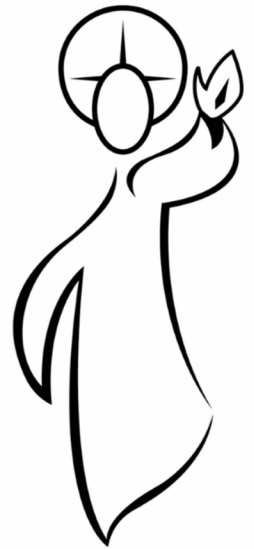

ANGLICAN CHURCH *of the* ASCENSION

20th January 2019
Second Sunday after Epiphany

EAST BURWOOD



“Seeking God, Serving with love, Sharing hope”

Welcome to Church

Sentence for Today

Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.
John 2.11



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 615 “Almighty God, lift up our eyes”

Acclamation and Greeting:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

The Lord be with you.

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:

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Let us bring our darkness to his light,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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:

Bountiful God,
whose Son revealed his glory at Cana of Galilee:
help us to believe and obey,
so that, as our Saviour promised,
we may be filled with the wine of new life
and show forth his joy and love;
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer at the time of choosing an Incumbent:

God our Father,
you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus
and called us to be his body in this place.
Send us your Holy Spirit at this time of uncertainty and change
to fill us with vision, energy and faithfulness in prayer
that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community;
and guide with your heavenly wisdom
those who are to choose a new priest for this parish,
so that the one whom we receive
may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people:
ready to serve us with joy,
to build us up in faith
and to lead us by example
in loving obedience to your son, our saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Godzone talk and blessing

The ministry of the Word:

The First reading: Isaiah 62. 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

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

Psalm 36.5-10

**Your unfailing kindness, O Lord, is in the heavens:
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

**Your righteousness is like the strong mountains:
and your justice as the great deep;
you, O Lord, save both man and beast.**

**How precious, O God, is your enduring kindness:
the children of Adam shall take refuge
under the shadow of your wings.**

**They shall be satisfied with the good things of your house:
and you will give them drink
from the river of your delights.**

**For with you is the well of life:
and in your light shall we see light.**

**O continue your merciful kindness toward these who know you:
and your righteous dealing
to those that are true of heart.**

The second reading: 1 Corinthians 12.1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All

these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn: TiS 413 *"Holy Spirit, come confirm us"*

The Gospel reading:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John, chapter 2, beginning at verse 1.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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 111 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King."

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 168 “For the fruits of all creation”

The sending out of God’s people

Prayer after Communion:

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.

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:

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a
light to the world;
and the + blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Final Hymn: TiS 457 “The church’s one foundation”

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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THE NOTICES OF THE DAY

Welcome to Church. . . We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today: come and worship with us again. Please make yourself known to Fr. Walter or to one of our welcomers, following the service.

THIS WEEK AT ASCENSION

Wednesday 10am - Eucharist followed by morning tea.

Friday - coffee and chat at 10am.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES

A number of parishioners already use the direct debit system for their pledge. This can save having to remember whether one is up to date! This system is available to all to use. The only identifying detail is the envelope number. The banking details are: Indue Ltd. Level 3, 601 Corona on Drive Toowong QLD. BSB. 703 122. A/C. 050095388 Please see Keith Hall if you need assistance in setting this up for use.

TMA ONLINE

Share it through your networks using the link
<http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/newsstand>

News and views on faith from Australia and around the world

- Keep the Spirit: ABC religious broadcaster Rachael Kohn says goodbye
- Honours for church people and charity founders in UK New Year list
- Director of Anglican Centre in Rome steps down after 'sexual misconduct' allegation
- C of E sexuality review will not pronounce on the rights or wrongs of same-sex marriage
- US Congress becoming more religiously diverse, but Christians still dominate, study says
- One in 10 members of clergy is victim of violence as anti-Christian hate crimes rise
- Archbishop Justin Welby's Christmas Day Sermon from Canterbury Cathedral
- Were there more than Three Kings?
- 'The breach needs to be healed': Reaching out to others at Christmas
- Looking for Jesus in Greg Sheridan's defence of Christianity

SAINTS AND HOLY MEN AND WOMEN FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Agnes, martyr at Rome, virgin (d. 304) R
Tuesday	Vincent, deacon and martyr (d. 304) R
Thursday	Companions of Paul, including Timothy, Titus & Silas
Friday	Conversion of Paul the Apostle

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Wednesday:

Hebrews 7.1-3 (4-14) 15-17
Psalm 110. 1-4
Mark 3. 1-6

Next Sunday: Third after Epiphany

Nehemiah 8. 1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 12. 12-13
Luke 4. 14-21

AS WE THANK GOD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS;

Let us pray for:

The Church

United Church of Bangladesh.
Overnewton Anglican Community College and
Mentone Grammar School; their heads and chaplains.

The World

A peaceful solution to the unrest and humanitarian problems in Myanmar, Syria, Turkey and Yemen. Those seeking a safe home after strife in their own country. A humanitarian solution to the Nauru refugee problem. Those suffering following earthquake and tsunami in Indonesia

The Ascension community

Each other (*refer to parish prayer list for each day*).
God's presence in the events of the week (*see pew slip*).
Those who have special needs and those at the Peter James Centre, Burwood Lodge and the Arthur Preston Centre.

Ourselfs as we accept the power of God's Spirit in our lives

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)



THE ROSTERS

20th January, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Liturgical colour – Green

8:00am

9:30am

Welcomers: Jan Wheeler
Liturgical assistant: + + + + +
Scripture readers: Ron McKenzie
Godzone: + + + + +
Intercessions: Fr. Walter
Servers: Ron McKenzie

Alma & Brian Brand
 Jo Waite
 Jo Waite
 Holiday programs
 Fr. Walter
 Sue Tregear, Natalie Ortlieb,
 Ron McKenzie
 Cath Ortlieb & Jo Waite
 Joy Ritchie & Pat Eadon

Eucharistic assistant: Ron McKenzie
Morning Tea: Don Lambourne

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Flowers: Judithe Atkinson
Music: Peter Bedlow
Sacristan: Judithe Atkinson
Printer: Lyle Mansfield
Counting: Alma & Brian Brand
Resurrection Garden: Augustus Luo

27th January, 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Liturgical colour – Green

8:00am

9:30 a.m.

Welcomers: Don Lambourne
Liturgical assistant: + + + + +
Scripture reader: Sue Tregear
Godzone: + + + + +
Intercessions: Fr. Walter
Eucharistic assistant: Sue Tregear
Morning Tea: Don Lambourne

Yolanda Chan & Ros Smith
 Christine Youings
 Jo Waite
 Holiday programs
 Russell Mills
 C Youings & J Mansfield
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Flowers: Bashilika Dassanayaka
Music: Saku Thiagarajah
Sacristan: Sue Tregear
Printer: Lyle Mansfield
Counting: Jo Waite & Natalie Ortlieb
Cleaning: Sue Tregear

Next Pewsheets: Please send all items for inclusion in next week's pew-sheet by 5p.m. Thursday evening to Ron McKenzie:- (r.mckenzie@novatechsolutions.com.au) - especially any Roster changes. Thank you.



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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.