

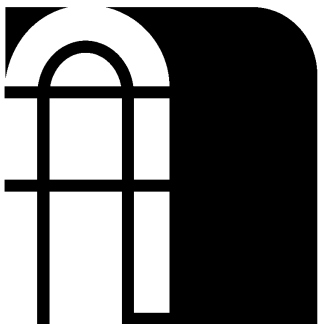
St James' Old Cathedral

21st June 2026 at 10:00am

Third Sunday after Trinity

Philippians 2:1-18

*Service of Holy Communion from
A Prayer Book for Australia (1995)*



St James' Old Cathedral

Acknowledgement of Country

We worship our creator God on the ancestral lands of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. We acknowledge them as the traditional and continuing custodians of this land and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

Child Safety Officer

We are committed to continuous improvement in a safe culture for all, and especially vulnerable persons. Our parish's Child Safety Officer is Una Ebsworth. Una is an accredited specialist in criminal law. All correspondence and questions relating to safety checks should be forwarded to her at safety@sjoc.org.au.

The Old Cathedral Voices

Formed in March 2009 from some of Melbourne's finest choral soloists, The Old Cathedral Voices are a consort choir directed by Alex Ritter.

Today's singers are:

Monika Harris	Carolyn Baker	Maggie Dunleavy	Yujia Chen
Alex Ritter	Hamish Gould	Tanum Shipp	
Mike Mews	Matthew Crossley		

The Organ

The present organ was built in 1991 by Australian Pipe Organs, restoring and expanding the 1866 Fincham organ.

2 manuals, 18 speaking stops, 8 couplers, electro-pneumatic action. Gt: 8.8.4.4.2.III. Sw: 8.8.8.4.2.III.8. Ped: 16.16.10-2/3.8.4.

The Old Cathedral's organist is David Brown. David undertook studies as an organ scholar at the Universities of Cambridge and St Andrews and is currently also organist for Scotch College.

The Bells

Melbourne's first peal of bells were the six bells hung in St James' Cathedral in 1853, replacing an old ship's bell. Two more were added in 1885. All were cast by Mears and Stainbank of Whitechapel Road, London, and are reputed to be the finest ever cast there. They are still rung regularly by a team of volunteers.

Processional (All Stand)

The Old Cathedral Voices

Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake

R. Farrant (1530-80)

Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake

lay not our sins to our charge:

but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives,

to decline from sin and incline to virtue:

that we may walk in an upright heart

before thee now and evermore. Amen.

(Lidley's Prayers 1566)

Greeting & Preparation

Bridget Chapman

We worship in the Spirit of God

and boast in Christ Jesus:

Phil 3:3

To our God and Father

be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Phil 4:20

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

And also with you.

Phil 4:23

A Collect for Purity

Bridget Chapman

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

whose peace guards our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus:

make our love to overflow more and more

with knowledge and full insight

to help us determine what really matters,

so that in the day of Christ we may be pure and blameless,

having produced the harvest of righteousness

that comes through Jesus Christ

for your glory and praise. Amen.

Phil 4:7; 1:9-11

Hymn 180 (Sine Nomine 384)

F. Tucker (1895-1984)

**All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,
that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia!**

**Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought;
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought;
and by thy death was God's salvation wrought. Alleluia!**

**Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
who wast a servant that we might be free,
humbling thyself to death on Calvary. Alleluia!**

**Wherefore by God's eternal purpose, thou
art high exalted o'er all creatures now,
and given the name to which all knees shall bow. Alleluia!**

**Let every tongue confess with one accord,
in heaven and earth, that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia!**

The Commandments (*All Sit or Kneel*) *Bridget Chapman*

**'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one;
you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'**

**Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment.
And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'**

A Hymn of Christ

Bridget Chapman

**Christ, though he existed in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be grasped,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
assuming human likeness.**

**And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God exalted him even more highly
and gave him the name that is above every other name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father. *Phil 2:6-11***

Collect of the Day

Bridget Chapman

Father of all,
who gave your only-begotten Son
to take upon himself the form of a servant
and to be obedient even to death on a cross:
give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus,
that, sharing in his humility,
we may come to be with him in his glory;
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Isaiah 57:15-19

Bei-En Zou

For thus says the high and lofty one

who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy:

I dwell in the high and holy place

and also with those who are contrite and humble in spirit,
to revive the spirit of the humble
and to revive the heart of the contrite.

¹⁶ For I will not continually accuse,

nor will I always be angry,

for then the spirits would grow faint before me,
even the souls that I have made.

¹⁷ Because of their wicked covetousness I was angry;

I struck them; I hid and was angry,

but they kept turning back to their own ways.

¹⁸ I have seen their ways, but I will heal them;

I will lead them and repay them with comfort,

¹⁹ creating for their mourners the fruit of the lips.

Peace, peace, to the far and the near, says the Lord,
and I will heal them.

Hear the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 131

Bridget Chapman

O Lord, my heart is not proud:

nor are my eyes haughty.

I do not busy myself in great matters:

or in things too wonderful for me.

But I have calmed and quieted my soul
like a weaned child upon its mother's breast:

like a child on its mother's breast in my soul within me.

O Israel, trust in the Lord:

from this time forward and for ever.

Epistle: Philippians 2:1-18

Jamie Keck

2 If, then, there is any comfort in Christ,
any consolation from love,
any partnership in the Spirit,
any tender affection and sympathy,

2 make my joy complete:
be of the same mind,
having the same love,
being in full accord and of one mind.

3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit,
but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.

4 Let each of you look not to your own interests
but to the interests of others.

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,

⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly
and gave him the name
that is above every other name,

¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me,
not only in my presence but much more now in my absence,
work on your own salvation with fear and trembling,

¹³ for it is God who is at work in you,
enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

¹⁴ Do all things without murmuring and arguing,
¹⁵ so that you may be blameless and innocent,
children of God without blemish
in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation,
in which you shine like stars in the world,
¹⁶ holding forth the word of life
so that I can boast on the day of Christ
that I did not run in vain or labour in vain.

¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out as a libation
over the sacrifice and the service of your faith,
I rejoice, and I rejoice together with all of you;
¹⁸ in the same way also you should rejoice
and rejoice together with me.

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

Hymn 170ii v1,2,4,5 (Camberwell) *C. M. Noel (1817-77)*

**At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
King of Glory now:
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word.**

**Humbled for a season
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it,
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious
when from death he passed.**

**In your hearts enthrone him,
there let him subdue
all that is not holy,
all that is not true;
crown him as your Captain
in temptation's hour,
let his will enfold you
in its light and power.**

**Brothers, this Lord Jesus
shall return again
with his Father's glory,
with his angel train:
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of Glory now.**

Gospel Reading: John 13:1-17

Bridget Chapman

The Gospel is written in the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel according to John, beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now before the festival of the Passover,

Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father.

Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him.

And during supper ³Jesus,

knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God,

⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself.

⁵Then he poured water into a basin

and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him.

⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him,

'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?'

⁷Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.'

⁸Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.'

Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.'

⁹Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!'

¹⁰Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean.

And you are clean, though not all of you.'

¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.'

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table,

he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you?

¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am.

¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.

¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them.

¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

For the gospel of the Lord: **praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Rev. Mike Raiter

Anthem

The Old Cathedral Voices

I beseech you, therefore, brethren

A. Anderson (b. 1971)

Premiered by the Old Cathedral Voices 17th August 2025.

Andrew Anderson is our composer-in-residence.

*I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God,
that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice,
holy, acceptable unto God,
which is your reasonable service.*

And be not conformed to this world:

*but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind,
that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable,*

and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:1-2 (KJV)

Let us together affirm the faith of the church:

**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,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with 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,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions (*All Sit or Kneel*)

Jeanette Lawrence

Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice!

Do not be anxious about anything,

but in everything by prayer and supplication

let your requests be made known to God. *Phil 4:4,6*

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who taught us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be 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.

Preparation

Bridget Chapman

Let us pray.

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord,

trusting in our own righteousness,

but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy

so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord,

whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,

and to drink his blood,

that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Confession

Bridget Chapman

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge,

we confess that we have not lived our lives

in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Phil 1:27

We have set our minds too much on earthly things.

Phil 3:18

We have acted from selfish ambition and vain conceit.

We have not regarded others as better than ourselves.

Phil 2:3

We repent of our sins and turn away from them.

Help us press on to lay hold of that

for which Christ has laid hold of us,

Phil 3:12

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

Rev. Mike Raiter

Almighty God, who began a good work in you

Phil 1:6

and will bring it to completion in the day of Jesus Christ,

forgive you all your sins,

confirm you in his righteousness based on faith

Phil 3:9

and make you to know his resurrection power;

Phil 3:10

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

Bridget Chapman

If there is any comfort in Christ,

any consolation from love,

any partnership in the Spirit,

let us make our joy complete:

being in full accord and of one mind.

Phil 2:1-2

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We greet one another with the words: "Peace be with you."

The Children's Chapel rejoin us as this hymn is sung.

Hymn 537 (St Leonard's)

K. B. Wilkinson (1859-1928)

**May the mind of Christ my Saviour
live in me from day to day,
by his love and power controlling
all I do and say.**

**May the word of God dwell richly
in my heart from hour to hour
so that all may see I triumph
only through his power.**

**May the peace of God my Father
rule my life in everything,
that I may be calm to comfort
sick and sorrowing.**

**May the love of Jesus fill me
as the waters fill the sea;
him exalting, self abasing,
this is victory.**

**May I run the race before me
strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus
as I onward go.**

Thanksgiving & Holy Communion

Rev. Mike Raiter

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.

To you, our God and Father,

be glory for ever and ever.

Phil 4:20

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who did not regard equality with God

as something to be grasped,

but humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death,

even death on a cross.

Phil 2:6,8

You have highly exalted him

and given him the name that is above every other name,

so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

Phil 2:9-10

He will transform the body of our humiliation

so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory,

by the power that also enables him

to make all things subject to himself.

Phil 3:21

And so with every tongue that confesses Jesus Christ as Lord,

with apostles, bishops,

Phil 2:11

servants and saints of every age,

Phil 1:1

we rejoice and praise you, saying:

Phil 3:1

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

And now we thank you
for these gifts of bread and wine;
may we who receive them,
as Jesus said,
share his body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread
and gave you thanks.
He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said,
'Take and eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup
and gave you thanks.
He shared the cup with them and said,
'This is my blood poured out
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

You have gathered us together
to feed on Christ
and to remember all he has done for us:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Make us partners in your Spirit:

sharing the comfort found in Christ,
the consolation of his love,
his tender affection and sympathy,
in full accord and one mind.

Phil 2:1-2

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

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

Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*All baptised believers in the Lord Jesus Christ,
including baptised children at their parents' discretion,
are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table.*

*If you are not baptised, you may still come forward
and receive a blessing from the priest.*

Please place your hands across your chest to indicate this preference.

If you need gluten-free bread, advise the priest at the rail.

*If you prefer an individual cup of grape juice,
simply decline the common cup of wine when it is offered to you.*

During Communion

The Old Cathedral Voices

I give you a new commandment

P. Aston (1938-2013)

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.

If there is this love among you

then all will know that you are my disciples.

John 13:34-35

After Communion

Rev. Mike Raiter

God our Father, in this holy meal you strengthen us
both to will and to work for your good pleasure. *Phil 2:13*

May the power of your love,
which we have known in word and sacrament,
help us press on toward the prize
of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. *Phil 3:14*

Father, **we offer ourselves to you**
as a pleasing and acceptable sacrifice *Phil 4:18*
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Send us out to shine like stars in the world,
holding forth the word of life. *Phil 2:15-16*

Notices

Rev. Mike Raiter

Hymn 480 (Song 34)

C. Wesley (1707-88)

**Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labour to pursue;
thee, only thee, resolved to know,
in all I think, or speak, or do.**

**The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
in all my works thy presence find,
and prove thy good and perfect will.**

**Thee may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes my inmost substance see,
and labour on at thy command,
and offer all my works to thee.**

**Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
and every moment watch and pray,
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to thy glorious day;**

**For thee delightfully employ
whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
and run my course with even joy,
and closely walk with thee to heaven.**

Blessing & Dismissal

Rev. Mike Raiter

The peace of God which passes all understanding

guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, *Phil 4:7*

and the blessing of God Almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional

David Brown (Organ)

**PLEASE STAY FOR MORNING TEA
IN THE CONFERENCE CENTRE NEXT DOOR
AFTER THE SERVICE**

*We rejoice in your partnership in the gospel
from the first day until now!*

Phil 1:5

*All gifts are "a fragrant offering,
a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God."*

Phil 4:18

*We encourage members to set up a regular electronic transfer to
support the ministry of the parish and assist confident budgeting.*

St James' Old Cathedral

BSB: 013 377

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*Tax deductible giving to support our music program is also possible
through the St James' Gift Fund:*

Melbourne West ITF Gift Fund

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A long serving member of The Old Cathedral Voices, baritone **Alex Owens**, is moving to Switzerland for further vocal study. Their farewell concert is on 17th July at 7pm in Abbotsford. Book here: <https://events.humanitix.com/thankyouforalex>

St James' Old Cathedral

Commitment to Child Safety

Jesus said:

*"Anyone who welcomes a little child in my name welcomes me.
But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to stumble –
it would be better for him if a heavy millstone were hung around his neck
and he were drowned in the depths of the sea."*

Matthew 18:5-6

As we meet together to worship God,
we seek to honour him by the diligent protection of children.

We are committed to creating a culture of safety for all,
and undergoing regular training to do so.

We seek to normalise routine submission
to Police Checks and Working With Children Checks
for all members of the community.

If anyone sees any behaviour
related to child safety that strikes them as odd,
they should not investigate the matter themselves,
but call the independent Professional Standards Hotline
(Kooyoora Ltd) for expert guidance:

1800 135 246

or our local police (313 Spencer Street, Docklands):

03 8690 4444

National Trust Appeal: Roof Replacement

In 2010 a Heritage Review identified the replacement of our slate roof as an urgent work for the next two years.

We have not been able to fund this, and have continued to tolerate regular leaks in the rain, which are damaging other parts of the church in turn.

Parish Council and the National Trust have authorised an appeal. **We are seeking to raise \$500,000** for the full replacement of the slate roof and the restoration of other things which are urgent or best done at the same time. We have engaged Extent Heritage to guide this process and optimise outcomes.

Just before Tony died, Tony and Wendy Greenwood donated the first \$200,000 to this appeal. They hoped to inspire others. The appeal is now up to \$262,000.

Donations through the National Trust are Tax Deductible. The National Trust take an 8% administration fee.

Please direct Tax Deductible Donations to:

National Trust of Australia (Victoria)

BSB: 033000

Account number: 937419

Description: St James Old Cathedral

Please follow up any donations with an email

to both accounts@nattrust.com.au and office@sjoc.org.au

so that we can track donations.

Should we raise more than is needed for urgent works, we are approved to use donations to repay the outstanding loan for the 2011 Tower Restoration.

Intercessions

We pray for: Our West Melbourne Community; Haileybury College; Mike Raiter and The Centre for Biblical Preaching; Emma Payne (CMS); Chris & Sarah Griffioen and family (OM); Australian Indigenous Churches; Ridley College; Trinity College; the Overseas Chinese Christian Church; Lorraine Hedley; Diane and Roger Smith and family; Beverly Stephenson; The Hamilton Family; Jean Ely; Neil Hawthorn; Jenny Swain; Kim Boulton; Tony Billington; Jamie Chisholm; Anne Ellison; Gillian Williams; Yen-Ling Chiu; Warren Mills; Chris & Roselee Jones.

Notices

- Canon Matt is on annual leave, returning Thursday 25th June.
- We are in a seven-week series on Paul's Letter to the Philippians. Our service is partly rewritten to pray in the language of this letter.
- Our Synod reps will be finalised July 5th. Contact Matt if interested.
- Youth Group continues until 26th June then breaks for the holidays.
- Friday 24th July will be a special combined Youth Night with Archbishop Ric Thorpe, meeting at St Jude's Carlton. All ages 12-18 are welcome.

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