

The Anglican Parish of South Darebin
All Saints, Northcote
St James the Great, Thornbury



20 November 2022
CHRIST THE KING / THE REIGN OF CHRIST

THE SUNG EUCHARIST

OPENING HYMN (TIS 142)

Glory be to God the Father,
glory be to God the Son,
glory be to God the Spirit,
God almighty, Three in One!
Glory, glory, glory, glory
while eternal ages run.

Glory be to him who loved us,
washed us from each spot and stain;
glory be to him who bought us,
made us kings with him to reign;
glory, glory, glory, glory
to the Lamb that once was slain.

Glory to the king of angels,
glory to the church's king,
glory to the king of nations,
heaven and earth, your praises bring;
glory, glory, glory, glory
to the King of Glory bring.

'Glory, blessing, praise eternal!'
thus the choir of angels sings;
'Honour, riches, power, dominion!'
thus its praise creation brings;
glory, glory, glory, glory,
glory to the King of kings!

Horatius Bonar 1808-89 alt.

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.**

THE SENTENCE

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and
riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. *Zechariah 9.9*

THE 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.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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, confident in God's forgiveness, saying together,

**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.

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

Eternal God,
you exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things,
and have made us instruments of his kingdom:
by your Spirit empower us to love the unloved,
and to minister to all in need,
then at the last bring us to your eternal realm
where we may be welcomed into your everlasting joy
and may worship and adore you for ever;
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.**

Please sit for the readings

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 23. 1-6

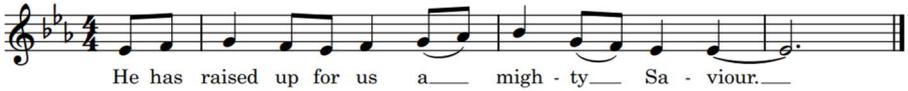
Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!
says the LORD. ² Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning
the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my
flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I
will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will
gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them,
and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and
multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and
they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says
the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a
righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute
justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and
Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called:
'The LORD is our righteousness.'

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

FOR THE PSALM. Song of Zechariah (Benedictus)



1. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty saviour born of the house of his servant David,
2. Through his holy prophets God promised of old, to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us, to show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant.
3. This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life
4. And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.
5. In the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Colossians 1.11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and

in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

GRADUAL HYMN (TIS 256)

**From heaven you came helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled;
Not to be served but to serve,
And give your life that we might live.**

Refrain: ***This is our God, the Servant King -
he calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.***

**There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will but yours', he said.** *Refrain*

**Come see his hand and his feet -
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.** *Refrain*

**So let us learn how to serve
and in our lives enthrone him;
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.** *Refrain*

Graham Kendrick 1950-

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 23.33-43

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴² Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³ He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

Fr David Moore

THE CREED

We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Let us now pray for the world, for the church and for all in need.

After each group of prayers:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers for the departed:

Rest eternal grant to them O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace, **and rise in glory.**

The priest concludes the prayers with,

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.

All stand

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

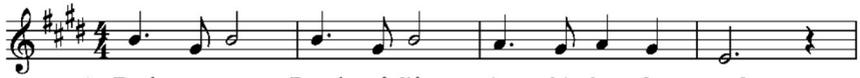
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The greeting is shared remaining in our places, acknowledging those around us.

The table is prepared for the communion and the offering of the people is received.

OFFERTORY HYMN (TIS 538)



1. Feed us now, Bread of life, in this ho - ly meal;
2. Piece of bread, cup of wine: Lord, this food is good:
3. God is here, O so near, near - er than our thoughts.



let us know your love a - new: we hun - ger for you.
love and mer - cy come to us, your prom - ise we trust.
Stay with us where - 'er we go; Lord, help us to grow.



Feed us now, Bread of life, come and live with - in;
Piece of bread, cup of wine; who can un - der - stand
God is here, O so near, in this hea - ven's meal.



let your peace be ours to - day, Lord— Je - sus, we pray.
how his mer - cy works in these? Yet, — Lord, we be - lieve.
May we al - ways feed on you on the bread that is true.

Robin Mann 1949 -

The Priest prays

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.

...we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and singing:

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.

... We worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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.

THE AGNUS DEI

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

The Priest continues

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are we who are called to God's table.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

The priest announces:

The gifts of God for the people of God.

This is the Lord's table and all who seek God's mercy are welcome. Come.

The communion is distributed.

POST COMMUNION SENTENCE

'I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them ... I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing,' says the LORD.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of glory you sent your Son Jesus Christ into the world
to preach the gospel of the kingdom.

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 FINAL HYMN (TIS 228)

**Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon the throne;
hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for me,
and hail him as your chosen king
through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified:
no angel there on high
can fully bear that sight,
but downwards bends a burning eye
at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his piercèd feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.**

Matthew Bridges 1800-94 and Godfrey Thring 1823-1903 *alt.*

A PRAYER FOR THE PARISH

**Bountiful God,
give to this parish a faithful pastor
who will faithfully speak your word and minister 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 all give warm and generous hearts,
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Christ our exalted King pour upon you his abundant gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, (+) the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you and those whom you love always. **Amen**

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