

Welcome to St Peter's Eastern Hill

*Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846*



Byzantine mosaic, *Salvator Mundi* (c. 1100-1150)

Ordinary Sunday 30

25th October 2020

Parish Mass, 10.30am

Live-streamed on the St Peter's FaceBook page & YouTube channel

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

As we are currently unable to gather in church as a faith community, we warmly invite you to join us online each Sunday live-streamed to FaceBook (www.facebook.com/stpeterseasternhill) and YouTube (www.youtube.com/c/StPetersEasternHill).

Mass setting: E. Bairstow (1874-1946) *Service for the Office of Holy Communion*

Prelude: J. Langlais (1907-91) *Chant de Paix.*

Celebrant: In the name of the Father + and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The celebrant chants the collect for purity.

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 cantor sings: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

The celebrant introduces the confession:

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 celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God,
Who has promised forgiveness of sins
to all those 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.**

The Gloria.

Glory be to God on high
And in earth peace, goodwill towards men,
We praise thee, we bless thee,
 we worship thee, we glorify thee,
 we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
 have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
 thou only art the Lord;
 thou only, O Christ,
 with the Holy Ghost,
 art most high
+ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The celebrant prays the Collect.

O God, whose Son has taught us
That love is the fulfilment of your law:
Stir up within us the fire of your Holy Spirit,
And pour into our hearts your greatest gift of love,
So that we may love you with our whole being,
And our neighbours as ourselves;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 22.21-27

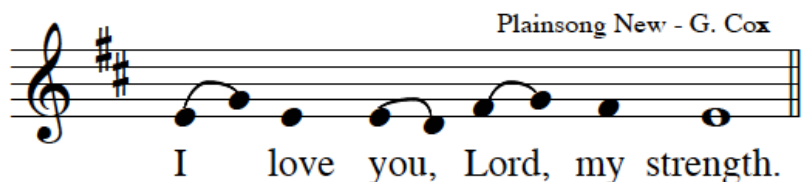
The Lord said to Moses: “Thus shall you say to the Israelites, these are the ordinances that you shall set before them. You shall not wrong or oppress a

resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children orphans. If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them. If you take your neighbour's cloak in pawn, you shall restore it before the sun goes down; for it may be your neighbour's only clothing to use as cover; in what else shall that person sleep? And if your neighbour cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate.”

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

PSALM 18:1-3, 6, 46 & 50

The cantor leads the singing of the Psalm. Please join in the response.



I love you, O Lord, my strength.
 The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer.
 My God, my rock in whom I take refuge,
 My shield, and the source of my salvation, my stronghold. **R.**

I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
 So I shall be saved from my enemies.
 From his temple he heard my voice,
 And my cry to him reached his ears. **R.**

The Lord lives! Blessed be my rock,
 And exalted be the God of my salvation.
 Great triumphs he gives to his king,
 And shows steadfast love to his anointed. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true

God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead - Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-40

The cantor leads the singing of the antiphon. Please join in the response.

P. Carmody

A le - lu - ia, a le - lu - ia.

The celebrant: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you + Lord Jesus Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” Jesus said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon: Alae Taule’alo

Please stand for the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant *All*

We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the al - might - y,
mak - er of hea - ven and earth, of all that is,
seen and un - seen. We be - lieve in
one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God,

e - ter - nal - ly be - got - ten of the Fa - ther,
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
 be - got - ten, not made, of one be - ing with the Fa - ther;
 through him all things were made. For us and for
 our sal - va - tion he came down from hea - ven,
 and was in - car - nate of the ho - ly Spi - rit
 and the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and be - came tru - ly hu - man.
 For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;
 he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain
 in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he as - cend - ed in - to hea - ven
 and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a - gain in glo - ry
 to judge the liv - ing and the dead and his king - dom will have no end.



We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life,
 who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son, who with the Fa - ther and the
 Son is wor - shipped and glo - ri - fied, who has spok - en through the pro - phets.
 We be - lieve in one, ho - ly, cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church.
 We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the for - give - ness of sins.
 We look for the re - sur - rect - ion of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. A - - - - -
 - - - - - men.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

And at the end: Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,
and let light + perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant: 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 THE PEACE

Celebrant: We are the body of Christ.
His Spirit is with us.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Motet: J.S. Bach (1685-1750) *Jesu, joy of man's desiring* (from *Cantata No. 147*)

Celebrant: Blessed are you . . . **Blessed be God forever.**
Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice
may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.
**May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands
to the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his Church.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
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.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to

Celebrant: . . . forever praising you and saying:
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
+ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith . . .
**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We worship you, Father Almighty,
in songs of never-ending praise . . .
**Blessing and honour and glory and power
Are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant

As our Sav - iour Christ has taught us, we are con - fi - dent to pray,
 Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name,
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.
 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins
 as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us
 from the time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil.
 For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours
 now and for ev - er. A - men.

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

All remaining kneeling.

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
 Have mercy on us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
 Have mercy on us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
 Grant us thy peace.**

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed 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.**

The Blessed Sacrament is shared. Those viewing from home are invited to join in spiritual communion (for more detail see bit.ly/2DnGZoU) and may wish to pray the following prayer:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
For all the benefits you have given me,
For all the pains and insults you have borne for me;
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart;
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
May I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
And follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

After St Richard of Chichester's prayer

At the conclusion of Holy Communion there is a short time of silent prayer, before the hymn.

**1. O worship the King
All glorious above;
O gratefully sing
His power and his love:
Our Shield and Defender,
The Ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendour,
And girded with praise.**

**2. O tell of his might,
O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light,
Whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path
On the wings of the storm.**

3. This earth, with its store
Of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power
Hath founded of old:
Hath stablished it fast
By a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast,
Like a mantle, the sea.

4. O measureless Might,
Ineffable Love,
While angels delight
To hymn thee above,
Thy humbler creation,
Though feeble their lays,
With true adoration
Shall sing to thy praise.

NEH 433 (vv. 1-3 & 6)

Words: R. Grant (1779-1838)

Music: W. Croft (1678-1727); descant, A. Gray (1855-1935)

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant chants the post-communion prayer:

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
Which we have known in word and sacrament,
Continue you saving work among us,
Give us courage for our pilgrimage,
And bring us to the joys you promise.

**Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

The blessing: The peace of God ...

The celebrant dismisses the congregation.

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

Postlude: F. Mendelssohn (1809-47) *Allegro moderato, Sonata No. 2*