunity to grow and be renewed, we have an important ministry at times of uncertainty and concern to paraphrase Esther: 'And who knows but that we have been called for such a time as this?' If you'd like an opportunity to be renewed in your faith journey check out our forthcoming study - *Winter Journey* in the 'For Reflection' section of this week's pew sheet.

Blessings to you all **Martin**0478 619 911
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Today's Liturgy

Introit Hymn 179 TiS (10am)
Praise with joy the world's Creator,
God of justice, love and peace,
source and end of human knowledge,
force of goodness without cease.
Celebrate the Maker's glory,
Power to rescue and release.

Praise the Son who feeds the hungry, frees the captive, finds the lost, heals the sick, upsets religion, fearless both of fate and cost.
Celebrate Christ's constant presence - Friend and Stranger, Guest and Host.

Praise the Spirit sent among us, liberating truth from pride, forging bonds where race or gender, age or nation dare divide. Celebrate the Spirit's treasure - foolishness none dare deride.

Praise the Maker, Son and Spirit, one God in community, calling Christians to embody oneness and diversity.
Thus the world shall yet believe, when shown Christ's vibrant unity.

John Bell 1949- & Graham Maule 1958-

Entrance Antiphon

'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

Mark 3:34-35

In the name of the Father, ♣ and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

'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.

'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.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

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.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, give us such a vision of your purpose,

and such an assurance of your love and power, that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of Genesis (3:8-15)

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' ¹⁰He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' ¹¹He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' ¹²The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' ¹³Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' ¹⁴The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this,

cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

Psalm 130

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:

Lord, hear my voice;

O let your ears consider well: the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong: who then, O Lord, could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you: so that you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him: and in his word is my hope.

My soul looks for the Lord: more than watchmen for the morning, more, I say, than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is ample redemption.

He will redeem Israel: from the multitude of his sins.

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians (4:13-5:5)

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling— ³if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. ⁴For while

we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

Gradual Hymn 390 TiS (10am)

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord, alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth; he is the king of creation. *Refrain*.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*.

We have been crucified with Christ. now we shall live for ever. *Refrain*.

God has proclaimed his gracious gift: new life for all! Alleluia! *Refrain*.

Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour. *Refrain.*

Donald E Fishel 1950-

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him: and in his word is my hope.

Alleluia! (8am)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (3:20-25)

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— ³⁰for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' ³³And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Let us 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, *A and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember those in need, particularly: Ros, Ben, Gage, Hugh, Sarah, Tien, Myrle, Margot, David, Otto, Joan, Mandy, and Bob, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital, residential or home care and those from whom we are isolated.

We commend to God the recently departed especially Debbie Kensey and Baden Williams, those whose year's mind falls at this time: Marie Lewis (7/6/2001), Gordon Arthur - bishop (9/6/1992), Rosemary Haseler (11/6/1997) and Mary Spencer (12/06/2019) all those whose memories are dear to us, and those who have no one to remember them.

The flowers in church today are given by the McCaskie family, in loving memory of June and John Carnahan.

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.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, [Refrain]

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, [Refrain]

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, [Refrain]

For each perfect gift divine to our race so freely given, graces all of your design, flowers of earth and buds of heaven, [Refrain]

For the church that evermore, lifting holy hands above,

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

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.

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 thanks and praise, glory and honour, be yours at all times, in every place, holy and loving father, true and living God.

We praise you that through your eternal Word you brought the universe into being and made us in your own image.

You have given us this earth to care for and delight in, and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race with the promises of a gracious covenant and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all we give you thanks for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ: born as one of us, he lived our common life and offered his life to you in perfect obedience and trust.

By his death he delivered us from sin, brought us new life, and reconciled us to you and to one another.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth and full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy God, we thank you

for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that we who eat and drink them in obedience to our Saviour Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, may be partakers of his body and blood, and be made one with him and with each other in peace and love.

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.'

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament,
renew us by your Holy Spirit
that we may be united in the body of your Son
and serve you as a royal priesthood
in the joy of your eternal kingdom

Receive our praises Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom and in whom,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
we worship you in songs of never-ending praise:
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 Bread and 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.

Communion Antiphon

We look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:18

Let us pray:
Gracious God,
we thank you that in this sacrament
you assure us of your goodness and love.
Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving
and help us to grow in love and obedience
that we may serve you in the world
and finally be brought to that table
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

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.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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, Φ 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.

Recessional Hymn 595 (Tune 15) TiS (10am)

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; Lord, be for ever near me, my master and my friend: I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

Still let me feel you near me; the world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle and tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw me nearer and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; Lord, speak to reassure me, to chasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, true guardian of my soul.

Lord, let me see your footmarks and in them plant my own; that I may follow boldly and in your strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend.

John Ernest Bode, 1816-74

For Reflection

The story of Adam and Eve, their encounter with the serpent and the apple, and their eventual exile from the Garden of Eden, is a bedrock of cultural history. From that narrative St Augustine in the 5th century developed the theory of 'Original Sin' and from there we have theories of atonement, as we try to understand the undoing of that original sin through the reconciliation won for us by Christ.

St Paul in the 5th Chapter of the letter to the Romans describes Jesus as the second Adam – 'For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.' Jesus was, as Paul says in his Philippian correspondence, 'obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross.'

In the 12th century Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury sought to make meaning of the crucifixion of Jesus. In the feudal times of Anselm, an offence against a high ranking person had to be addressed by another high ranking person. It followed logically for him that an offence against God required atonement by Jesus, sent by God to undo the disobedience of Adam and to save humanity held in the thrall of original sin.

Anselm's theology rather took on a life of its own and in the centuries that followed there developed an increasingly narrow focus in the Western Church on the significance of Jesus' death as necessary to atone for our sins, it remains so to this day.

But St Paul has some other things to say. In the 8th chapter of Romans he writes that: 'the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay, and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.' For Paul the creation itself will be redeemed, this requires of us to reconsider. How does the death of Jesus redeem the created order?

Winter is now upon us. It is time to catch up on some reading, time to do some thinking. It is a time for growth in the Church's year, a time for renewal. To that end we are soon to begin a 7 week course of study – **Winter Journey.** In July and August we will be reading together a book by American theologian Elizabeth Johnson called 'Creation and the Cross: The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril.' The book is divided into an introduction and six chapters and each week we will look at a chapter. We will gather together at the beginning and the end of the study, but the 7 weeks of conversation will be held via Zoom and each session will be around one hour.

This course is for all folk irrespective of your knowledge or experience. It endeavours to answer some of the important questions of Christian faith in the context of our current debates over the environment. If you are thinking about Confirmation, Reaffirming your faith, being received into the Anglican Church, or simply broadening your knowledge this is a great opportunity. Canon Scott and I will co-lead the course and in September Bishop Stephen Pickard will join us for a Sunday celebration and come alongside those who wish take this next step in their Christian journey.

The book is available for purchase on line, for your Kindle and also as an audiobook. Check it out at: https://www.amazon.com.au/Creation-Cross-Mercy-Planet-Peril/dp/162698266X There will be more information in next week's pew sheet and the opportunity to register. When we have an idea

of numbers we'll plan meeting times to suit. In the meantime if you would like to know more, call or drop me an email. Blessings, *Martin*.

News

The funeral of Dr Baden Williams, whom many of you knew, will be held on Wednesday this week at noon at the Norwood Park Crematorium Chapel. We assure his family of our thoughts and prayers.

Bridging the Gap – Breaking the Cycle. Each week St Philip's donates non-perishable food items to St John's Care in Reid. The baskets at the back of the church are ready to receive your donations! This week there is a need for oats, 1L full cream long life milk, 1L lactose free - long life milk, tomato sauce, pasta meals. Please ensure that what you donate is new, and check the use by dates on foodstuffs, thank you.

This week @ St Philip's

Today Second Sunday after Pentecost

8am **Eucharist**

10am **Eucharist with Hymns**

Tuesday 8 June Feria

2pm **Eucharist** – Sir Leslie Morshead Manor

Wednesday 9 June Columba of Iona, abbot & missionary (d.597)

Noon Funeral – Baden Williams, Norwood Park.

7pm Parish Council

Thursday 10 June Feria

10am Eucharist & Baptism

Saturday 12 June Feria

10am-1pm Pandora's - OPEN 11am **Eucharist** - Kankinya

Sunday 13 June Third Sunday after Pentecost

8am Eucharist

10am **Eucharist with Hymns**

6-Jun-21

Readings: Ezekiel 17:22-24, Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15, 2 Corinthians 5:6-17, Mark 4:26-34

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Rosters

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	Sunday of Month	1st	2nd	3rd		
	Liturgical Season	2nd Sunday after Pentecost	3rd Sunday after Pentecost	4th Sunday after Pentecost		
	Flowers	Flower Team	Flower Team	Flower Team		
8am	Celebrant	Rev'd Canon Scott	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin		
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)			Rev'd Canon Scott		
	Sidespeople	Margaret & Russell	Alison & Alistair	volunteers		
	Liturgical Assistant	Lisa C	Ellie P			
	1st Bible reader - OT	Russell M	Alison D	Brian McK		
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Margaret M	Alistair D	Rebecca P		
10am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Canon Scott		
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)	Rev'd Canon Scott				
	Sidespeople & Welcomer	Denise M, Nirmal F & Fred A	Helen & Hardy P & Laura W	Janene B, Jeannette McH & Richard G		
	Liturgical Assistant		Rebecca K	Rev'd Martin		
	Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist	Colin F	Colin F	Colin F		
	1st Bible reader - OT	Ashton R	Colin D	David R		
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Fiona D	Fred A	Jeanette D-T		
	Morning Tea	Helen P	Janene B	Jan G		
			Queen's Birthday Public			