

*Proclaiming Christ in word and action;
Growing in care, love and service*



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Next Wednesday: 9.00 am Holy Eucharist: St Margaret:

Next Saturday: 5.30 pm Vigil Eucharist: St Stephen

Next Sunday: Day of Pentecost

9.00 am Family Service: St Ann

9.00 am Holy Eucharist : Christ Church

10.30 am Holy Eucharist : St Margaret

10.30 am Holy Eucharist: St Nicholas:

No Service: St James

Next Sunday Readings: Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:26-36, Romans 8:14-17, John 14:8-17,25-27



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Acknowledgement of Country: We acknowledge the cultures of our First Nation Peoples & are thankful for the community we share together. We pay our respects to the Kaurna People.

May 29 2022 7th Sunday of Easter
(Sunday after Ascension)

Sentence

'Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. *Acts 16:31*

Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Thought for the Week:

In his apocalyptic vision, St John the Divine succinctly describes the Church's role: according to this 'testimony for the churches' it is to say, along with the Spirit, 'Come', that is, to invite people who are thirsty to 'take the water of life as a gift'. If I were to examine myself, would I find times in my life where I had invited the thirsty to drink the water of life? Or have I heard the Spirit myself and responded, but nevertheless kept quiet about it? How do I expect the Church to grow if I do not invite people to respond to the Spirit?

- Jesus Christ, circled round by angel powers, let me hear the Spirit's voice and help me to offer water to the thirsty and invite them to drink, all for your Name's sake.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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Acts 16:16-34

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

One day, as we (Paul & others) were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptised without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Hear the word of the Lord.

thanks be to God.



Psalm 97

¹The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

²**Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

³Fire goes before him, and consumes his adversaries on every side.

⁴**His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.**

⁵The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

⁶**The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold his glory.**

⁷All worshipers of images are put to shame, those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him.

⁸**Zion hears and is glad, and the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O God.**

⁹For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰**The LORD loves those who hate evil; he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**

Revelation 22:12-22

A reading from the book of Revelation

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and fornicators and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. “It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let everyone who hears say, “Come.” And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this book; if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away that person’s share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book. The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord said: I will not leave you orphans.

I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

John 17:20-26

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



In the Mission Partnership This Week

All items for Church Chatter should be either e-mailed (sanderwt@bigpond.com) or phoned (0410548040) to the Editor by Wednesday evening. Thank you for your cooperation.

Today: Another day to be with the Lord

Monday : Another day to be with the Lord

Tuesday: **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Wednesday: Another day to be with the Lord

10.00 am Scripture Study, S. Margaret

1.30 pm Prayer for Christian Unity, SCC

Thursday: Another day to be with the Lord

Friday: Another day to be with the Lord

Diocesan Synod

Saturday: Another day to be with the Lord

Diocesan Synod



Prayer of the week

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we pray you leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to the same place where our Saviour Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Church Chatter:

Christian Care and Support Centre— needs supplies for May 2022. Place gifts (staple items preferred) in the outside basket or deliver to the Centre. Forget? Make a donation!

Those we pray for this week:

Pray for ABM, Anglican Discipleship and this Week for Christian Unity (until the eve of Pentecost), and for Anglican Mothers' Union Australia and combatting violence against women. We give thanks for the SparkLit National Director, Michael Collins. We give thanks for Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia We pray for the ministry of BCA staff, Kurt & Rebecca Langmead, Lightning Ridge, NSW and George & Carmel Ferguson, Baron District Anglican parish, Walgett, NSW and we pray for priests and deacons in Parish placements preparing to return to the Defence Force as chaplains.

In our Diocese we pray for Bp Keith Dalby, and family. We give thanks for the ministry of all Diocesan Parishes. We pray for Church Wardens and members of Parish Councils, for Secretaries and Treasurers. We give thanks for the work of members of the SA Provincial Council and other provincial committees. We pray for Pastoral Care worker Sue Camac, Willunga Primary School.

Those we continue to pray for:

Jac Bishop: Eileen Cook; Yvonne Scrutton; Brenda; Ted & Joyce and Miriam; Catherine Cooling; Harry Bosworth; Ursula Pridham; Trish McD; Patrusca; Gillian; and *any others we wish to remember.*

This new prayer list was created before Easter. If you wish to add people from the previous list or add new people, please contact the Editor .