

Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta  
**Parochial District of Wangaratta West & The Warbys**  
**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST {OS 21}**

**27th August, 2023—Eucharist 9.30am & 11.00am**

Holy Eucharist, Second Order, APBA p. 119ff.

Hymn: AHB 144/TiS 215. tune, Laudate Dominum or Paderborn

- 1. You servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful name;  
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;  
his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.**
- 2. Our God rules on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh, his presence we have;  
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our king.**
- 3. Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!  
let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:  
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.**
- 4. Then let us adore, and give him his right,  
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honour and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.**

Charles Wesley 1707–88 *alt.*

*The Acclamation*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

*The Welcome & Greeting*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Sentence*

Martha said, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

John 11.27

*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 Two Great Commandments*

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’

Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

*Kyrie*

**Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.**

*Confession and Absolution*

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord’s table.

*Silence may be kept.*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God’s forgiveness.

**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.**

*The Absolution. Standing, the priest says*

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.**

## *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 Collect*

Let us pray (*a brief silence for reflection on the theme of the day*)

O God, fount of all wisdom,  
in the humble witness of the apostle Peter  
you have shown the foundation of our faith:  
give us the light of your Spirit,  
that, recognising in Jesus of Nazareth the Son of the living God,  
we may be living stones for the building up of your holy Church;  
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 be seated*

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### **A Reading from the Book Exodus [1. 8—2.10]**

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, 'Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.' Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the

Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour.

They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, 'When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.' But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, 'Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?' The midwives said to Pharaoh, 'Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.' So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, 'Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.'

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

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

## **Psalm 124**

Lectern side (Left)

Pulpit side (right)

*All together*

If the Lord had not been on our side, now may Israel say:

**if the Lord had not been on our side,  
when our enemies rose against us,**

Then they would have swallowed us alive:  
**when their anger was kindled against us.**

Then the waters would have overwhelmed us,  
and the torrent gone over us:  
**the raging waters would have gone clean over us.**

But praised be the Lord:  
who has not given us as a prey to their teeth.

**We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler:  
the snare is broken, and we have gone free.**

***Our help is in the name of the Lord:  
who has made heaven and earth.***

### **A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans [12. 1-8]**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.

We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us:

prophecy, in proportion to faith;  
ministry, in ministering;  
the teacher, in teaching;  
the exhorter, in exhortation;  
the giver, in generosity;  
the leader, in diligence;  
the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Your words Lord are spirit and life,  
you have the words of eternal life.*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew [16. 13-20]  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

For the Gospel of the Lord,  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Sermon*

*Time of silence for reflection*

*Creed*

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We remember this week:

Rest eternal grant to them O Lord.  
**And may Light Perpetual shine upon them.**

*The priest says*

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.**

## 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.**

**Offertory Hymn:** AHB 439/TiS 517. tune, Hyfrydol

- 1. Hallelujah! sing to Jesus,  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
hallelujah! his the triumph, his the victory alone;  
hark, the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
'Jesus out of every nation  
has redeemed us by his blood.'**
- 2. Hallelujah! not as orphans, are we left in sorrow now;  
hallelujah! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how;  
though the cloud from sight received him**

when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

3. Hallelujah! bread of heaven,  
and on earth our food, our stay;  
hallelujah! here the sinful  
flee to you from day to day;  
intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, plead for me  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.
4. Hallelujah! King eternal,  
you the Lord of lords we own;  
hallelujah! born of Mary,  
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne:  
you within the veil have entered,  
robed in flesh, our great high priest;  
you on earth both priest and victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

*William Chatterton Dix 1837–98*

*Offertory prayer response: **Blessed be God for ever.***

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word;  
through him you have created all things from the beginning,  
and formed us in your own image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin,  
giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross;  
you raised him from the dead  
and exalted him to your right hand on high.



Through him you have sent upon us  
your holy and life-giving Spirit,  
and made us a people for your own possession.

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/singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

(♪ ♪ ♪ - *count 3 notes, then sing*)

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his 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. ✠

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

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

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 forever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We who are many are one body,  
**for we all share in the one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

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

### *Communion Reflection:*

*Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord,  
and drink the holy blood for you outpoured.*

*Saved by that body and that holy blood,  
with souls refreshed, we render thanks to God.*

*Salvation's giver, Christ, the only Son,  
by his dear cross and blood the victory won.*

*Offered was he for greatest and for least,  
himself the victim, and himself the priest.*

*Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,  
and take the pledges of salvation here.*

Latin, from the *Antiphonary* of Bennchar, 7th cent.  
tr. John Mason Neale 1818-66 alt.

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God of all mercy,  
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins  
and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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. Amen.**

### *Notices*

Hymn: AHB 362/TiS 459. tune, Duke Street

- 1. What shall we offer our good Lord,  
poor nothings, for his boundless grace?  
Fain would we his great name record  
and worthily set forth his praise.**
- 2. Great object of our growing love,  
to whom our more than all we owe,  
open the fountain from above,  
and let it our full souls o'erflow.**

3. **So shall our lives thy power proclaim,  
thy grace for every sinner free,  
till all the world shall learn thy name,  
shall all stretch out their hands to thee.**
4. **Open a door which earth and hell  
may strive to shut, but strive in vain;  
let thy word richly in us dwell,  
and let our gracious fruit remain.**
5. **O multiply the sower's seed!  
and fruit we every hour shall bear,  
throughout the world thy gospel spread,  
thy everlasting truth declare.**

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August Gottlieb Spangenberg 1704–92  
tr. John Wesley 1703–91

*The Blessing*

The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The Dismissal*

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

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