



# The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

*A vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community  
growing in faith and love*

## Weekly News & Pew Sheet



### FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021

### WORSHIP THEME: NAMING OF JESUS

*Welcome to worship today! If you are visiting or new to our church  
please see the welcome section on the back of this news sheet*

### Today's Worship Resources

#### Sentence

God spoke of old by the prophets;  
but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son.      **Hebrews 1:1-2**

#### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God,  
Who wonderfully created us  
in your own image  
And yet more wonderfully restored us  
Through your Son Jesus Christ:  
Grant that, as he came to share  
in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity;  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.



#### First Reading

**Numbers 6:22-27**

#### A Reading from the book of Numbers

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying,  
Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,  
The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.  
So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

O Lord our Governor :

**how glorious is your name in all the earth!**

Your majesty above the heavens is yet recounted :

**by the mouths of babes and sucklings.**

You have founded a strong defence against your adversaries :

**to quell the enemy and the avenger.**

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers :

**the moon and the stars which you have set in order,**

What are we, that you should be mindful of us :

**what are we, that you should care for us?**

Yet you have made him little less than a god :

**and have crowned him with glory and honour.**

You have given us dominion over your handiwork :

**and have put all things in subjection beneath our feet,**

All sheep and oxen :

**and all the creatures of the field,**

The birds of the air and the fish of the sea :

**and everything that moves in the pathways of the great waters.**

O Lord our Governor :

**how glorious is your name in all the earth!**



## Second Reading

Galatians 4:4-7

### A reading from the Letter to the Galatians

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,  
so that we might receive adoption as children.

**Alleluia!**

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Glory to you Jesus Christ**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,  
according to your word;  
for my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,  
a light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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## Next Week's Readings - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January – Epiphany

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-7,10-14 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12

### PRAYER REQUESTS – PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the clergy or parish office. Confidential prayers can also be offered by the clergy and a small prayer group.



Kingsley Oakley, Kel Pittman, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Yvonne Thomas, Samuel, Jean, Peta, James, Dawn, Pat Carter, Di Besson, Paris D'Souza, Amelia Stevens, Joanna Muspratt, Jennifer Elbe, Brian Johnson

## PARISH NOTICES

### PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE AND CLERGY AVAILABILITY

Please note the parish office will be closed from 25th December and will re-open to the public on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Rev Andrew will be available through to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January and then will be on a fortnight's leave. Rev Michele will be available from 3<sup>rd</sup> January onwards. Rev Margaret is available throughout. Please also note that there will be no Thursday services on 30<sup>th</sup> December and 6<sup>th</sup> January.

### WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

If you are visiting our church this Christmas season, we pray you find inspiration and encouragement in the worship and a warm welcome. If you are looking for a church community to belong to we have worship every Sunday (7:45am and 10am at St Peter's and 8:45am at St Martin's) and Thursday (10am at St Peter's). We also have a number of ministries such as Mother's Union, GAL's (Glenelg Anglican Ladies), OASIS group for younger women, and Parish Men's group, as well as bible studies and an emergency assistance ministry. During school term times we have a playgroup (Wednesdays 10-11:30am), A Sunday school (10am Sundays) and a Friday night Youth Group which meets twice a school term. Feel free to speak to the Clergy or welcomer for more information.

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