

*Proclaiming Christ in word and action;*

*Growing in care, love and service*



## **Western Fleurieu Anglicans**

(A Parish of the Diocese of The Murray)

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**Next Wednesday:** 9.00 am Holy Eucharist: St Margaret

**Next Saturday:** 5.30 pm Vigil Eucharist: St Stephen

**Next Sunday:** 15th January 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

9.00 am Holy Communion: St Ann

9.00 am PPP: Christ Church

10.30 am Holy Communion: St Margaret

10.30 am Holy Communion: St Nicholas:

No service at St James

**Next Sunday Readings** Isaiah 49.1-7 ~ Ps 40.1-14 ~ 1 Corinthians 1.1-9 ~ John 1.29-42

**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 Kurna People.

### **8th January Baptism of our Lord**

**Sentence:** A voice came from heaven, saying, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased'. Matthew 3.17

**Collect:** Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: grant that all who are baptised into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in

### **Thought for the Week:**

Faith is not the belief that God will do what you want. It is the belief that God will do what is right.

## A reading from the prophet Isaiah

### Chapter 42, verses 1-9

Thus says the Lord: Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

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

### Psalm 29

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven:

ascribe to the Lord glory and might.

**2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name:**

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness.**

3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters:

the God of glory thunders, the Lord upon the great waters.

**4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation:**

**the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.**

5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar-trees:

the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

**6 He makes them skip like a calf:**

**Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

7 The voice of the Lord divides the lightning-flash:

the voice of the Lord whirls the sands of the desert the Lord whirls the desert of Kadesh.

**8 The voice of the Lord rends the terebinth trees, and strips bare the forests:**

**in his temple all cry 'Glory'.**

9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water-flood:

the Lord sits enthroned as a king for ever.

**10 The Lord will give strength to his people:**

**the Lord will give his people the blessing of peace.**

## A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

### Chapter 10, verses 34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and his household: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judaea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judaea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Alleluia, alleluia! The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

**Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew Chapter 3, verses 13-17**  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptised by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptised, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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 (mcale2@bigpond.com) or phoned (08-8556 5351) to the Editor by Wednesday evening. Thank you for your cooperation.

## ***Those we pray for this week:***

### **The Anglican Cycle of Prayer**

**The Diocese of Ondo – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

**The Diocese of Ontario – The Anglican Church of Canada**

**The Diocese of Oregon – The Episcopal Church**

**The Diocese of Eastern Oregon – The Episcopal Church**

**The Diocese of Orlu – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

**The Diocese of Oru – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

### **Church Chatter;**

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

### ***Diary Dates;***

**Mon 9th** Baptism of our Lord

**Sat 14th** Saturday Night Out after 5.30pm service at St Stephens

**Tues 17th** Friends of St Ann's 6:50 for 7pm

**Wed 18th** Contemplative Prayer Service, Christ Church 6pm

**Thu 26th** Australia Day Ecumenical service SEM 8 am

**Fri 27th** Family Tea at St Ann's 6.30pm

**Sun 29th** Combined parish service, St Ann's 10:30 followed by lunch at The Aldinga Hotel. Bookings SMS Jane Cuthbert 0407 651 606

***Those we continue to pray for:*** We pray for: Jac Bishop; Eileen Cook; Yvonne Scrutton; Brenda; Ted & Joyce, Catherine Cooling; Ursula Pridham; Trish McD; Barbara Webber; Tom Arnold, Nicholas & Ben; Sue & Frank Thomas; Gordon Russell; Emily and her family; Wendy Sandercock: 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.***