



The Touch, Aaron and Alan Hicks

The second Sunday after Pentecost Sunday 11 June 2023

Welcome to St Philip's

We acknowledge the Ngambri and Ngunnawal people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we worship, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present and emerging. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who worship with us.

St Philip's COVIDSafe Plan We are asking folk not attend church if they feel unwell, to be aware of their hand hygiene and to be mindful of social distance. Thank you. Masks are available for those who wish to wear one.

Pew sheet & Order of Service: the full Pew sheet with more news and reflections 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. Service cards, Pew Bibles and Prayer Books are also 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: 702-389 05202512. Giving cards are in the foyer if you wish 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.

If you'd like to volunteer as a reader, sidesperson, welcomer or another role on the Roster, then please email rosters@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

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Rector: The Rev'd Martin Johnson



From the Rector

Dear Friends

Welcome to the season of the Spirit, the longest season in the liturgical calendar. The return to green, the colour of growth and begin the journey of growing together in the power of this spirit that has been bestowed on us. Last Sunday we were able to rest in a meditation on the Trinity offered by Rebecca Kleinig, thank you Rebecca. A sign of things to come perhaps as we reflect on the Spirit in our lives. This is after all the foundation of our 'Missional Spirituality.'

On Thursday this week we will celebrate the life of an Anglican Mystic of the 20th century, Evelyn Underhill. I find her writing and her personality warm, encouraging and accessible; can I encourage you to read something of her life and work during this week as we begin this season of discernment together.

Blessings to you all., Martin

Eucharist for the second Sunday after Pentecost

Introit Hymn 193(TiS) (10am)

God, you are clothed with light, as with a garment fair, and in your holy sight the saints your beauty wear; the heavens and all therein express the glory of your holiness.

Give me a robe of light that I may walk with you; bright as the stars are bright, pure as their light is pure; Whose texture sin shall never stain, but ever undefiled remain.

But can a sinner dare, in rags, and sore ashamed, lift up to God the prayer which now my lips have framed, while glowing seraphs fold their wings, and pour their sinless offerings?

O Christ, I lift mine eyes; your love for me I own; in your great sacrifice remains my hope alone; the robe is mine, my soul to dress, of everlasting righteousness.

Entrance Antiphon

Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.

Matthew 9:12-13

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

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.

Let us confess 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 \maltese 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.

Gloria

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 righthand 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

Let us pray:

O God, you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Saviour: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of the prophet Hosea (5:15-6:6)

I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favour:

Come, let us return to the Lord;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;

he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

- ² After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.
- ³ Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers,

like the spring rains that water the earth.'

⁴ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.

⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,

I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgement goes forth as the light.

⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt-offerings.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50:7-15

'Listen my people, and I will speak:

O Israel, I am God your God, and I will give my testimony.

'It is not for your sacrifices that I reprove you: for your burnt-offerings are always before me.

'I will take no bull from your farms: or he-goat from your pens.

`For all the beasts of the forest belong to me: and so do the cattle upon the mountains.

'I know all the birds of the air:

and the grasshoppers of the field are in my sight.

'If I were hungry, I would not tell you: for the whole world is mine, and all that is in it.

'Do I eat the flesh of bulls: or drink the blood of goats?

'Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving: and pay your vows to the Most High.

'Call upon me in the day of trouble:

I will bring you out, and you shall glorify me.'

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans (4:13-25)

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' 19He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' ²³Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn 737(TiS) (10am)

Lord Jesus Christ, Lover of all, Trail wide the hem of your garment. Bring healing, bring peace.

John Bell 1949-

Gradual (8am)

Alleluia,

Alleluia!

Listen my people, and I will speak: O Israel, I am God your God, and I will give my testimony. Psalm 50:7

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' 12But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' 19And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. 20Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion,24he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district. For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ben, Hugh, Sarah, David, Otto, Bob, Noel, Deborah, Sue, Molly, Katherine, Matt, Wendy, David & Margot, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital or care.

We commend to God the recently departed especially Georgia Gladman and Joan Cooper, those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Rosemary Haseler (11/6/1997) and Trish Young (13/6/2001), the victims of war and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those remembered by God.

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 one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn 693(TiS) (10am)

Come as you are, that's how I want you Come as you are, feel quite at home Close to my heart, loved and forgiven Come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits No need to fear, love never ends Don't run away, shamed and disheartened Rest in my love, trust me again

I came to call sinners, not just the righteous I came to bring peace, not to condemn Each time you fail, to live by my promise Why do you think, I'd love you the less?

Come as you are, that's how I love you Come as you are, trust me again Nothing can change, the love that I bear you All will be well, just come as you are.

Deidre Browne 1936-

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.

Lord,
Look with love on our service.
Accept the gifts we bring
and help us grow in Christian love.
In Christ we pray.

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.

O God, eternal Wisdom, all you have made is beautiful and good.

We thank you for darkness and light, for this earth and for our bodies, for growth and change and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination.

In every generation you befriend your people. You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets, and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away.

You were vindicated in your servant Jesus who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace. Though we rejected him, death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love.

You raised him up for us, the firstborn from the dead, to build a new community of hope where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends.

And so we praise you with Mary, mother of the living Word, and with all your faithful friends, as we join the angels' 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.

God of the feast, your household is hungry for the bread of heaven and the cup of life. Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration, so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it to share with them, and said: "Take and eat this: it is my body."

Then he took a cup of wine.

Again he thanked you and told them:
"Drink this, all of you: it is my blood, shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven.

Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me."

So we delight to remember Jesus: the faithfulness of his life, the victory of his cross, the glory of his resurrection, the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.

We proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God, holy Wisdom, merciful and generous, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Make us good stewards of creation, with justice in our hearts, courage in our actions and power in our speech to bear witness to the truth.

Protect us with your glory, unite your church in loyalty and love, and bring us home with all your saints to feast with you for ever.
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, and in the Spirit's grace, with heart and soul and mind and strength we love and worship you alone, O God, 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

As this broken bread was once many grains which have been gathered together and made one bread:

So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into our kingdom.

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

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving: and pay your vows to the Most High.

Psalm 50:14

The sending out of God's people

Let us pray:
Living God,
in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
nay the power of your love,
which we have heard in word and sacrament
continue your saving work among us,

give us courage for our pilgrimage, and bring us to the joys you promise. 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 mind 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 the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional hymn 665(TiS) (10am)

Jesus Christ is waiting,
Waiting in the streets;
No one is his neighbour,
All alone he eats.
Listen, Lord Jesus,
I am lonely too.
Make me, friend or stranger,
Fit to wait on you

Jesus Christ is raging, Raging in the streets, Where injustice spirals And real hope retreats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too. In the Kingdom's causes Let me rage with you.

Jesus Christ is healing, Healing in the streets; Curing those who suffer, Touching those he greets. Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too. Let my care be active, Healing just like you.

Jesus Christ is dancing, Dancing in the streets, Where each sign of hatred He, with love, defeats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too. On suspicion's graveyard Let me dance with you.

Jesus Christ is calling, Calling in the streets, "Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet." Listen, Lord Jesus, Let my fears be few. Walk one step before me;

News

St John's Care is seeking the following for its pantry: Small packets of sultanas, school lunch snacks, sweet biscuits, cooking oil, shampoo and conditioner The website: https://www.stjohnscare.org.au/ provides information on how we can help.

St Philip's Rosters We are always looking for volunteers to assist with the various rostered roles that support our worship services. We need more assistance in the sanctuary, this can be any of the following roles: Liturgical assistant, Crucifer, Server and/or Communion Server. We are also looking for people who can operate the screen during a service, this is an easy job you can do from the pew! Training is available for any of the above tasks. Please chat to Martin or Leighton if you can assist in any way.

The Men's Group will gather for a BEST breakfast (Bacon, egg, sausage and tomato!) on Saturday 17 June at 7.30am. The speaker will be The Revd Michael Cockayne from the Celebration Community in Queanbeyan.

At **Pandora's** we are very keen to promote the re-using, repairing and recycling of clothing - think rotary closet! We support local, national and international charities and organisations and have a dedicated team of volunteers from within the parish and beyond. This year Refugee Week is celebrated from 18-24 June - World Refugee Day (20 June) is an international day designated by the United Nations to honour refugees around the globe. Next Saturday, 17 June, we will be donating all our proceeds to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre. As a parish let's get behind this event and donate and/or come along on Saturday to our 'pop up' fundraiser for ASRC. Pandora's is open on Saturdays 10am to 1pm.

The next session of 'An Introduction to Missional Spirituality' will be held on Saturday June 24. To help us engage with the material and with each other we will begin at 10.30am and break for lunch at 12.30. The session will conclude at 2.30pm. If you can't make it for all the session, please come when you can and leave when you must.

Reflection

by Malcolm Guite, Chaplain Girton College Cambridge.

Girton, my college, is beginning to build up to its peculiar exam-term intensity. The buzz of conversation usually to be heard in the college "social hub" café has gradually quietened, as students hunch over laptops rather than chat to friends; now, in the near silence, there is just the faint patter of keys on keyboards and the almost audible hum of unwonted concentration. Even those who are tempted by more kindly weather to venture out all take a book with them as they wander into the college gardens, or the orchard, which is rich in May with buttercups and daisies sprinkling the grass, and apple, pear, and plum trees blossoming above.

But most students are not to be seen in the café, corridors, or gardens, but are in serried rows in the library, or huddled over desks in their rooms.

It can be a little over-intense for some, and I have taken to advertising late-night compline as a kind of chill-out zone: "Take some space: unwind at the end of a hectic day. Be still for 20 minutes in the candlelight. No demands. No sermon."

And so I try to tempt them out of the library and the study rooms to unwind a little and bathe their minds in 20 minutes of soothing plainchant. You can see them start to relax as the words of the Office hymn, sung beautifully by the choir, float over them:

Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world, we pray, That with thy wonted favour thou Wouldst be our quard and keeper now.

And it seems to be helpful for quite a few of them. Of course, I know that liturgy can and should be so much more than a stress-buster, but maybe, for those who do find themselves gradually destressed as they bathe in the sound of *Te lucis ante terminum*, the whole experience is in some way a touching of the hem of Christ's garment: something has been given, something disclosed. And

the person holding a candle at compline may hear a call, and make a journey, as another stressed woman once did, from touching the hem of Christ's garment to meeting him face to face.

Were we in a monastery, and not a college, compline would be followed by the Greater Silence — and, indeed some of our students do return to the silence of the library, though not perhaps the deeper silence of the soul. But, for those who wish, compline at Girton is followed not by silence but, in true Cambridge style, by an invitation from the chaplain to port and conversation. Sometimes, the conversation turns on the music that we've just sung or heard, sometimes on the events and stresses of the term; but, just occasionally, it opens into deeper things, on to more ultimate questions. Just occasionally, there is an opening of heart and soul, which in some sense the liturgy itself has made possible; and then it is that, just sometimes, someone takes a few more steps on that journey from the hem of his garment to the light of his countenance.

This week @ St Philip's

Today Second Sunday after Pentecost

8am Eucharist (followed by Breakfast)

10am Eucharist with hymns (followed by Morning tea)

Tuesday 13 June Anthony of Padua, missionary & preacher (d.1231)

2pm Eucharist – Leslie Morshead Manor

Weds 14 June Feria*

10am-Noon Pandora's Sorting & Preparation

2pm Funeral, Gold Creek Chapel – Georgia Gladman RIP

7pm Parish Council

Thursday 15 June Evelyn Underhill, spiritual writer (d.1941)

10am Eucharist (followed by Morning tea)

Saturday 17 June Feria*

7.30am Men's BEST breakfast (Bacon, egg, sausage and tomato!), see news section

10am-1pm Pandora's OPEN - all proceeds today will go to the Asylum Seeker

Resource Centre, see news section

11am Eucharist - Canberra Aged Care

Sunday 18 June Third Sunday after Pentecost

8am Eucharist (followed by Breakfast)

10am Eucharist with hymns (followed by Morning tea)

Readings: Exodus 19:2-8a, Psalm 100, Romans 5:1-11, Matthew:9-35-10:8

*A **Feria** is a day of the week other than Sunday or a feast day.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 24 June 10.30am - 2.30pm Missional Spirituality - Seminar 4 including lunch,

see news section above

Saturday 29 July 10am – 1pm Pandora's Christmas in July

Saturday 5 August 2pm – 4pm Missional Spirituality - Seminar 5 Saturday 2 August 2pm – 4pm Missional Spirituality - Seminar 6

Fri 8 - Sun 10 Sept Diocesan Synod Canberra, Girls Grammar School

Sunday 1 October ANU Choral Society concert @ St Philip's

Rosters

		11-Jun-23	18-Jun-23	25-Jun-23	
Sunday of Month		2nd	3rd	4th	
Liturgical Season		Third Sunday after Pentecost	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	
Flowers		Flower team	Flower team	Flower team	
Celebrant		Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	
Preacher (if different to Celebrant)			Rev'd Scott		n M
Sidespeople		Alison & Alistair	Rhonda & Susan	Shane & Tim	
Liturgical Assistant	8am	Ellie P (Liturgical assistant)		Brian M (Lit assistant)	
Audio Visual Operator		·		·	
1st Bible reader - OT		Alistair D	Rebecca P	Shane W	
2nd Bible reader - NT		Alison D	Julianne S	Shane W	
Celebrant		Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Scott	Rev'd Martin	_
Preacher (if different to Celebrant)					
Sidespeople & Welcomer		Helen & Hardy	Jeannette M, Laura W	Sally A & Richard G	10an
Liturgical Assistant	0am	Rebecca K (Lit assistant)	Rev'd Martin (Lit assistant)	Philippa W (Lit assistant)	
Audio Visual Operator	9	•		·	-
Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist		Colin F	Colin F	Colin F	
1st Bible reader - OT		Fiona D	Fred A	Jeannette D-T	
2nd Bible reader - NT	1	Kerry C	Laura W	Lyn P	
Morning Tea	1	Janene B	Liz D	Helen P	
Additional details/notes		Monarch's birthday weekend			