

St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

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SERVICE DETAILS

Sunday 8am: Holy Communion

Sunday 10am: Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 10am: Said Eucharist

Baptisms, First Communions,
Confirmations, Weddings and
Funerals by arrangement

1st Sunday of the month 8am: Book of
Common Prayer (BCP)

1st Sunday of the month 10am: Family Service
with Sunday School

2nd Sunday of the month: Healing Service
follows the 10am Mass

PARISH EVENTS

Morning Tea: After the 10am service every Sunday

Parish Luncheon: 1st Sunday of every 2nd month (Jun, Aug, Oct & Dec)

Parish Breakfast: 5th Sunday of the month (Jul, Oct)

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Corner Nepean Highway and Park Road

Cheltenham, Victoria, 3192

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SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

Sunday
28 May
2017

Welcome to our
Special 1969 Services today

8am – Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Ron White

10am – Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Ron White

Organist: Mrs Marlene Davies

150 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

As part of our liturgical celebration for our sesquicentenary, we will travel back in time using various forms of the Eucharist. Today's 1969 service is the first in our series.

A Service of HOLY COMMUNION for AUSTRALIA, 1969

FOREWORD

This service is published by the Liturgical Commission in the hope that it will commend itself for wide use, along with the Prayer Book service, for the next three or four years.

The new service is the fruit of a great deal of consultation and discussion, both here and overseas, and of the first stage of Prayer Book revision during the last three years. In that period many parishes used a variety of Communion rites for trial periods and the reports they furnished to the Commission have been invaluable in determining the next step.

This service has already been through six drafts and the Commission realises that it is still far from perfect. However, a time must come when theory gives way to practice. The Commission believes that time has come and offers this service to the Church so that together we can move on to the next stage.

We hope that in the widespread use of this provisional service over the next few years, the Holy Spirit will help the Church to find the right way towards renewal in worship.

R. G. Arthur,
Bishop of Grafton,
Chairman, Standing Liturgical Commission.

A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

At the entry of the priest the people stand

Introit Hymn: 715 A&M (10am only)

1. Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
Urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.
2. Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
Speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
Teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.
3. Lord, for our land, in this our generation,
Spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care;
For young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.
4. Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him,
Loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;
Hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.
5. Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us,
Self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
Past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Words: Thomas Dudley-Smith b. 1926
Ancient & Modern
Hymns and Songs for Refreshing Worship

The God of peace be with you;
The grace of Christ be with us all.

KNEEL

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom the secrets of our hearts are known; purify our thoughts by your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord Jesus, who came to call sinners to repentance,
have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, sent to heal those who are burdened in soul,
have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, now seated at the Father's right hand to intercede for us,
have mercy on us.

In repentance and faith, let us confess our sins.

**Most merciful God, our heavenly Father,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have left undone;
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past,
and strengthen us to love and obey you
in newness of life,
for the glory of your name. Amen.**

The Priest, or Bishop if present, shall say:

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, of his great mercy grant you pardon and release from all your sins, the assurance of his love, and strength to do his will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

The collect[s] appointed for the day

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

[STAND]

This hymn, or another hymn of praise:

**Glory to God in heaven,
and peace to his 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 MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD

SIT

The Lesson from the Old Testament (Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14)

I kept looking, and then
thrones were set in place and one ancient in years took his seat,
his robe was white as snow and the hair of his head like cleanest wool.
flames of fire were his throne and its wheels blazing fire;
a flowing river of fire streamed out before him.
Thousands upon thousands served him
and myriads upon myriads attended his presence.
The court sat, and the books were opened.

I was still watching in visions of the night and I saw one like a man coming with the clouds of heaven; he approached the Ancient in Years and was presented to

him. Sovereignty and glory and kingly power were given to him, so that all people and nations of every language should serve him; his sovereignty was to be an everlasting sovereignty which should not pass away, and his kingly power such as should never be impaired.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle (1 Peter 4.7-11)

The end of all things is upon us, so you must lead an ordered and sober life, given to prayer. Above all, keep your love for one another at full strength, because love cancels innumerable sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Whatever gift each of you may have received, use it in service to one another, like good stewards dispensing the grace of God in its varied forms. Are you a speaker? Speak as if you uttered oracles of God. Do you give service? Give it as in the strength which God supplies.

In all things so act that the glory may be God's through Jesus Christ; to him belong glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

Gradual Hymn: 114 NEH (10am only)

1. Now is eternal life,
If risen with Christ we stand,
In him to life reborn,
And holden in his hand;
No more we fear death's ancient dread,
In Christ arisen from the dead.
2. For God, the living God,
Stooped down to our estate;
By death destroying death,
Christ opened wide life's gate:
He lives, who died; he reigns on high;
Who lives in him shall never die.

3. Unfathomed love divine,
Reign thou within my heart;
From thee nor depth nor height,
Nor life nor death can part;
Our life is hid in God with thee,
Now and through all eternity.

Words: G.W. Briggs 1875-1959 alt
The New English Hymnal

The Gospel, which may be introduced thus:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John, chapter 15, verse 26.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

'But when your Advocate has come, whom I will send you from the Father – the Spirit of truth that issues from the Father – he will bear witness to me. And you also are my witnesses, because you have been with me from the first.

'I have told you all this to guard you against the breakdown of your faith. They will ban you from the synagogue; indeed, the time is coming when anyone who kills you will suppose that he is performing a religious duty. They will do these things because they do not know either the Father or me. I have told you all this so that when the time comes for it to happen you may remember my warning.

This is the word of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

[SIT]

The Sermon

[STAND]

On Sundays and holy days there shall be said or sung:

**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,**

light from light, true God from true God,
begotten not made,
one in being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day he rose again,
in fulfilment of 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.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE INTERCESSION

Let us pray.

KNEEL

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear the prayers of those who ask in faith, receive the prayers we offer.
Unite us in truth with all your people throughout the world, so that we may live together in love and proclaim your peace among the nations.

Father, hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Give grace to all the clergy, especially Paul our bishop, that they may commend the word of life by their example and teaching, and rightly administer your holy sacraments. Give strength to all who serve you, especially the people of this parish. Grant that we may recognise your will for us, and do it without fear.

Father, hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Guide with your loving wisdom all governments and their leaders, so that men may share with justice the resources of the earth, and live together in peace and trust. Especially we pray for Elizabeth our Queen, for this Commonwealth of Australia, for those who make and administer our laws, and for all who have responsibility among us.

Father, hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Protect and comfort, merciful Lord, all who are in any kind of trouble, sickness or want. Give them patience and a firm trust in your goodness, and relieve them according to their needs.

Father, hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise you, Lord God, for all your faithful servants in every generation in whose lives Christ has been honoured and in faith and trust we leave them in your keeping. Encourage us by their examples to run the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the source and perfecter of our faith, in whose name we are confident to say:

**Our Father in heaven,
glorify 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 LORD'S SUPPER

[SIT]

The following prayer may be said, the Priest first saying:

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

Let us pray.

[KNEEL]

**We do not presume to come to your table, Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your great mercy.**

**We are not worthy even to gather up
the crumbs under your table.**

But you are the Father, and your mercy never fails.

**We pray therefore that we may eat the body
and drink the blood of your dear Son,
so that we, being cleansed in body and soul,
may live in him, and he in us. Amen.**

STAND

We are the body of Christ;

by one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.

Let us keep the unity of the Spirit
in the bond of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you;
and also with you.

*A hymn is sung while the gifts of the people are collected and brought to
the Lord's table, which is then set for the Communion*

Offertory Hymn: 297 NEH (10am only)

1. Lord Jesus Christ,
You have come to us,
You are one with us,
Mary's Son;

Cleansing our souls from all their sin,
Pouring your love and goodness in;
Jesus, our love for you we sing,
Living Lord.

2. Lord Jesus Christ
Now and every day
Teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
This in remembrance, Lord, of you:
Into our lives your power breaks through,
Living Lord.
3. Lord Jesus Christ,
You have come to us,
Born as one with us,
Mary's Son;
Led out to die on Calvary,
Risen from death to set us free,
Living Lord Jesus, help us see
You are Lord.
4. Lord Jesus Christ,
I would come to you,
Live my life for you,
Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
Your many gifts will make me new,
Into my life your power breaks through,
Living Lord.

*The Priest shall take the bread and wine for the Communion and shall say this
Thanksgiving:*

Lift up your hearts;
we lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;
he is worthy of all praise.

You, Lord God, are worthy to receive glory and honour, and we are bound to give thanks to you, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; for you have created the heavens and the earth, and you provide food for the needs of men. But chiefly we praise you for our saviour Christ, your eternal Word, and clear image of your glory; for he, through whom all things were made, was born in the likeness of men; he took the form of a servant and died our common death.

Yet he is the true passover lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life. He ascended up on high and has poured out on us your promised Holy Spirit.

Therefore, with angels and all created things, with the patriarchs and apostles and the whole Church in heaven and earth, we honour your glorious name, and say with never-ending praise:

**Holy, holy, holy, sovereign Lord of all,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory;
yours is the victory, Lord God most high.**

Great is your victory, almighty God, for you have reconciled us to yourself in Christ your Son, our great high priest, who by his death on the cross offered once and for all the true sacrifice for sin, and intercedes for us at your right hand on high.

And now, Father, we thank you for this bread that we will break and eat in remembrance of Christ, the true and living bread who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

We thank you for this cup in remembrance of our saviour Christ, the true vine, who commanded us to love one another as he has loved us; by whose blood you have bound us to be your people in a new and lasting covenant.

For on the night he was betrayed he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying "Take, eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me". In the same way, after supper, he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me".

Therefore, Father, with thankfulness for the perfect redemption he has won for us, we do as he commanded, as we wait for his coming again. Give us life by your Holy Spirit that we may be partakers of the body and blood of your Son, and share the feast in your eternal kingdom.

**Accept our praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be glory and honour,
now and for ever. Amen.**

After breaking the bread in the sight of all, the Priest shall say:

KNEEL

Come and take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

After receiving the sacrament himself the Priest shall distribute it to the other communicants. And when he gives the bread he shall say to each communicant:

The body of Christ strengthen you.

and when the cup is given:

The blood of Christ strengthen you.

*And in each case the communicant may answer: **Amen.***

THE DISMISSAL

Let us pray.

KNEEL

**Almighty God, we offer ourselves to you
as a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Holy Spirit,
to live and work as faithful witnesses
of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Grant that, at his coming,
we may be ready to meet him.
so that, with all your saints
we may worship you for ever. Amen.**

Notices and invitations

STAND

Dismissal Hymn: 375 NEH (10am only)

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain:
Dance then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

2. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John –
They came with me and the dance went on.

Refrain

3. I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high;
They left me there on a cross to die.

Refrain

4. I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black –
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
But I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that will never, never die;
I live in you as you live in me –
I am the Lord of the Dance said he.

Refrain

Words: Sydney Carter b 1915
The New English Hymnal

God has given us his blessing;
thanks be to God.

Go on your way rejoicing;
The God of peace is with us.

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You are welcome to stay and enjoy a cuppa
and a chat in the Hall after the 10am service!

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE WEEK

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| <p><i>Happy Birthday!</i> Dawn Toussaint – 2 June Taya van der Hilst – 2 June</p> | | <p><i>† Year's Mind</i> Denham Toussaint – 30 May</p> | |
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD....

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| Mon 29 May | 1pm | Hoy Day, Kingston Green |
| Wed 31 May | 10am | Mass: The Visitation of the BVM to Elizabeth |
| Thurs 1 Jun | 10am | Day of Prayer & Reflection, CHN |
| Fri 2 Jun | 10am | Aged Care Ministry, Cheltenham Manor |
| Sun 4 Jun | | <u>Day of Pentecost / Whitsunday</u> |
| | 8am | Book of Common Prayer (BCP) |
| | 10am | Family Service with Sunday School |
| | 12pm | Soup Luncheon, Hall |

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Everyone wear RED next Sunday!

The liturgical colour for Pentecost Sunday, 4 June, is red. This signifies the fire of the Holy Spirit descending on us as it did on the apostles that day. So remember to wear red (or flame colours) next Sunday for Pentecost as we celebrate this glorious feast day.



Hoy Day tomorrow

A fundraising Hoy Day will be held tomorrow, Monday 29 May, at 1pm in the Reception Room, Kingston Green, 62 Cavanagh Street, Cheltenham. Cost \$5 includes Lucky Door Prize plus a lovely afternoon tea. All very welcome.

The Next Roster

Please write on the list in the Narthex if you will be away on any Sunday during the June – August period for roster duties. If you are currently not on the roster but would like to be, please write this on the list or contact the Parish Office.

URGENT

Op Shop Volunteers Needed

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St Matthew's Op Shop needs more volunteers. Please consider whether you can spare some time to give to this important ministry and venture of our parish. The situation has taken on an urgency; one half day a month would help! You may know of a friend or neighbour who could do likewise or a member of one of our partner churches.

If you would like more information please contact Julie Johnston on 0418 580 818 or Fr Ron.



Soup lunch next Sunday!

We will 'celebrate' Sunday 4 June with a soup and crusty bread lunch (followed by desserts!) in the Hall at 12 noon. Please note on the list in the Narthex if you can contribute.



On the road to 150...

As a lead-up to our 150th celebrations we will revisit these services on the last Sunday of the months as we move towards September.

25 June – From the Deposited Prayer Book of 1928

CHN Day of Prayer & Reflection



The Sisters of the Community of the Holy Name invite you to a Day of Prayer & Reflection this Thursday, 1 June, at the Community House, 40 Cavanagh Street, Cheltenham. 10am – 3pm, BYO lunch (tea and coffee provided)

Don't forget...

Our monthly Family Service will be held next Sunday, 4 June, at 10am and includes fun activities for children in our Sunday School! Tell your family, friends and neighbours! All very welcome



Stewardship – Weekly Offering



The new sets of envelopes are about to be distributed so if you currently do not contribute to our stewardship via the convenience of weekly envelopes you may like to do so!



If this is the case please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you to those who already contribute but please prayerfully consider increasing the amount of your giving.

Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement, which invites Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. What started out as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York in 2016 to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer.

*Almighty God,
your ascended Son has sent us into the world
to preach the good news of your kingdom:
inspire us with your Spirit
and fill our hearts with the fire of your love,
that all who hear your Word
may be drawn to you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Website: www.thykingdomcome.global

The Ascension of Jesus

While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven. Luke 24:51 (NIV)

Based on Luke 24:44-53

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OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

St Matthew's

Wednesday 31 May:

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth
10am Mass – Fr Ron White

Friends of St Francis

Sunday 28 May:

9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

TODAY'S ROSTER – 28 MAY

| 8 AM | | 10 AM | |
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| Sidespeople: | Julie Johnston Rob Johnston | Sidespeople: | Val Fielder |
| Reader: | N/A | Reader: | N/A |
| Chalice: | N/A | Chalice: | N/A |
| Server: | | Server: | Phil Whelan |
| Intercessions: | N/A | Intercessions: | N/A |

NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 4 JUNE

| 8 AM | | 10 AM | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Sidespeople: | Julie Johnston Rob Johnston | Sidespeople: | Kath Daly |
| Reader: | Fr Ron | Reader: | Lesley Boyd |
| Chalice: | John Thompson | Chalice: | Harold Daly |
| Server: | | Server: | Mitch Porter |
| Intercessions: | Fr Ron | Intercessions: | Fr Ron |

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – DAY OF PENTECOST / WHITSUNDAY

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| Acts 2.1-21 | Hymn for the Psalm | 1 Corinthians 12.1-13 | John 20.19-23 |
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