

*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: Pentecost 14

9.00 am Holy Eucharist: St Ann

9.00 am Holy Eucharist: Christ Church

10.30 am Holy Eucharist: St Margaret

10.30 am PPP: St Nicholas:

11.00 am Holy Eucharist: St James



Next Sunday Readings Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-19a; Luke 15:1-

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.

Sentence

September 4 2022 Pentecost 13

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow Jesus cannot be his disciple.

Luke 14:27

Collect

God of ages, you call the Church to keep watch in the world and to discern the signs of the times: grant us the wisdom that your Spirit bestows, so that with courage we may proclaim your prophetic word, and complete the work you have set before us; through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Thought for the Week:

Today we read St Luke's account of Jesus addressing the crowd about the cost of being a disciple. Not only does it require forethought and detailed planning, like a person preparing to build a tower, but it also requires detachment from both family and possessions. That is not to say that relationships and material objects are bad in themselves, but that they can be distractions from the mission Jesus has for each one of us. How can we, as individuals and as a Church, leave those things behind that hinder our ability to be ardent disciples of Jesus?

- Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life, help me to leave behind anything that gets in the way, so that I can follow your path and bring others to you.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

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Jeremiah 18:1-11

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

*Hear the word of the Lord.
thanks be to God.*



Psalm 139:1-5,,12-18

Response: O Lord, how vast are your thoughts!

O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. **R.**

Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you. **R.**

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. **R.**

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you. **R.**

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Philemon 1-25

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. One thing more—prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping through your prayers to be restored to you. Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Hear the word of the Lord.

thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant,
and teach me your laws.

Alleluia!

Luke 14:25-35

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus and he turned and said to them, “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions. “Salt is good; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; they throw it away. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!”

*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: Gold Coin Donation for Schools Ministry

Monday: Another day to be with the Lord

9.30 am MU at S. Ann

Tuesday: Another day to be with the Lord

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10.00 am Scripture Study, S. Margaret

Thursday: Another day to be with the Lord

11.15 am Prayers for Peace S. Ann

4.00 pm Yankadelly

Friday: Another day to be with the Lord

Saturday: Another day to be with the Lord

7.00 pm Saturday Night Out, S. Stephen



Prayer of the week

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and so great dangers that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strengths and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Church Chatter:

Christian Care and Support Centre— needs supplies for September 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:

Lord God, bring us together as one, reconciled with you and reconciled with each other. Pray for ABM & the Church of the Province of Central Africa and for Anglican Mothers' Union Australia & for the Creator & creation. We give thanks for Evangelical Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. We pray for the Diocese of Ballarat, Bishop Garry Weatherill, clergy and people. We give thanks for the ministry of BCA staff, Brendan & Laura Hurley, Drummond Cove, WA and Roger & Amanda Kyngdon, Newman, WA. We pray for the Defence Force Board of General Synod and for the Defence Chaplains deployed on military operations and at sea. In our Diocese we pray for Bp Keith Dalby, and family. We give thanks for all those preparing for Baptism & Confirmation. For clergy & Lay People who prepare those for these sacraments and those who follow-up with visiting & encouragement.. We give thanks for the ministry of Pastoral Care worker, Willunga High School.

Those we continue to pray for: We give thanks for the life of Miriam & pray for her soul with the Lord. We pray for: Jac Bishop: Eileen Cook; Yvonne Scrutton; Brenda; Ted & Joyce, Catherine Cooling; Trish McD; Barbara Webber; Tom Arnold; Sue & Frank Thomas; Gordon Russell and *any others we wish to remember.* **If you wish to add people from a previous list or add new people, please contact the Editor.**