



St. Oswald's
 ANGLICAN CHURCH
 GLEN IRIS

Fifth Gawaymbanha Alternate Service

First Sunday in Lent

26 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** Genesis 32: 22—31
 8 am Psalm 32
 8 am Romans 5:12-21
 10 am **murrambang – Justice**
 Matthew 4:1-11



- Offertory Hymn** **Printed**

- Final Hymn** **Printed**

Today's Ministries	
8 am	Reader
10 am	Reader J. Warfe
	Intercessor W. Andrews
	Welcome / Offertory
	Morning Tea R. Adams C. Adams



From the Vicar

Folks

This week has been an exciting week for me personally and for our Nation.

I had the opportunity to meet with three Canadian Indian Elders, as well as Uncle Shane Charles and Dylan Charles, and others for a yarnning circle on Monday. The opportunity to hear their experience with treaty was a great exchange of ideas and insights. Together we then met with the First Peoples Assembly of Victoria and the Yoorook Commission. These provided us with insights into the workings of both organisations and opportunities to discuss matters important to all Victorians.

In the evening I was the keynote speaker at a dialogue in the Cathedral co-sponsored by Victorian Council of Churches, the Interfaith Centre of Melbourne, and St Paul's. It was an exciting event as we listened to the Canadian Elders and local Elders from Victoria and South Australia share their experiences.

On Wednesday I flew to Adelaide for a day and a half of input in the Yes campaign before we launched the Campaign on Thursday evening. It was good being able to network with other First People's and gain insight into what is needed for a successful campaign.

Today we complete our 5-week journey on the Voice and the Church. We are joined today with not just one didgeridoo player but two. Uncle Shane and Dylan Charles will help us in our ceremony and share the powerful medicine that is the didge.

I hope this series has been helpful, and it has been great to see visitors joining us and sharing in conversation on these matters over morning tea. Thank you.

Glenn

Diary for the Week

St Oswald's Facebook page

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Wednesday 1 March 2023

10 am **Holy Communion**

Thursday 2 March

7.30 pm **Choir Practice**

Sunday 5 March —Live streamed

Second Sunday in Lent

8 am **Holy Communion**

10 am **Sung Eucharist**

Readings 5 March

Genesis 12: 1—4a

Psalm 121

Romans 4: 1—5

John 3: 1—17

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For the church:

Christ Church Dingley; Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia;
Korowa Anglican Girls' School,

Departed

Ella Whitehead, Dorothy Inglis, Jean Commons.

OBSOLETE COFFEE PLUNGERS

We have need in the Church hall kitchen for another couple of the larger 4 cup coffee plungers; if you have any in your kitchen cupboard you don't need could we have them please?

Many thanks,

Cheryl Adams

Men of Glenburton

The first MOG activity for the year will be a bowls night at Ashburton Bowls Club followed by pizza dinner on Monday 27 February commencing at 6:00pm. Please contact John O'Shea on 0439223006 or at jjoshea@netspace.net.au if you would like to join us.

The cost for the evening is \$25 with a slight variation possible depending on the cost of the pizzas. This is always a popular start to the MOG year.

Dick Adams

Ministries Roster

The next Ministries Roster will be prepared to commence on Sunday 5th March (Lent 2) and go through to include June 11th (Pentecost 2). There will be a folder at the back of the Church for you to put in your names and dates of unavailability for that time.

For those not currently on the ministries roster I do urge you to offer your services to help spread some of the tasks around. You can also email or phone me with your dates.

Many thanks, **Cheryl Adams** - rcadams@westnet.com.au 9885 1054: 0414 713 136

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.

Food for Bendigo Flood Relief

Many thanks to so many people for your generous contributions of groceries , including fresh fruit and vegetables, which we took up to Bendigo this past Monday.

We had the back of the car and the whole back seat loaded with all kinds of food. We met Rev Shannon Smith at Bendigo, who will share it all with the communities she supports, including the First Nations group in Robinvale. She was so grateful and called you all the Saints of St. Oswald's!!!!

She also passed on a message of grateful thanks from Bishop Matt from the Cathedral in Bendigo for your great generosity.

We are a wonderful giving parish. We will have more collections as people in the north of the state are still doing it very tough.

Congratulations and thanks to all.

Peter and Judy Johnson



The fall of humanity into the sin of disobedience was engineered by Satan through the temptation to acquire the forbidden power of knowledge and wisdom. The psalmist tells us that the burden of sin is relieved by prayer and trust in God, accepting instruction and counselling obediently, but humanity is still doomed to live as sinners. The gift of grace is offered by the one man who was able to resist the temptation to power and whose obedience to God's will ensured that death no longer had dominion.

- Pray for the humility to live in obedience to God's will, and to accept with gratitude the gift of grace offered by our Saviour.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

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Hymns, Collect and Readings

Processions Hymn (tune AHB 115)

Let us sing to the God of the covenant,
God who rescued the slaves from fear,
God who says to us, "You are my people.
You shall love as I have first loved you."

*Covenant people! Covenant people!
Worship now the God of steadfast love.
Peace and justice, faithful living,
Bring among us now we pray.*

Let us sing of the Word dwelling with us,
Naming outcasts his family,
Humbly taking the form of a servant,
Giving life to us in bread and wine.

*Covenant people! Covenant people!
Worship now the God of steadfast love.
Peace and justice, faithful living,
Bring among us now we pray.*

We will live by the law of the covenant –
Love, respect, solidarity;
Black and white, hand in hand is our motto,
Different ways, but one dream, one God.

*Covenant people! Covenant people!
Worship now the God of steadfast love.
Peace and justice, faithful living,
Bring among us now we pray.*

**Love shall cast out all fear from among us,
Love defeat racist hate and wrong;
Love shall heal ancient hurts, broken spirits,
Love shall fan the dying coals to life.**

***Covenant people! Covenant people!
Worship now the God of steadfast love.
Peace and justice, faithful living,
Bring among us now we pray.***

**Christ was raised, giving hope of a new start.
Spirit gives life to all who grieve.
God shall yet rule this land with a people
Reconciled, and with the earth at peace.**

***Covenant people! Covenant people!
Worship now the God of steadfast love.
Peace and justice, faithful living,
Bring among us now we pray.***

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Collect

**God of oneness and wholeness,
may we hear your call for justice,
not just for those like us but for those most unlike us.
May we hear what is written within each created thing
and live so that all can experience your justice in their lived experience.
Guide us in our enacted story so no one is excluded from your unfailing love.
Amen.**

A reading from the Book of Genesis

[Genesis 32: 22—31]

²² The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left

alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Hear what the ancestors speak into our world.

Psalm 32 - 8 am only APBA page 252

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans [Romans 5: 12—21] **8 am only**

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³ sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴ Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. ¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷ If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹ For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. ²⁰ But law came in, with the

result that the trespass multiplied; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, ²¹ so that, just as sin exercised dominion in death, so grace might also exercise dominion through justification leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Second Reading—10 am only

Murrumbang – justice

justice

wholeness

belonging place

custodial being

respect

responsibility

reciprocity

putting back

bringing in

not revenge

payback

brutality

disrespecting place

and ancestors' tradition

held in country

becoming the invader

acting cruelty

separation

disconnection

justice

seeks repair

honours country

and all it holds
the wisdom of the ancients
the experience of the elders
the life of the people
and the every'when

yany-ndhu gulbara (So you understand)

Hear what the ancestors speak into our world.

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

[Matthew 4: 1—11]

¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴ But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' ⁷ Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹ and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' ¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

- 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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Recessional Hymn: TiS 672

**Lord of earth and all creation,
let your love possess our land:
wealth, and freedom, far horizons,
mountain, forest, shining sand:
may we share, in faith and friendship,
gifts unmeasured from your hand.**

**People of the ancient Dreamtime,
they who found this country first,
ask with those, the later comers,
will our dream be blessed or cursed?
Grant us, Lord, new birth, new living,
hope for which our children thirst.**

**Lord, life-giving healing Spirit,
on our hurts your mercy shower;
lead us by your inward dwelling,
guiding, guarding, every hour.
Bless and keep our land Australia:
in your will her peace and power.**

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and honor Mary Thwaites 1914 – 93
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