

This coming week @ St Philip's

Monday	St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre - including Lunch
Thursday	10am Holy Communion
Friday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion 7 - 8.30pm St Pip's Youth Group
Saturday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion
Saturday	10.30am Holy Communion @ Kankinya
Sunday	8am Holy Communion
Sunday	10am Holy Communion
Sunday	12.00pm Home Group - Lamerton Centre

Prayer Points

For those in need: Roger Sharp; Barbara Dowley; Grace Barnes; Betty Heaton; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge.

Those we remember: Jo Johnson (1/6/04); Marie Lewis (7/6/01); Gordon Arthur (9/6/92); Rosemary Haseler (11/6/97).

For Next Sunday - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Holy Communion

Sidesperson

Vicky Luker

Reader & Readings

Rhonda Evans: 1 Kings 21.1-21a; Galatians 2.15-21,

Liturgical Assistant

10am

Holy Communion

Flowers

The Flower Roster Ladies

Presiding & Preaching

Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

Organist

Colin Forbes

Chalice

Doreen Odom & Volunteer

Morning tea:

Welcomer

Davidson Family

Liturgical Assistant

Linda Anchell

Crucifer

Leighton Mann

Sidespeople

Jan & Tim Gulliver

Readers & Readings

Linda Anchell: 1 Kings 21.1-21a

Kerry-Anne Cousins: Galatians 5.15-21

Doreen Odom & family



St Philip's *Come & See*

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Sunday 5 June 2016

Third Sunday after Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 105, 665 (1-3/4-5), 596 & 106

Sentence

A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people!
Luke 7.16

Prayer of the day

O God, the consoler of the afflicted, you illumine the mystery of suffering and death by the light that shines from the face of Christ: grant that, in all the trials of our earthly pilgrimage, we may remain united to your Son in his passion, so that there may be revealed in us the power of his resurrection; for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

1 Kings 17.8-16; Psalm 146; Galatians 1.11-24; Luke 7.11-17

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Roster Ladies

Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

8am Sidesperson: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson;
Bible Reader: John Girdlestone;

10am Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Sally Adams and Volunteer;
Preaching & Presiding: Rev Dr Colin Dundon; Liturgical Assistant: Sarah Gowty; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible readers: Jack Adams (OT), Fred Anchell (NT); Chalices: Denise Manley & James Kim; Morning Tea: Rebecca Palethorpe & family

Psalm 146

- 1 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul:
while I live I will praise the Lord;
- 2 While I have any being:
I will sing praises to my God.
- 3 Put not your trust in princes:
nor in flesh and blood, which cannot save.
- 4 For when their breath goes from them, they return again to the earth:
and on that day all their thoughts perish.
- 5 Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob:
whose hope is in the Lord their God,
- 6 The God who made heaven and earth:
the sea, and all that is in them,
- 7 Who keeps faith for ever:
who deals justice to those that are oppressed.
- 8 The Lord gives food to the hungry:
and sets the captives free.
- 9 The Lord gives sight to the blind:
the Lord lifts up those that are bowed down.
- 10 The Lord loves the righteous:
the Lord cares for the stranger in the land.
- 11 He upholds the widow and the fatherless:
as for the way of the wicked, he turns it upside down.
- 12 The Lord shall be king for ever:
your God, O Zion, shall reign through all generations. Praise the Lord.

From the Locum Tenens Rector

Psalm 146

As we move towards the end of the Psalter the themes of the closing psalms (146-150) centre around praise. In praise we publicly express our appreciation of the virtues, greatness or performance of someone or something. We can praise a person, an art work or even a car we have rebuilt. Praise celebrates what such things bring into our lives.

In the Psalms the psalmists publicly express their appreciation of the character, greatness and performance of the LORD. This particular psalm celebrates God's care for the world and its inhabitants.

The poet begins by asking the congregation to join him in praising the LORD (1-2). It begins and ends with this refrain. The psalmist finds what he is about to reveal is deserving of life-long praise. His whole life is devoted to celebrating the LORD.

Why would that be? Unlike the powerful of the earth, the 'princes', the

military, the economic managers, God's promises are utterly trustworthy. Humans who rule are mortal (3-4). Mortality limits their power and distorts their own view of themselves. This is a constant theme in scripture (Isaiah 31.1-3). They are not worthy of ultimate trust or praise.

On the other hand the entire universe is God's creation, including all the inhabitants of heaven, earth, and the sea (6).

This same creator has not wound the universe up and let it go. The LORD keeps faith with his creation and that means he has a keen interest in how human beings conduct themselves towards each other. The good of human society is a key feature of God's reign and it is too important to be left to mortals (7-9).

Providing justice for the oppressed, caring for the poor, releasing prisoners, and seeing to the needs of strangers and refugees, widows and orphans are God's standard of righteousness. Thus they are the standard for Israel. They are the values and standards that undergird any civilized society.

But they derive from the character of God and we cannot sustain them without finding in the LORD our hope and our help.

Singing God's praises is sometimes confined to worship times like Sunday morning. This psalmist is inviting us to live the praise all our lives. Praise is living. We sing our vocation, our duty, our delight as outlined in the psalm. We are people of praise as we live (verses 7-9).

The hope expressed in the psalm is intellectually outrageous and subversive. The ministry of justice, hospitality, liberation, healing and compassion is the bane of the rulers of this world. That is why we shout in praise.

Question: How can we better praise God both in worship and our lives? How can we express the ministry of justice, hospitality, liberation, healing and compassion in our lives? How is praise subversive?

Colin

St Philip's Calendar

<http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php>

Sunday 12 June 12-2.30

Home Group – Lamerton Centre

Friday 24 June 5-7pm

Happy Hour – Lamerton Centre

Theme: Significant birthdays & anniversaries 2016

Sunday 10 July 12-2.30

Home Group – Lamerton Centre

Notices

Please see the website, www.stphilipsoconnor.org.au or the noticeboard in the foyer.

TODAY: Local Mission Project 2016 – Common Ground, Canberra.

Donation envelopes provided or EFT to BSB: 702389, Acc No: 05202512, Name: St Philip's Anglican Church, Ref: Local mission project. You should find a pre-labeled envelope in your pewsheets with all payment/donation details noted on it.

ACORN ALERT

- It is that time of year again when the falling acorns on the paths and nature strip at the front of the church present a risk of accidents. Parish Council will approach Territory and Municipal Services (TAMS) when the acorns have stopped falling and it is our experience that they then come promptly to clear them up. IN THE MEANTIME Parish Council would ask parishioners to be alert and very careful when walking on the nature strip and pathways along Moorhouse Street.
- **TODAY, 2.00pm. The combined church choir of Holy Cross Anglican and St Margaret's Uniting, Hackett and their friends will sing the choir's favourite church songs from the last 20 years, old and new, from a range of ecumenical backgrounds. Entry by donation. Afternoon tea in the interval. Cnr Phillip Avenue and Antill Street, Hackett. Enter from Antill Street.**
- BRAIDWOOD BOOK FAIR June long weekend, Friday 10th – Sunday 12th June 2016, 9am to 4pm daily. Monday 13th - 9am – 2pm National Theatre, Wallace St, Braidwood. Notice on the notice board.