



The Anglican Church of Australia
Diocese of Wangaratta

The Parish of Kilmore

with Broadford, Pyalong & Tallarook

28th June 2015

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

HYMNS: 560(i), 665, 638, 683

A warm welcome to everyone please stay and enjoy hospitality after the service.



Introit Hymn from the red Hymn Book

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace

The Liturgy continues on page 119 Green Prayer Book

SENTENCE

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. *Lamentations 3.22–23*

THE COLLECT

O Christ for whom we search, our help when help has failed: give us courage to expose our need and ask to be made whole, that, being touched by you, we may be raised to new life in the power of your name, for you reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

2 Samuel 1.1, 17-27

[In spite of Saul's persecution of him, David sings a song of grief for Saul's death, and that of Jonathan. David's respect and praise for Saul, and his love for Jonathan, are expressed in the beauty of the poetry, and no anger or hatred of Saul is present in David's grief.]

A reading from the second book of Samuel

After the death of King Saul, David returned from striking down the Amalekites and stayed in Ziklag two days. David took up this lament concerning Saul and his son Jonathan, and he ordered that the people of Judah be taught this lament of the bow (it is written in the Book of Jashar): 'A gazelle lies slain on your heights, Israel. How the mighty have fallen! 'Tell it not in Gath, proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon, lest the daughters of the Philistines be glad, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised rejoice. 'Mountains of Gilboa, may you have neither dew nor rain, may no showers fall on your terraced fields. For there the shield of the mighty was despised, the shield of Saul – no longer rubbed with oil. 'From the blood of the slain, from the flesh of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan did not turn back, the sword of Saul did not return unsatisfied. Saul and Jonathan – in life they were loved and admired, and in death they were not parted. They were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions. 'Daughters of Israel, weep for Saul, who clothed you in scarlet and finery, who adorned your garments with ornaments of gold. 'How the mighty have fallen in battle! Jonathan lies slain on your heights. I grieve for you, Jonathan my brother; you were very dear to me. Your love for me was wonderful, more wonderful than that of women. 'How the mighty have fallen! The weapons of war have perished!'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 130

[A cry to God for redemption and rescue, in which hope in God's faithful love is expressed.]

Response: With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

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Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice;
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication./R

If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with you, so that you shall be feared./R

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my hope.
My soul waits for the Lord,
more than the night watch for the morning,
more than the night watch for the morning./R

O Israel, wait for the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy;
With him is plenteous redemption
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins./R

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 8.7-15

[Paul encourages the Corinthian Christians to share their abundance with others who are less fortunate. He explains that he doesn't want them to go without for the sake of others, but rather that their surplus can help others who have lack. In time the situation may be reversed and this ensures that all have enough and are equal.]

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians

Paul writes, 'Since you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you – see that you also excel in this grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, as it is written: 'The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little.' '

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Our Saviour Jesus Christ has abolished death
and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 5.21-43

[The synagogue leader Jairus asks Jesus to heal his sick daughter. On his way, a woman who has been bleeding for twelve years touches him and is healed. Jesus goes on to Jairus' house, where his daughter has now died and Jesus raises her from the dead to the amazement of all.]

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.' While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Gracious God, you are the healer; you are the one who makes bodies whole, who restores relationships, who binds up broken hearts; we pray for your world - broken, bleeding, fleeing, frightened; may your Spirit bring the healing so desperately needed to bring peace and harmony; empower our hearts with your generosity, that we may reach out in concern for others, and be your loving hands. God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, bless your church with your gracious Spirit, and all who touch the lives and hearts with your words of grace and compassion; for chaplains and pastors, priests and ministers; for John our Bishop and our parish that we may we may be faithful to your calling as your people.

God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God fill our nation and its leaders with the spirit of unity, that we may live into the ideals of liberty and justice for all; heal us and the earth that we may share with justice the resources of the land; we pray for all who are marginalised; for refugees and asylum seekers and all held in detention and those who care for them.

God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, let your healing and protection be powerfully present with all who are vulnerable, especially women and children, and the sick and the suffering; we pray for all who practice the arts of healing, nursing and caring.

God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, be near to those who suffer with chronic pain or illness of the mind; for the distressed and the grieving and all in need, those known to us and those who have requested prayer.

Requests for Prayer: *Chris Schafer, Glen Turnbull, Karen Goodger, Alex Impols, Cathy Moseley, & Melissa & family, Seth Gunther, Cliff & Gwen Stomann, Tom & Sandra Davidson & Bianca Davidson, Tom Scrivens, Jenny Curry, Dianne Mitsakis, Mark Bennetts, Barbara Kaye, Matthew Parker, Darron & Silva, Sarah, Margeurite Kisvardai.*

May they know you and your healing touch and we give thanks for healing and blessings wherever received.

God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we commend to your mercy and love the recently departed; for *Stuart Young (priest)* and those years mind occurring at this time;

Year's mind: *28th Rita Foster, Herbert Cook, Margaret Muston; 29th Joseph Milbun, Belle Minney; 30th Billie Hill; July 1st Nancy Diamond; 2nd Jack Byrne, Hilda Kirby, Ian Robertson, Margaret Burns, Robert Lang; 3rd John Williamson, Charles Hutchinson; 4th Thomas Pearce, Jean Creusot.*

Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Your healing touch, O Christ, reaches into our suffering and our fear, raising us to new life and wholeness; hear as we pray for ourselves; help us to take a risk, to be like the woman in the gospel who reaches out to Jesus for healing for herself; or the father who risks the scorn of others to bring Jesus to his dying daughter and in faith trust the goodness of your grace and mercy.

God, who touches our hearts with love; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, out of your eternal abundance, you gave to us your Son Jesus Christ, who though he was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that by his poverty we might become rich; let all who draw near to you be healed and empowered to serve your generous intentions for all creation; we pray in the power of your Spirit that dwells among us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reflection on the Readings

The grace and care of God for humanity, and the call for us to care for one another shines through all of the readings today. In the reading from 2nd Samuel, David grieves for Saul, even though the dead king had been his enemy and persecutor. He also grieves for Jonathan whom he had loved dearly. David's grace and care, and his instruction for the whole nation to join him in grief for their king, demonstrates the faithful love and grace of God, and examples the kind of character that God seeks to nurture in us. The Psalm reflects on God's faithfulness and grace and the hope and trust we can place in the God who seeks to find us and bring us life. In Paul's letter to the Corinthian Church he encourages them to care for other believers and share their abundance in order that all may have enough. Finally, in the Gospel reading, Jesus heals two people – the daughter of a wealthy religious leader and a poor, excluded, “unclean” woman. Here, the indiscriminate love and grace of Jesus is reflected, as he meets both rich and poor, powerful and weak, at their point of need and the result is healing. All of these readings reveal God's compassion and love for all people, and the challenge for us to love as we have been loved, while sharing our resources and preserving the dignity of others. It's a call to allow our faith in God's nature and mission to lead us into gracious and generous relationships in which we care for and bring wholeness and life to one another. Perhaps one of the most unsustainable facets of global human culture at this point in history is our tendency toward “us and them” thinking. We love our friends and hate our enemies. We share with those who are like us or who “belong” with us, but we take from or ignore those who are different, or who are not part of “us”. We draw lines across racial, socio-economic, political, national, generational, ideological, religious, sexual, and tribal lines and we withhold dignity, compassion, and generosity from those who do not fit into our particular circle, or are construed as dangerous and a threat. The Gospel message is an indictment on this behaviour and a challenge to change. If we could begin to focus on what connects us and not so much on what divides us; if we could begin to share and respect one another and honour one another's dignity; if we could find ways to serve and share with one another, we might be able to address the unnecessary

suffering (hunger, homelessness, disease, and war) that devastates our world. The challenge in the readings then is to recognise how the smallest acts of connection and service can contribute to global healing and peace. Loving enemies, outcasts, or outsiders is never easy, but it remains a central call of the Gospel, a central mark of the truly Christ-centred life, and brings healing and wholeness for all.

Adapted from John van de Laar (2015) www.sacredise.com

NOTICES

Celtic Mass - A warm welcome to our visitors this morning to this special liturgy from the Celtic tradition.

Church4Kids this afternoon 5pm at Christ Church - Activities, stories, songs, games and BBQ for ages 4-14. All welcome. Helpers are also welcome.

Property Committee meeting this Wednesday 7.30pm @ Christ Church

Faith Enhancement Group meets 7.00pm Friday 3rd July @ 13 The Parade Broadford. If you would like to attend and need transport please contact Fr Kim.

Request for Prayer List edit: Please provide to Fr Kim names to be kept or added to the list of people requesting prayer. People must have given permission for their names to be listed.

Knitters, for knitting squares, scarves and beanies for Missions through Assumption College. Squares need to be 55 stitches wide with 8 ply wool and number 8 needles.

2015 Bishop's Winter Appeal for Anglicare Hume - donations sought to support the programs provided by Anglicare which includes, counselling, emergency food distribution, parish programs and special needs. Donations are tax deductible, provide details if receipt needed.



Direct Debit Offerings - Parish Account details: CBA Account Name 'Kilmore Anglican Parish'; BSB 063-698; Account Number 1018 4649.

Parish life this week

Monday 29th	[PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES & MARTYRS]
Wednesday July 1st	[Coming of the Light, <i>first missionaries to the Torres Strait (1871)</i>] 10.00am Eucharist Christ Church Seymour 7.30pm Property Committee Meeting @ Christ Church
Thursday 2nd	10.00am Eucharist St Matthews Broadford 10.00am Eucharist Willowmeade 4.00pm Eucharist Dianella
Friday 3rd	10.00am - 4.00pm Op Shop, Church House 7.00pm Faith Enhancement Group
Saturday 4th	10.00am- 12.00pm Op Shop, Church House

Parish Diary

1st Wed	7.30pm	Property Committee Meeting	venue TBA
1st & 3rd Fri	7.00pm	Faith Enhancement Study	13 The Parade, Broadford
2nd Sun	12.30pm	Parish BBQ	See Notices for details
3rd Tues	1.30pm	St Matthew's Friendship Group	Gavan Hall Broadford
3rd Wed	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	venue TBA
4th Sun	5.00pm	Church 4 Kids	Christ Church

SERVICES

Next Sunday: 5th July 2015 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost [13]

2 Samuel 5.1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12.2-10; Mark 6.1-13

Christ Church	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthews	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Stephens	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Transfiguration	4.00pm	Holy Eucharist

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