

St James' Old Cathedral

15th May 2022 at 10:00am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Understanding the Scriptures: Luke 24:44-49

*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 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 Jenny George.

Today's singers are:

Eliza Bennetts O'Connor

Jenny George

Jack Jordan

Nick Christie

Joshua Vass

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. 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. He also serves as College 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, make me to know thy ways

W. Byrd (1540-1623)

Lord, make me to know thy ways, O Lord.

O Lord, teach me thy paths, O Lord.

*O lead me in thy truth, and teach me,
for thou art the God of my salvation.*

Greeting and Prayer

Joel Gillie

Jesus opened their minds to understand the scriptures,
and he said to them,

‘Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer
and to rise from the dead on the third day,

and that repentance and forgiveness of sins

is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations,
beginning from Jerusalem. *Luke 24:45-47*

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.

Hymn 339 v1,2,3,5 (Regent Square) *R. T. Brooks (1918-85)*

**Thanks to God whose Word was spoken
in the deed that made the earth.**

**His the voice that called a nation;
his the fires that tried her worth.
God has spoken, God has spoken:
praise him for his open Word.**

**Thanks to God whose Word incarnate
glorified the flesh of man.**

**Deeds and words and death and rising,
tell the grace in heaven's plan.
God has spoken, God has spoken:
praise him for his open Word.**

**Thanks to God whose word was written
in the Bible's sacred page,
record of the revelation
showing God to every age.
God has spoken, God has spoken:
praise him for his open Word.**

**Thanks to God whose Word is answered
by the Spirit's voice within.
Here we drink of joy unmeasured,
life redeemed from death and sin.
God is speaking, God is speaking:
praise him for his open Word.**

Commandments

Joel Gillie

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

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.

This is the great 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Joel Gillie

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

**Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:**

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One;

you alone are the Lord;

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect***Joel Gillie***

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ
opened the minds of his disciples to understand the scripture,
clothe us with the power promised from on high,
and send us forth to the ends of the earth
as heralds of repentance and witnesses of Jesus Christ,
the firstborn from the dead,
who lives with you now and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayer for The Ministry of the Word ***Joel Gillie***

Heavenly Father, give us wisdom and understanding.
As we listen to your Word,
may we know you better, love you more,
and learn to please you in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering for Children's Chapel

Dr Matthew Champion

We offer an age-appropriate experience of the Ministry of the Word for children, led today by Dr Matthew Champion. They are invited to process out to the conference centre, as the choir sings. They will return for Holy Communion.

Childsafe Policy: Children's Chapel is supervised at all times by at least two unrelated adults with current Working with Children Check approvals.

Meditation

Jack Jordan (Tenor)

But Thou didst not leave ("Messiah") *G. F. Handel (1685-1759)*

But thou didst not leave his soul in hell:

nor didst thou suffer thy holy one to see corruption.

Psalm 16:10

OT Lesson: Jeremiah 30:4-9

Andrew Altin

These are the words that the Lord spoke concerning Israel and Judah:

Thus says the Lord:

We have heard a cry of panic,
of terror, and no peace.

Ask now, and see, can a man bear a child?

Why then do I see every man

with his hands on his loins like a woman in labour?

Why has every face turned pale?

Alas! that day is so great there is none like it;

it is a time of distress for Jacob;
yet he shall be rescued from it.

On that day, says the Lord of hosts,

I will break the yoke from off his neck, and I will burst his bonds,
and strangers shall no more make a servant of him.

But they shall serve the Lord their God and David their king,
whom I will raise up for them.

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

Psalm 16:1-11

Joel Gillie

A miktam of David.

Preserve me, O God:

for in you I have taken refuge.

I have said to the Lord, You are my lord:

and all my good depends upon you.

As for those who are held holy on the earth:

the other gods in whom people delight,

Though the idols are many that they run after:

**their offerings of blood I will not offer,
nor take their name upon my lips.**

The Lord is my appointed portion and my cup:

you hold my lot in your hands.

The share that has fallen to me is in pleasant places:

and a fair land is my possession.

I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel:

at night also he has instructed my heart.

I have set the Lord always before me:

he is at my right hand, and I shall not fall.

Therefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices:

my flesh also shall rest secure.

For you will not give me over to the power of death:

nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.

You will show me the path of life:

**in your presence is the fullness of joy,
and from your right hand flow delights for evermore.**

- ²⁶My brothers, you descendants of Abraham's family,
and others who fear God,
to us the message of this salvation has been sent.
- ²⁷Because the residents of Jerusalem and their leaders
did not recognize him or understand the words of the prophets
that are read every sabbath,
they fulfilled those words by condemning him.
- ²⁸Even though they found no cause for a sentence of death,
they asked Pilate to have him killed.
- ²⁹When they had carried out everything that was written about him,
they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb.
- ³⁰But God raised him from the dead;
³¹and for many days he appeared to those
who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem,
and they are now his witnesses to the people.
- ³²And we bring you the good news
that what God promised to our ancestors
³³he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising Jesus;
as also it is written in the second psalm,
"You are my Son;
today I have begotten you."
- ³⁴As to his raising him from the dead,
no more to return to corruption, he has spoken in this way,
"I will give you the holy promises made to David."
- ³⁵Therefore he has also said in another psalm,
"You will not let your Holy One experience corruption."

³⁶For David, after he had served the purpose of God
in his own generation, died, was laid beside his ancestors,
and experienced corruption;
³⁷but he whom God raised up experienced no corruption.
³⁸Let it be known to you therefore, my brothers,
that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you;
³⁹by this Jesus everyone who believes
is set free from all those sins
from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

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

Hymn 336 (Kingsfold 500)

G. W. Briggs (1875-1959)

**The Spirit of the Lord revealed
his will to saints of old;
their heart and mind and lips unsealed,
his glory to unfold.**

**Amid the gloom of ancient night
they hailed the dawning Word,
and in the coming of the light
proclaimed the coming Lord.**

**The prophets passed; at length there came,
to sojourn and abide,
the Word incarnate, to whose name
the prophets testified;
and he, the twilight overpast,
himself the Light of light,
as man with man, revealed at last
the Father to our sight.**

**Eternal Spirit, who dost speak
to mind and conscience still,
that we, in this our day, may seek
to do our Father's will,
to us the word of life impart,
of Christ, the living way;
give us the quiet humble heart
to hear and to obey.**

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:44-49 *Joel Gillie*

The Gospel is written in the twenty-fourth chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the forty-fourth verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴⁴Then Jesus said to the disciples,
'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—
that everything written about me in the law of Moses,
the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.'

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,
⁴⁶and he said to them,

'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer
and to rise from the dead on the third day,

⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins
is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations,
beginning from Jerusalem.

⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised;
so stay here in the city
until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

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

Sermon

Canon Matt Williams

Anthem

The Old Cathedral Voices

Teach me, O Lord

P. Stopford (b. 1977)

*Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes;
and I shall keep it unto the end.*

*Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law;
yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.*

*Make me to go in the path of thy commandments;
for therein is my desire.*

*Incline my heart unto thy testimonies,
and not to covetousness.*

*O turn away mine eyes lest they behold vanity;
and quicken me in thy way.*

*O stablish thy word, thy word in thy servant,
that I may fear thee. Amen. Psalm 119:33-39a*

The Apostle's Creed (*All Stand*) ***Joel Gillie***

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Intercessory Prayers

Heather Reid

Response:

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

Let us join together in the prayer which Jesus taught us.

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 for the Lord's Supper *Joel Gillie*

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

Joel Gillie

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
with a sincere and true heart.

**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.**

Absolution

Canon Matt Williams

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all 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.**

Greeting of Peace (All Stand.)

Joel Gillie

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

Hymn 331 (Richmond)

C. Wesley (1707-88)

**Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire,
let us thine influence prove,
source of the old prophetic fire,
fountain of light and love.**

**Come, Holy Ghost, for moved by thee
the prophets wrote and spoke;
unlock the truth, thyself the key,
unseal the sacred book.**

**Expand thy wings, celestial dove,
brood o'er our nature's night;
on our disordered spirits move,
and let there now be light.**

**God, through himself, we then shall know,
if thou within us shine,
and sound, with all thy saints below,
the depths of love divine.**

Thanksgiving & Holy Communion *Canon Matt Williams*

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks
that you raised him to life triumphant,
and exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death,
the reign of sin is ended,
a new day has dawned,
a broken world is restored
and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**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.'

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory.

Fill us with your Spirit

that we may follow Jesus in all we do and say,
working for justice and bringing your peace
to this world that you have made.

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 eat and drink from the Lord's Table.*

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

Special Note about the Common Cup

We have recently reintroduced the offer of the common cup.

*Please note that the health advice has not changed,
but formal restrictions have been lifted.*

*All are welcome to make their own decisions about risk,
discerning from wisdom and love.*

To avoid discomfort, we will offer the individual cups of grape juice first.

*If you do prefer to receive the common cup of wine,
simply decline the individual cups when offered.*

During Communion
On the Road

The Old Cathedral Voices
A. Anderson (b. 1971)

Commissioned for The Old Cathedral Voices 2014.
Premiered 2nd February 2014.

*When Jesus was at the table with them,
he took bread, blessed and broke it,
and he gave it to them.*

*Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him;
and he vanished from their sight.*

*They said to each other,
'Were not our hearts burning within us
while he was talking to us on the road,
while he was opening the scriptures to us?'*

Luke 24:30-32

After Communion

Canon Matt Williams

Eternal God, giver of life,
in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord.
May we who celebrate this holy feast
walk in his risen light
and bring new life to all creation.

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.

Hymn 92 (Hymn to Joy)

G. W. Briggs (1875-1959)

**God has spoken by his prophets,
spoken his unchanging word,
each, from age to age proclaiming
God, the one, the righteous Lord.**

**'Mid the world's despair and turmoil
one firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, his throne eternal,
God the first, and God the last.**

**God has spoken by Christ Jesus,
Christ, the everlasting Son,
brightness of the Father's glory,
with the Father ever one;
spoken by the Word incarnate,
God from God, ere time began,
Light from Light, to earth descending,
Man, revealing God to man.**

**God is speaking by his Spirit,
speaking to the hearts of men,
in the age-long word expounding
God's own message, now as then,
through the rise and fall of nations
one sure faith yet standing fast;
God still speaks, his word unchanging,
God the first, and God the last.**

Blessing & Dismissal**Canon Matt Williams**

May the God of peace,
 who raised from the dead our Lord Jesus,
 the first and the last and the living one,
draw you up to live forever through him,
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 join us for morning tea in the conference centre.

Instead of collecting offertories during the service, we gratefully receive free offerings made at the exit, or by electronic transfers to:

St James' Old Cathedral**BSB: 013 377****Acc. No.: 008 684 064**

Child Safe Culture Principle of the Week

2. Kooyoora is your friend

If you become aware of current child abuse, please call the police.

Our local police are on 03 8690 4444.

But lots of other situations are more grey areas. You might be unsure whether escalation is warranted, or feel out of your depth reading a situation, and you know you shouldn't investigate (principle 3). You may observe behaviour in church workers or volunteers which is not illegal but sits outside of our code of conduct, Faithfulness in Service. You may want to make the church aware of something without making a statement to the police. Or you may want professional support to make a police report.

For all these times, Kooyoora Ltd is your friend.

Kooyoora is an independent standards body for the Anglican church. It is staffed by professionals able to record your concerns and collate them with any other reports they may have. They can undertake investigations and liaise carefully with police to ensure they do not compromise any police investigations.

It is never the wrong thing to call Kooyoora and relate a concern.

You can call Kooyoora on 1800 135 246.

Other principles:

- 1. Insist on two unrelated adults**
- 3. Don't look into it**
- 4. Make grooming look odd**
- 5. Make allies not accusations**
- 6. Do paperwork with thanksgiving!**

Kooyoora is on 1800 135 246. Our local police are on 03 8690 4444.

Intercessions

We pray for: Our West Melbourne Community; Haileybury College; Mike Raiter, Andrew & Heather Reid and The Centre for Biblical Preaching; Zoe Creelman (CMS); Chris & Sarah Griffioen and family (OM); Australian Indigenous Churches; Ridley College; Trinity College; the Overseas Chinese Christian Church; Edith Weaver; Joan Heard; Isabel Dale; Lola Russell-Dixon; Joy Palmby; Andrew; Greg Goldby; Ron & Janette Wells; Rod Robertson; Richard & Jean Ely; Beverly Stephenson; Jill Sculley; Sergio Altin, Hugo Ellis.

Notices

- The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia met this past week, with Jenny George as one of the Melbourne delegates. We pray for the ongoing unity of the church as the decisions made are digested.
- Mike Raiter is now on long service leave, returning mid-June.
- The latest TMA is available on the rear table. Please take one. The parish buys this newspaper to help you keep abreast of the wider diocese.
- Parish Council meets today at 12:30pm.

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