

# ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGRATTA

## THE PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST AND THE WARBYS



### A Service of Holy Communion on the death of Queen Elizabeth II, 11th September 2022

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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*The Priest Welcomes and Greets the People*

'I am the resurrection and the life', says the Lord.  
'Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,  
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.'

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ,  
who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father.  
Grace and mercy be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The priest may briefly introduce the service, ending with this prayer:*

Almighty God,  
you judge us with infinite mercy and justice  
and love everything you have made.  
In your mercy  
turn the darkness of death  
into the dawn of new life,  
and the sorrow of parting into the joy of heaven;  
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### Opening Hymn TiS 147

1. To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life in atonement for sin  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.  
*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory! great things he has done!*
2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God!  
and every offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.  
*Praise the Lord! ...*
3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the Lord! ...*

Frances Jane van Alstyne 1820–1915 alt.  
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*The Lay minister says*

God has shone in our hearts  
to give the light of the knowledge of his glory  
in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels  
to show that the transcendent power belongs to God  
and not to us.

As we acknowledge our human frailty,  
we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission,  
and confess them before God our Father.

*Silence is kept.*

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*The priest says*

May God our Father forgive you your sins  
and bring you to the eternal joy of his kingdom,  
where dust and ashes have no dominion. **Amen.**

*The Collect*

Let us pray

*A period of silent prayer is kept, after which the priest prays:*

Merciful Father and Lord of all life,  
we praise you that we are made in your image  
and reflect your truth and light.

We thank you for the life of our late Sovereign Queen Elizabeth,  
for the love she received from you and showed among us.

Above all,

we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants,  
living and departed,

that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ.

And we ask that in due time

we may share with your servant Elizabeth

that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our Lord;

who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

**A reading from the book Lamentations.** (3. 22-26, 31-33)

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

‘The Lord is my portion,’ says my soul,  
‘therefore I will hope in him.’

The Lord is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.

For the Lord will not reject for ever.

Although he causes grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD**

## Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
**from where is my help to come?**

My help comes from the Lord,  
**the maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not suffer your foot to stumble;  
**he who watches over you will not sleep.**

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel  
**shall neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord himself watches over you;  
**the Lord is your shade at your right hand,**

So that the sun shall not strike you by day,  
**neither the moon by night.**

The Lord shall keep you from all evil;  
**it is he who shall keep your soul.**

The Lord shall keep watch  
over your going out and your coming in,  
**from this time forth for evermore.**

## **A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.** (4. 16—5.4)

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling— if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*'It is the will of him who sent me', says the Lord,  
'that I should lose none of all that he has given me,  
but raise them up on the last day'.*

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John [6. 35-40]

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Sermon*

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
from there he will come to judge**

**the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The minister says:*

Eternal God, our heavenly Father, we bless your holy name for all that you have given us in and through the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth.

We give you thanks:

for her love of family and her gift of friendship;  
for her devotion to this nation and the nations of the Commonwealth;  
for her grace, dignity and courtesy;  
and for her generosity and love of life.

We praise you for:

the courage that she showed in testing times;  
the depth and of her Christian faith;  
and the witness she bore to it in word and deed.

We pray for our new King and all the Royal Family,  
that you might reassure them of your continuing love  
and lift them from the depths of grief  
into the peace and light of your presence.

*Other prayers may be added.*

**God of mercy,  
entrusting into your hands all that you have made  
and rejoicing in our communion  
with all your faithful people,  
we make our prayers through Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
Amen.**

*Please stand*

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

Jesus says:

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*All may Greet one another with a  
COVID Safe Greeting of Peace  
(no handshakes, no hugging etc.)*

**Offertory Hymn:** TiS 152.

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you,  
God of glory, God of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before you  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
drive the dark of doubt away;  
giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.
2. All your works with joy surround you,  
earth and heav'n reflect your rays,  
stars and angels sing around you,  
centre of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
singing bird and flowing fountain  
call to praise you joyfully.
3. You are giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blest,  
well-spring of the joy of living,  
ocean-depth of happy rest.  
You our Father, Christ our brother,  
all are yours who live in love;  
teach us how to love each other,  
lift us to your joy above.

Henry Van Dyke 1852–1933 alt.  
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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING PRAYER

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.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks because through him  
you have given us the hope of a glorious resurrection;  
so that, although death comes to us all,  
yet we rejoice in the promise of eternal life;  
for to your faithful people life is changed, not taken away;  
and when our mortal flesh is laid aside  
an everlasting dwelling place is made ready for us in heaven.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy,  
gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;  
who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered  
a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction  
for the sins of the whole world;  
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,  
and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine,  
according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,  
in remembrance of his death and passion,  
may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father,  
in remembrance of the precious death and passion,  
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension  
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
we offer you through him  
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood,  
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins  
and all other benefits of his passion.  
Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins,  
to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this  
the duty and service that we owe.

Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,  
and fill us all who share in this holy communion  
with your grace and heavenly blessing;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Aa 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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

*Agnus Dei—said*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us your peace.**

*Invitation to Communion*

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

***Communicant members of any Christian church  
are welcome to share Holy Communion here today.***

***If you want a blessing and not Communion,  
please keep your hands by your side  
when you are at the Communion Rail.***

### **Prayer after Communion**

Father in Heaven,  
whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace,  
an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem:  
grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that,  
fed with the living bread of heaven  
and united in the body of your Son,  
we may be the temple of your presence,  
the place of your glory on earth,  
and a sign of your peace in the world;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*Notices*

### Concluding Hymn—TiS 47

1. Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.
2. Under the shadow of your throne,  
your saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defence is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting, you are God, to endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages, in your sight, are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all of us away;  
we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
6. Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come;  
remain our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts 1674-1748 alt.  
based on Psalm 90

### Blessing

God grant to the living, grace;  
to the departed, rest;  
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth, and all humankind,  
peace and concord;  
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### Dismissal

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

Worshippers are invited to place their Offerings  
in the Bowl at the Entrance  
to the Church before the Service begins.



No collection will be taken up during the Service.