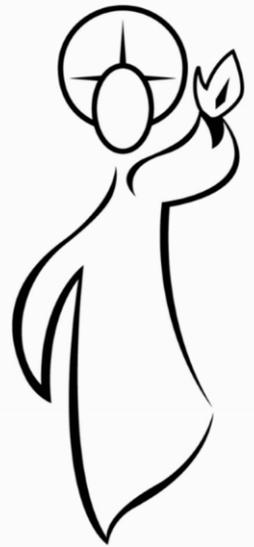

ANGLICAN CHURCH *of the* ASCENSION



4th August 2019

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EAST BURWOOD

“Seeking God, Serving with love, Sharing hope”

Welcome to Church

Sentence for Today

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3.1



For those who have children with them, there is a children's corner in the church for the little ones. Children from pre-school age may leave for 'Godzone' - Special Children's Activities - shortly after we begin the 9.30am service.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Entrance Hymn: TiS 179 “Praise with joy the world’s Creator”

Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever.

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

And also with you.

Welcome

Prayer of Preparation:

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.**

Kyries:

Lord have mercy, **Christ have mercy,** Lord have mercy.

Invitation to Confession:

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, with a sincere and a true heart.

Confession:

**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.**

Absolution

The 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 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.**

The Prayer of the Day:

Living God,
Judge of us all,
you have placed in our hands the wealth we call our own:
through your Spirit give us wisdom,
that our possessions may not be a curse,
but a means of blessing in our lives.
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer at the time of choosing an Incumbent:

**Bountiful God,
give to this parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word
and administer your sacraments;
an encourager who will equip your people for ministry
and enable us to fulfil our calling.
Give to those who will choose, wisdom,
discernment and patience,
and to us give warm and generous hearts,
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**

Godzone talk and blessing

The ministry of the Word:

The first reading: Hosea 11.1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.
The more I called them,
the more they went from me;
they kept sacrificing to the Baals,
and offering incense to idols.
Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,
I took them up in my arms;
but they did not know that I healed them.
I led them with cords of human kindness,
with bands of love.
I was to them like those
who lift infants to their cheeks.
I bent down to them and fed them.
They shall return to the land of Egypt,

and Assyria shall be their king,
because they have refused to return to me.
The sword rages in their cities,
it consumes their oracle-priests,
and devours because of their schemes.
My people are bent on turning away from me.
To the Most High they call,
but he does not raise them up at all.
How can I give you up, Ephraim?
How can I hand you over, O Israel?
How can I make you like Admah?
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?
My heart recoils within me;
my compassion grows warm and tender.
I will not execute my fierce anger;
I will not again destroy Ephraim;
for I am God and no mortal,
the Holy One in your midst,
and I will not come in wrath.
They shall go after the Lord,
who roars like a lion;
when he roars,
his children shall come trembling from the west.
They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt,
and like doves from the land of Assyria;
and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

For the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107.1-9, 43

**O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:
for his loving mercy is for ever.
Let the Lord's redeemed say so:
whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,
And gathered in from every land,
from the east and from the west:
from the north and from the south.
Some went astray in the wilderness and in the desert:
and found no path to an inhabited city;
They were hungry and thirsty:
and their heart fainted within them.
Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:
and he took them out of their trouble.
He led them by the right path:
till they came to an inhabited city.
Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:
and for the wonders that he does
for the children of Adam;
For he satisfies the thirsty:
and fills the hungry with good things.
Whoever is wise, let them observe these things:
and consider the loving kindness of the Lord**

The second reading: Colossians 3.1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn: TiS 606 “Son of God, eternal Saviour”

The Gospel reading:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Luke, chapter 12, beginning at verse 13

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Creed:

Let us stand together and 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,
and the life for the world to come. Amen.

The prayers of the people:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Response: Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

At the conclusion

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.**

Prayer of Approach:

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.

Offertory hymn: TiS 598 "Dear Father, Lord of humankind"

Prayer over the gifts:

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.

**. . . 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.**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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

The Lord's Prayer:

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:

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 to communion:

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.

The Communion

Post communion hymn: TiS 429 "Break thou the bread of life"

Prayer after Communion:

Living God,
in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
which we have known 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.**

Notices

The Blessing

Final Hymn: TiS 611 "God of grace and God of glory"

Dismissal:

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

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WELCOME TO CHURCH. . . We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today, please take Communion, whatever your denomination and come and worship with us again. If you are visiting, please make yourself known to Fr. Walter or to one of our welcomers following the service and do stay for a cuppa and chat!

NOTICES

FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE: Once again, Chellam is seeking donations for the Father's Day Raffle (1st September) and will be seeking help to sell tickets. She will be so grateful to receive anything men would enjoy, such as chocolates, drinks, nuts & nibbles, biscuits, gardening aids and anything else you can think of. Thank you so much for your support.

INVITATION TO St PAUL’S CATHEDRAL: The Dean invites members of the Ascension to join him at Choral Evensong this coming Wednesday, 7 August at 5:10pm, when prayers will be said for our church community and ministry. See the letter on the noticeboard.

SOUP LUNCH: Sunday 18th August following the 9:30am service. Soups are needed, please let Aggie & Jan know what you can bring along to feed the masses!

TMA August edition is available in the narthex, please take a copy!

NOTES FROM PARISH COUNCIL:

- At the 18th August soup lunch, Ros Smith will talk about her recent trip to the Holy Land with the JCMA.
- October 5th is the start of a parish spring music festival. Peter Bedlow is coordinating a “Community Hymn Sing” afternoon. We then have a piano concert on November 2nd, followed by a return of the “Clasax” group on November 30th. These three events are part of our fundraising activities for work within and outside the parish, please put these dates in your diaries and let your friends know to reserve the dates.
- November 9th we are having a book sale, please start putting aside your well-read books for this sale, “no text books please” Aggie is coordinating this event and has boxes for your use to store books at your place until the book sale.

FOOTY TIPPING: A return to form in Round 19 for the teams and also our tipsters with four (Aggie Canterbury, Jo Condie, Cameron Goodwin and Peter Wharton) getting perfect scores and also a bonus point!

Ron McKenzie (45) is clinging to the lead for the second half-year competition, just ahead of Cameron Goodwin (44) and two ahead of Aggie Canterbury and Neil Ludwick (42), then the quartet of Jo Condie, Lyle Mansfield, Russell Mills and Peter Wharton (41). Four rounds to go, and it is still anyone’s!

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| • Phantom fete | September 1 st – 29 th |
| • Food drive for Uniting East Burwood | September 1 st – 29 th |
| • Community Hymn singing | October 5 th |
| • Trivia night | October 12 th |
| • Piano concert | November 2 nd |
| • Food drive for St Mark’s Fitzroy | November 3 rd – 24 th |
| • Book sale (and DVD’s, CD’s) | November 8 th |
| • Clasax concert | November 30 th |

TMA ONLINE: News and views on faith from Australia and around the world

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In this week’s edition

- Brisbane Dean discusses Earth Overshoot Day
- Former Dean of Newcastle Graeme Lawrence convicted over sex assault of 15yo boy
- Epping church turns 150
- Most Americans can define atheists, Easter, but don’t know US share of Muslims, Jews
- Watershed vote as Anglican Church of Canada supports an indigenous church

- The strangeness of the past and the self: Rowan Williams on history and identity
- ‘That Jesus freak still lives inside of me’: When Christianity met the counterculture in the 1960s
- The One A Week Psalms project
- India to outlaw centuries-old right of a Muslim man to instantly divorce his wife
- Churches key responders in battle against latest Ebola outbreak

SAINTS AND HOLY MEN AND WOMEN FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Oswald, king and martyr (d. 642)
Thursday	Dominic, priest and friar (d. 1221)
Friday	Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers’ Union (d. 1921)
Saturday	Laurence, deacon & martyr at Rome (d. 258)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Wednesday:

Numbers 13.1-2; 13.25 - 14.1;
14.26-29, 34-35
Psalm 106. 17-24
Matthew 15.21-28

Next Sunday: Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

Isaiah 1.1, 10-20
Psalm 50.1-8, 23-24
Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16
Luke 12.32-40

AS WE THANK GOD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS, LET US PRAY EACH DAY FOR -

THE CHURCH

Churches in the Province of South East Asia
The Pastoral Care in Hospitals and Rehabilitation Centres
in Eastern Health



AUSTRALIA

Those suffering following the ‘flu outbreak
The Asylum Seekers in Australia

THE WORLD

A peaceful solution to the tensions in the Gulf Region
The Uyghur people in China
The Asylum Seekers on Manus Island

The Ascension community

Each other (*refer to prayer list for each day*).

God’s presence in the events of the week (*see pewslip*)

Those who have special needs and those at the Peter James Centre, Burwood Lodge
and the Arthur Preston Centre.

Ourselves as we accept the power of God’s Spirit in our lives

4th August, Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical colour – Green

8:00am**9:30 a.m.****Welcomers:** Jan Wheeler

Colin Darvell & Joanne Waite

Liturgical assistant:

Ron McKenzie

Scripture reader: Sue Tregear

Ros Smith

Godzone:

Natalie Ortlieb

Intercessions: Fr. Walter

Fr Walter

Servers Sue Tregear

Joy Ritchie, Cath Ortlieb

Christine Youngs

Eucharistic assistant: Sue Tregear

Keith Hall & Jan Mansfield

Morning Tea: Don Lambourne

Cheryl & Keith Hall

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Flowers: Jan Mansfield**Sacristan:** Sue Tregear**Music:** Dawn Joseph**Printer:** Barrie Harding**Counting:** Keith Hall & Glen Wood**11th August, Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

Liturgical colour – Green

8:00am**9:30 a.m.****Welcomers:** Don Lambourne

Yolanda Chan & Joanne Waite

Liturgical assistant:

Christine Youngs

Scripture reader: Sue Tregear

Joanne Waite

Godzone:

Rachael Allan

Intercessions: Fr. Walter

Joy Ritchie

Eucharistic assistant: Sue Tregear

Christine Y & Lyle Mansfield

Morning Tea: Don Lambourne

Joan Zhang & Andreas Luo

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Flowers: Robin Jellis**Sacristan:** Sue Tregear**Music:** Heath McKenzie & Josh Waite**Printer:** David Wood**Counting:** Sue Tregear & Natalie Ortlieb**Cleaning:** Gavin & Ruth Ganasalingam

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Pew sheet: Please send all items for inclusion in next week's pewsheets to Ron McKenzie by 5:00p.m. Thursday evening (r.mckenzie@novatechsolutions.com.au.)

Baptism, Marriage & funerals by arrangement

Weekly services & activities

- Sunday** 8:00am Eucharist
9:30am Eucharist with hymns.
'Godzone' children's program during 9:30am service
- Wednesday** 10:00am Eucharist followed by morning tea and discussion
- Friday** 9:30 – 11:30am. Playgroup in hall (During school terms)
10:00am – Noon. Drop-in for coffee and chat, front meeting room.
- 3rd Friday** 12 noon. "Not home alone" meets for lunch at the
Mountain View Hotel, all welcome!

WHO WE ARE AT ASCENSION

At the Church of the Ascension, we follow Christ in being a caring church, welcoming of all, extending his love and invitation of new life to all comers. Here we worship God in Eucharistic-centred worship, with all the rich liturgy and symbolism that the tradition of the Anglican Church offers. (See our website for more information)