



The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

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Weekly News and Pew Sheet

THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

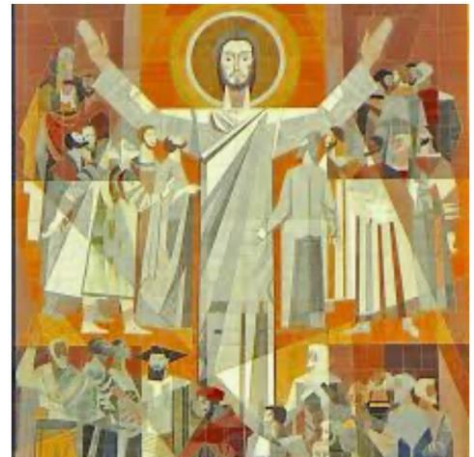
SUNDAY 24TH MAY 2020

WORSHIP THEME: MAY WE BE ONE

Parish Priest's Message

Dear Friends,

Thursday was the feast day of Ascension – a theme that is captured in our reading from Acts today. The word ascension can have a couple meanings. One, of course, is to literally go up, as in 'ascending a staircase'. For many previous generations of Christians this was their understanding of Ascension - that Jesus went 'up' to heaven above the clouds. However another meaning of the word Ascension describes a promotion, like 'ascending the throne' or it can also mean moving to a 'higher' plane of existence, a promotion in Spirit. Perhaps the second of these understandings is more meaningful to 21st Century Christians.



In this short season of Ascensiontide, I think we can learn from two important points. Firstly, the resurrection appearances of Jesus, of which there were many (cf 1 Corinthians 15:3-8), stopped at some point, and the experience and empowerment of the Holy Spirit took over as the main source of inspiration and encouragement for the disciples. Secondly, the Ascension proclaims that Jesus is 'in' heaven, essentially at one with God and with us always as part of our experience of God the Trinity. In liturgical terms Ascensiontide bridges the Easter season and the Pentecost season. The season of Pentecost continues throughout the remainder of the year as we are a Pentecost people – the church is the body of Christ, the followers of Jesus, living in the power of the Spirit.

Today we give thanks that because of the Ascension of Christ, the Spirit empowered and united the followers of Jesus to be one body in Christ. Thus fulfilling the heartfelt prayer of Jesus (cf John 17), that we may all be one, as Jesus and God are one.

Peace be with you all, Andrew.

WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

Sentence

This is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

John 17.3

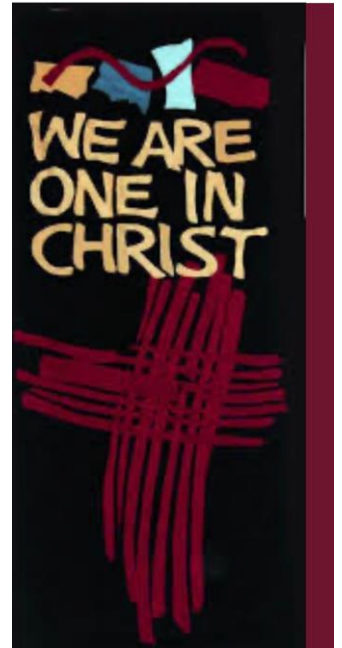
Prayer of the day

O God, whose Son Jesus, prayed for his disciples, and sent them into the world to proclaim the coming of your kingdom: by your Holy Spirit, hold the Church in unity, and keep it faithful to your word, so that, breaking bread together, we may be one with Christ in faith and love and service, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 1.6-14

A reading from the book of Acts



When the apostles had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

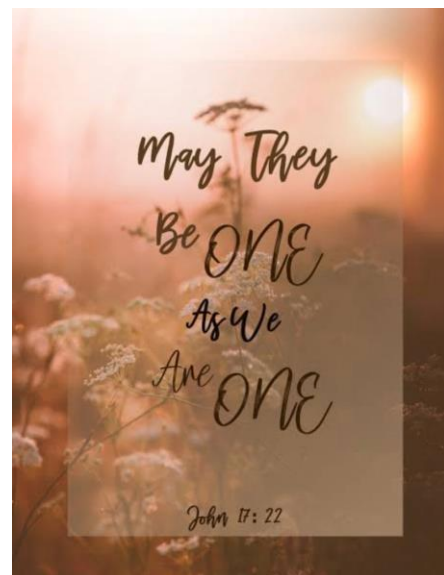
Psalm 68.4-10,32-35

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- 4 O sing to God, sing praises to his name:
glorify him that rode through the deserts,
him whose name is the Lord, and exult before him.
- 5 He is the father of the fatherless,
he upholds the cause of the widow:
God in his holy dwelling place.

- 6 He gives the desolate a home to dwell in,
and brings the prisoners out into prosperity:
but rebels must dwell in a barren land.
- 7 O God, when you went out before your people:
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, the heavens poured down water:
before the God of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You showered down a generous rain, O God:
you prepared the land of your possession when it was weary.
- 10 And there your people settled:
in the place that your goodness,
O God, had made ready for the poor.
- 32 Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth:
O sing praises to the Lord,
- 33 To him that rides upon the highest heavens,
that were from the beginning:
who utters his voice, which is a mighty voice.
- 34 Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel:
and his might is in the clouds.
- 35 Terrible is God who comes from his holy place:
the God of Israel who gives power and strength
to his people. Blessed be God.



Second Reading

1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

A reading from the first book of Peter

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice in so far as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Lord said:

I will not leave you orphans.

O will come back to you,
and your hearts will rejoice.

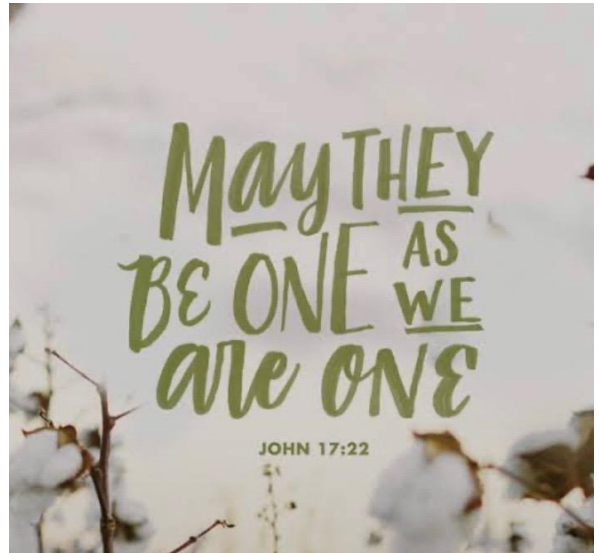
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 17:1-11

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ



Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Next Week: 31st MAY 2020 – DAY of PENTECOST

Theme: Come Holy Spirit

Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:25-35,37 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

Diary Dates

This week on Facebook: Services from 8am

24th May Sunday After Ascension (Service and Kid's talk)

31st May Day of Pentecost (Service and Kid's talk)



PARISH NOTICES

SUNDAY MORNING TEA ON ZOOM

We apologise for the little hiccup last Sunday with our ZOOM morning tea and we try again this Sunday from 10:30am. Just organise your own cuppa and biscuit and then click the link below to join in for a community catch-up.

Topic: St Peter's Morning Tea via Zoom

Time: May 24, 2020 10:30 AM Adelaide

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86811337004?pwd=aGE2d2RCd3V0Z0daeGgxVFJ4WVdZUT09>

Meeting ID: 868 1133 7004

Password: 134363

Virtual Morning Tea
on Zoom
Sunday 10.30am



OTHER WAYS TO CATCH UP

If you used to sit in the same place in church each week. You probably got to know the people who sit immediately around you. You haven't been able to share the peace for a while, but why not pick up the phone and give them a ring to see how they are going. That could be a small action of connection to help us, as Jesus prayed, to all be one.

SUNDAY KIDS@HOME

This Sunday based on John 17:1-11

Hi Parents and Kids.

This Sunday's SUNDAYKIDS@HOME activity is on the website and based on today's reading from **John 17:1-11**.

You can find the activity at the following link

<http://www.glenelganglican.org.au/?p=1383>

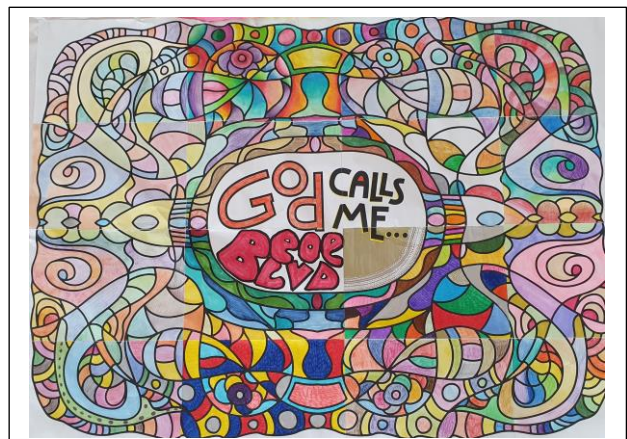
or simply go to [glenelganglican.org.au](http://www.glenelganglican.org.au) and find the Sunday kids@home page under 'our community'.



COMMUNITY MURAL PROJECT

Drive past the community centre windows and see our completed Colouring-in mural. Thank you to everyone who joined in the colouring fun! Pieces for the next mural with the image of Pentecost will be available Wednesday afternoon from the parish office. If you'd like to give it a try, come and look at the new mural before you decide.

from Michele



*** COVID 19 UPDATE FOR OUR PARISH ***

Many people are anxiously awaiting news of when our worship services will recommence. Parish Council has had discussions about this during the week and also the Diocese is awaiting advice from the SA Health Department about restrictions regarding communion.

At present our thoughts are that it is not worth restarting for ten people but that a couple small services might re-start in June (when the limit increases to 20 with social distancing) but we will have to await further advice about whether that can include communion.

We will continue to film and post to Facebook a Sunday service from St Peter's for broader use on Sunday mornings. We will look at using the increased numbers able to attend to get more people involved in the production of these services (readers, musicians etc..)

There should be more information available by next Sunday about what timeframe to expect. Once we have a definite plan in place we'll confirm it in a newsletter to the whole parish.

ST PETER'S YOUTH GROUP

Meets tonight (Friday) via ZOOM and again via ZOOM for a quiz night Friday 19th June. We may gather in person for our July get-together but it depends on updated restrictions at that stage. If you are a Youth in Year 5-10 at school and you're not on the contact list speak to Rev. Michele for more details.

PRAYERS FOR ROBIN W

Robin is now out of RAH and undergoing rehabilitation at Flinders hospital. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to make encouraging progress.

FURTHER CVS AND AGED CARE FACILITY UPDATE


Do you visit aged care facilities? – From May 1st you will need to have proof of a current flu vaccination. If you are getting a flu shot make sure you get a printed record of this. If you are a CVS Volunteer you may be able to get reimbursement for the cost of the Flu shot (that is the prescription cost not the cost of the visit to a GP) - contact Hewina for reimbursement.

For CVS visitors, thank you for all you are doing to keep in touch with your residents. Some aged care facilities may start to re-open soon for visitors. Hours may be limited and visits may have to be booked. This could vary from facility to facility. In the meantime continuing contact via phone, letter or electronic means is wonderful.

Hewina would love to hear from other parishioners prepared to be in phone contact with either Aged Care residents OR individuals in private homes who receive care packages. We are awaiting confirmation that private residents on care packages can now be included in our CVS scheme and this might be a way to grow our CVS ministry during this time. Speak to Hewina in the office to discuss this further.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests can still be rung through to the parish office or emailed and we can add the person to the prayer list in the pew sheet. Private prayers can also be offered through contacting the Parish Prayer People. If there is anyone on our prayer list who can come off it for the time being, please let us know.

	Can we help? Contact Prayer People through:
	Vi: 8295 5726 / vekeam@bigpond.com
	Ros: 8298 5308 / neville.cordes@bigpond.com
	Sandy: 8298 5175 / sandyandy@esc.net.au



Kingsley Oakley, Kel Pittman, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Tim Went, Nicole Cain, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Daniel Roach, Jeremy Johnson, Nicky Heal, Dawn, Sheryl Anne Cox, Tony Tamblyn, Helen Williams, Kent Andrew, Robin Wilson, Ruth Allen **For the Faithful Departed:** Bob Ingram, Verna Evans

CALL TO PRAYER

Diocesan prayer time

8am every Friday from now until Pentecost.

Together we join in prayer for

- an end to the pandemic
- healing for people suffering from the illness
- those researching a vaccine
- our political and community leaders
- wise leadership
- all health workers



A suitable prayer could be...

Almighty and All-loving God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

We pray to you through Christ the Healer

for those who suffer from the Coronavirus COVID-19

in Australia and across the world.

*We pray too for all who reach out to those who mourn the loss
of each and every person who has died as a result of contracting the disease.*

Give wisdom to policymakers,

skill to healthcare professionals and researchers,

comfort to everyone in distress

and a sense of calm to us all in these days of uncertainty and distress.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord

who showed compassion to the outcast, acceptance to the rejected

and love to those to whom no love was shown. Amen.

by Archbishop Michael Jackson, Dublin & Glendalough

PLANNED GIVING AND PARISH FINANCES

Thank you to all those parishioners are keeping up with planned giving. Your support for our parish community is inspiring. Please know too that if you are experiencing extreme hardship it is understood that you may not be able to maintain your current level of giving. Please keep in touch, and **remember that the parish emergency food ministry is also available for parishioners in times of need.**

Regular planned giving can be directed to

Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-777 Account Number 00041211

(please use your surname and initial SMITHJ PGP).

One off/occasional donations that are not part of regular PGP can be made to

Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033

ANGLICAN PARISH OF GLENELG – HERITAGE CONSERVATION FUND

For many parishioners and people in our community these are hard economic times and that is certainly acknowledged. However, if you are in the fortunate position of wanting to make some tax-deductible donations before the end of the financial year then please remember our Parish Heritage Conservation Fund with the National Trust. Donation forms are available at the parish office.

Online donations can be made at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa> and please make sure you select "St Peters Anglican Church Glenelg Appeal" in the field that asks where you would like the donation to go to.

Alternatively cheques can be posted directly to

National Trust Anglican Parish of Glenelg Heritage Conservation Fund Appeal,

The National Trust of South Australia, Beaumont House,

631 Glynburn Road, Beaumont, SA 5066

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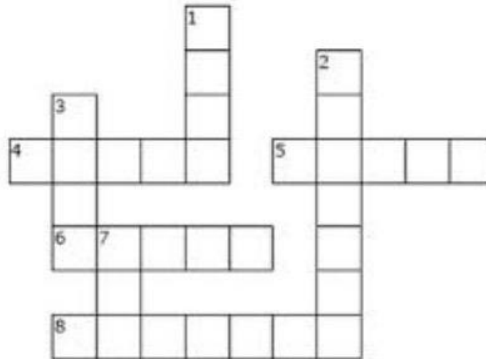
SPW - St Peter's Woodlands Grammar School

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Jesus Prays for All Believers

"May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." John 17:23 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on John 17:20-23 (NIV)



ACROSS

4. Joined together as a group; the state of being in agreement
5. Great admiration, honor and praise
6. The earth and its inhabitants
8. A written or spoken statement

DOWN

1. To speak to God
2. To think that something is true or correct
3. To be acquainted with someone or something
7. A single thing; to be undivided

pray
believe

message
world

glory
unity

know
one