

Second Gawaymbanha Alternate Service

5 February, 2023



We welcome you to St. Oswald's Church and to this service, especially if you are new or a visitor among us. Please make yourself known to the welcomers, so that they may introduce you to other members of the congregation. Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

We acknowledge the sovereign country of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation on which we gather.

Outline of Today's Service from

The Anglican Province of Victoria Liturgical Committee
Prayer and Intercession Aboriginal Gathering
Based on the Process from the *Statement of the Heart*
Authorised for use by
the Archbishop of Melbourne on 8 December 2022

Opening Hymn	Printed
Holy Communion	Printed in Service Book
The Collect (printed)	
Readings	Isaiah 58:1-9a
8 am	Psalms 112 APBA p. 344
8 am	1 Corinthians 2: 1—12
10 am	Voice poem Matthew 5:13-20



Offertory Hymn	Printed
Final Hymn	Printed

Today's Ministries

8 am	Reader	
10 am	Reader	T. Andrews
	Intercessor	K. Ennis
	Welcome / Offertory	E. Comeadow
	Morning Tea	J. Haigh Lisa Williams



From the Vicar

Last week we explored the place of Voice in our liturgy and the relationship between the Statement from the Heart, which we read, and the Beatitudes, the seminal section of the Sermon on the plain.

This week we have Jesus drawing out for us the challenge that sits within the Beatitudes. He uses a simple analogy – salt and light. If salt loses its flavour, it cannot season food in the way it is supposed to. If it is left out in the elements, it simply doesn't work as it should. Light or lights are only good if you can see them and if they are uncovered and glow into the dark, and they may be seen no matter how weak and tentatively they may flicker. But if we cover them up, not only do they not shine into the dark, but they will also eventually be starved of oxygen and go out.

William Loader suggests:

"God is light. Jesus is light. And, says Matthew's Jesus, so are you! But not as an elite, as a group of privileged people, be it Israel or Christians, who once, perhaps, were good salt, but as people living the kind of life called for in the challenge of the Beatitudes."

The salt and light analogy does not stand alone. It is connected directly to the challenge of the Beatitudes. The challenge for us is to bless those who are not blessed in the way we are, those we have left behind.

This is a deep challenge, and may we listen to hear, reflect and then to act to bless others.

Glenn

Diary for the Week

St Oswald's Facebook page

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Wednesday 8 February 2023

10 am **Holy Communion**

Thursday 9 February

7.30 pm **Choir Practice**

Sunday 12 February —Live streamed

Second Aboriginal Service

8 am **Holy Communion**

10 am **Sung Eucharist**

Readings 12 February

Deuteronomy 10:12-22

8 am—Psalm 119: 1—8

8 am—1 Corinthians 3: 1—9

10 am—ya-l-ali-ga-rra wirray—

don't do it again, don't repeat what you did before

Matthew 5:21 – 37

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Intercessions

For the church:

Casey Dinka Congregation AAC (Peter Alier Jongroor); The Diocese of Bunbury (Bp Ian Coutts, Clergy & People); The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea;

Departed

Dorothy Hughes, Ethel Nicholson, George Masterton, John Sambell, Richard Shapcott, Ellen Nicholson,.

Afternoon Tea-Set

Tuesday 14 February 2023

2 – 4 pm

Please join us to celebrate

Valentine's Day

We will meet at St Oswald's Hall
100 High Street, Glen Iris

for

an afternoon of friendship, fun and lots of chatting...
and a cup of tea with tasty goodies.

Please bring along a small plate to share.

All welcome

Transport available if required

Contact Judy Johnson 0417 315 542

Ravin Rambler's February Walk

Saturday 11th February

Ferndale Park, Glen Iris Road

We will **meet at the earlier time** of 10am, to escape the heat of the day. We will meet at the back of the park, away from Glen Iris Road, parking in Wallis Avenue, off Ferndale Road.

Those who wish can get coffee at the local café, or you can bring your own.

We will have a short local walk, approx 1 hour.

Lunch will be at 11.30 and another walk in the afternoon for those who want to.

Bring chairs and table if you have one, lunch, hat, sunscreen and water.

Toilets are available nearby.

Contact Jill and John O'Shea 0409 212 665

Or the Ravin's website stoswaldsgleniris.net.au

Making a Tax-Deductible Donation to St Oswald's Anglican Church

An Account has been established to receive Tax Deductible Donations for the **St Oswald's Aboriginal Creative Arts Project** and the **St Oswald's Music Fund**. This Fund is administered by the Melbourne Anglican Foundation

How can you donate? --It's simple - follow these few steps.

Select Melbourne Anglican Foundation – Make a Donation on your search engine (e.g. Google)

Select the Box

Donate online to MAF here

Web address <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/make-a-donation/>

The form comes up for you to fill in your details

Select the Fund you wish to donate to as:

Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation Inc (MACO)

When you have done so you are asked to make another selection from another box titled '*General Funds*'

Click on the arrow and make your choice - either

**St Oswald's Aboriginal Creative Arts Project OR
St Oswald's Music Fund**

Enter the Amount you wish to donate, then click '*Confirm details and move to the payment portal*'

Follow and complete the payment details.

Thank you for helping to promote Music and Arts at St Oswald's Anglican Church.

Hymns, Collect and Readings

Processional Hymn: Tune TiS 526

1. **Creator God, you made every race
giving each your law, good and true.
We are to worship you, O God,
care for creation in your name,
love and forgive as you love us,
Holy God.**
2. **Lord Jesus Christ, you have made us one,
binding each to you, making peace;
healing the wounds our hands have made;
asking for truth and grace to rule,
justice, respect and loyalty,
Covenant Lord.**
3. **Spirit of Christ, present from all time,
guiding, shedding light, giving life;
Counsellor, make us strong to fight,
Free as the wind to do the right,
ready to follow all the way
yet untrod.**
4. **One God in three, bonded strong in love,
reaching out to all, giving God!
Build in this land community -
black, white and brown, one family-
serving the world your love has made,
God of grace.**

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Collect

**Spirit of vitality,
empower us with the essence of heaven and earth
so we can live faithfully our vocation as custodians of all that is created.
In this space may we be both salt and light,
the ones who season our country with wisdom,
knowledge, and story, singing up wholeness and life.
May we also be fire carriers for all with whom we live in relationship,
keeping alive the traditions, values, and lore for all. Amen.**

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

[Isaiah 58: 1—9a]

¹ Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ² Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. ³ "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁴ Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? ⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. ⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

Hear what the ancestors speak into our world.

Second Reading

Jesus is God spoken
on country
from country
honouring the country of
his father and his mother
speaking truth into each
from the other

Jesus the Christ
is God's voice
into the realm of humanity
and
humanity's voice
into the realm of God

Jesus the Christ
is the sovereignty of God
incarnate
walking
with the sovereign people
of God's creation

the incarnated Christ
becomes the voice of
God's creation
at the throne of God
interceding on our behalf.

sovereignty remains
honoured in both places
in both realms
each speaking truth to the other
responding
to bring wholeness
fulfillment
cleansing to all.

yany-ndhu gulbara (so you understand)

Hear what the ancestors speak into our world.

Second reading 8 am only

1 Corinthians 2: 1—13

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸ None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him' — ¹⁰ these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³ And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

For the gospel of the Lord,
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Offertory Hymn: TiS 548

- 1. Eternal light, shine in my heart;
eternal hope, lift up my eyes:
eternal power, be my support;
eternal wisdom, make me wise.**
- 2. Eternal life, raise me from death;
eternal brightness, make me see:
eternal Spirit, give me breath;
eternal Saviour, come to me:**
- 3. Until by your most costly grace,
invited by your holy word,
at last I come before your face
to know you, my eternal God.**

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Recessional Hymn: Tune TiS 493

- 1. As a fire is meant for burning
with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission,
giving glory to God's name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs,
but to build a bridge of care,
we join hands across the nations,
finding neighbours everywhere.**

- 2. We are learners; we are teachers;
we are pilgrims on the way.
we are seekers; we are givers;
we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle loving actions,
we would show that Christ is light,
in a humble listening spirit,
we would live to God's delight.**

- 3. As a green bud in the springtime
is a sign of life renewed,
so may we be signs of oneness
mid earth's peoples many hued.
As a rainbow lights the heavens
when a storm is past and gone,
may our lives reflect the radiance
of God's new and glorious dawn.**

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