



The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

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

Weekly News and Pew Sheet



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2022

WORSHIP THEME: NEW IDENTITY

If you are visiting or new to our parish, please see the Welcome section on the back of this pew

Priest's Message

Today's Bible readings continue our recent theme of inclusion, and also bring in today's theme of **New Identity**.

The reading from Jeremiah gives us the beautiful image of God the potter helping us remould when we need to, and forming us into a work of art. The



psalm speaks of God's constant presence and intimate knowledge of us even from before we were born. The New Testament reading is a very personal letter from Saint Paul to an individual called Philemon whose slave Onesimus has run away. Paul, in an attitude that shows how radical the Christian Gospel was and is, asks Philemon to accept Onesimus back not as a slave but as a beloved brother in Christ. This is Paul putting into action the radical equality expressed in Galatians 3:28 that *"there is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."*

This gives a context to the very strong words of the Gospel to love Christ more than all others and take up our cross and follow. Our strong western concepts of individualism and owning possessions are challenged by the communal aspect of the Gospel – but that is at the heart of our new identity in Christ: equal sisters and brothers in the Lord. The Seasons of the Spirit liturgy resource sums it up like this: *"Being in a relationship with Christ is life-changing. It shapes who we are, changes our outlook, and inspires us to live in God's ways. From the heart of love, justice flows out into all our relationships, even when doing so is difficult or comes at a cost. We wrestle with the implications of our new identity as individuals and as the church, discerning with one another how to live into God's grace and peace."*

WORSHIP RESOURCES

Sentence

‘Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand,’ says the Lord.
Jeremiah 18:6

Prayer of the day

God of the ages, you call the Church to keep watch in the world and to discern the signs of the times: grant us the wisdom that your Spirit bestows, so that with courage we may proclaim your prophetic word, and complete the work you have set before us; through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

First Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-6

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ‘Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.’

So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: ‘Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done?’ says the Lord. ‘Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.’

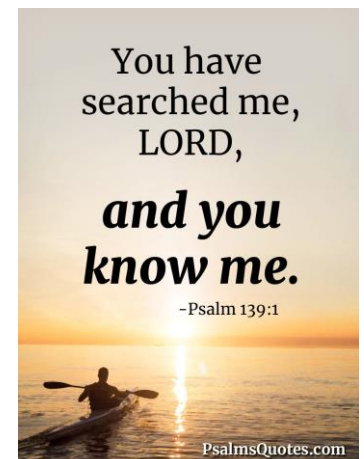
Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18

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- 1 O Lord, you have searched me out and known me:
you know when I sit or when I stand,
you comprehend my thoughts long before.
- 2 You discern my path and the places where I rest:
you are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 For there is not a word on my tongue:
but you, Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You have encompassed me behind and before:
and have laid your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me:
so high that I cannot endure it.



- 12 For you have created my inward parts:
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will praise you, for you are to be feared:
fearful are your acts, and wonderful your works.
- 14 You knew my soul, and my bones were not hidden from you:
when I was formed in secret, and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes saw my limbs when they were yet imperfect:
and in your book were all my members written;
- 16 Day by day they were fashioned:
and not one was late in growing.
- 17 How deep are your thoughts to me, O God:
and how great is the sum of them!
- 18 Were I to count them, they are more in number than the sand:
were I to come to the end, I would still be with you.

Second Reading

Philemon 1:3-21

A reading from St Paul's Letter to Philemon

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.



For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be

voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant,
and teach me your laws.

Alleluia.

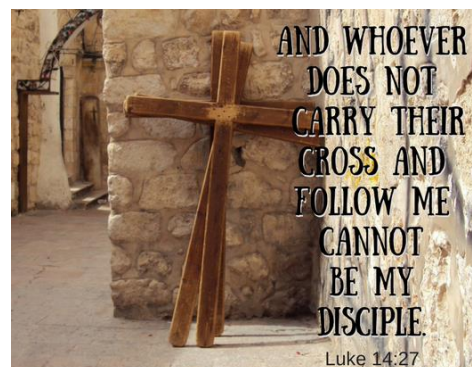
Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Now large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate**[see note]* father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.



For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.”

Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one

who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace.

So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

*** Note about the word “hate” in Luke 14:26-27**

“The word ‘hate’, conveys the wrong sense in English. We think of hate being the opposite of love, and we think of both love and hate as focussing on a feeling of attraction or repulsion towards another person. In the New Testament and throughout the Bible neither word focusses on feelings. In the Aramaic idiom spoken by Jesus, to love means to carry out one’s obligations faithfully in regard to someone, no matter how one might feel. To hate is to fail to carry out these obligations. To say that you love one person or group and hate another is to say that you choose to carry out your commitments to one in preference to the other when these commitments are in conflict.”

Michael Fallon, MSC, *The Gospel According to Saint Luke – An Introductory Commentary* (Chevalier Press, 1997) p.252

So in this instance the Contemporary English Translation may be more helpful. *‘You cannot be my disciple, unless you love me more than you love your father and mother, your wife and children, and your brothers and sisters. You cannot come with me unless you love me more than you love your own life. You cannot be my disciple unless you carry your own cross and come with me.’*

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Next Sunday 11th September (14th Sunday after Pentecost)

Theme: Growing in God’s Love

Jeremiah 4:11-12;22-28 Psalm 14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM AND FOR OUR PARISH

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, Pat Carter, Di Besson, Paris D'Souza, Joanna Muspratt, Jennifer Elbe, Krissa Buhain, Andrea, Barbara Morris, David Kemp, Clarissa Dalton, Freda, John, Sophie, Lois and John

PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 3 rd	2:00-4:30pm JuMP Journey of Musical Praise at St Peter's
Sunday 4th	7:45am Eucharist at St Peter's 8:45am Eucharist at St Martin's 10:00am Family Service with JuMP Singers at St Peter's
Wed 7 th	10:00-11:30am Playgroup - St Peter's Community Centre 12 noon Woodcroft School visit to St Peter's 1:15pm Immanuel Primary School visit to St. Peter's 7:30pm Parish Men's Group gathering in the Community Centre
Thu 8 th	10:00am Eucharist in St Michael's Chapel at St Peter's 1-2pm: Choir Vestry booking
Sat 10 th	2-4pm Community Centre Private booking
Sunday 11th	7:45am Eucharist at St Peter's 8:45am Eucharist at St Martin's 10:00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's
Tue 13 th	10:00-11:0am Choir Vestry booking 6:00pm Private booking, St. Martin's Hall
Wed 14 th	10:00-11:30am Playgroup - St Peter's Community Centre 5:30pm Diocesan Council Meeting, St. Peter's Community Centre
Thu 15 th	10:00am Eucharist in St Michael's Chapel at St Peter's
Sat 17 th	5:00pm Holy Communion at St. Peter's followed by pizza tea
Sunday 18th	8:45am Healing & Taizé Service at St Martin's No services at St Peter's on the morning of the 18th September



PARISH NOTICES

Welcome once again to all 🎵 JuMP! participants after our second music workshop yesterday. We give thanks that we can share the gift of praise, music and song together in our worship. Thanks to Liz, Julian and all who helped.

PARISH MEN'S GROUP – WEDNESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

Gathering on Wednesday 7th September for a quiz and games night. Some activities provided or bring a favourite game to play. Supper provided including an optional blind wine-tasting.

PARISH EMERGENCY FOOD MINISTRY:

Our current needs include Weet-Bix (small/med), pasta sauces in jars (we are okay for pasta) and UHT cow's milk. Any donations appreciated. Thank you!

INTERESTED IN CONFIRMATION?

Bishop Denise Ferguson will be visiting our **10am service on Sunday 20th November**. This is a great opportunity for those who have been considering confirming their faith. What does this mean?

Confirmation - For those baptised as infants there is an opportunity to confirm your faith when you reach youth or adult years. The confirmation service can be found on page 84 of the green prayerbook. You will see that the promises are the same as those made at baptism. The bishop will then pray for you to receive the Holy Spirit and confirm your faith.

Reception into the Anglican Church - Those who are members of other denominations can also be received into the Anglican church when the bishop visits (see page 96).

Affirmation - There's also an opportunity for anyone who has already been confirmed to publicly reaffirm their faith and receive prayers from the bishop (see p.91).

So far there are three adults interested in being confirmed, and two interested in being received into the Anglican church. Speak to Rev Andrew or Rev Michele if you would like more information. We will organise some preparation sessions soon.

ADMISSION TO COMMUNION

For younger children (7-10 years) who are not yet ready to be confirmed but who are ready to learn more about communion and receive their first communion, we are able to organise some preparation for this also. Preparation is done mostly at home through a workbook along with a couple sessions with the priest and parents. Minimum age for admission to communion is 7 years old. Speak to Rev Andrew or Rev Michele if you are interested to learn more.

SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER – CITY/BAY FUN RUN

Please Note – no services at St Peter's, Sunday 18th September. Instead, there will be **Holy Communion Service at 5:00pm, Saturday 17th September, followed by pizza tea (recommended cost \$10). Juice provided, BYO wine. Please fill in the RSVP sheet indicating your pizza flavour preference and whether you can bring a dessert. (YES the sheets are there this morning!!)**

For those who live south of Jetty Road and are not affected by road closures, **St Martin's Communion service will be held as usual on Sunday 18th at 8:45am**

UPCOMING UKRAINIAN FUNDRAISERS

Songs of Praise – A concert presented by the Adelaide Benefit Concert Choir.

Sunday 11th September 2:30pm at St Augustine's Church, Unley. Raising money to Support the Ukraine through ABM. Suggested entry donation \$20/\$10.

It's always great to welcome visitors to our churches at St Peter's, Glenelg and St Martin's, Glenelg South.

At **7:45am (St Peter's)** you will need this news sheet and a green prayerbook (p.119). At **8:45am (St Martin's)** you will be greeted with a news sheet, prayer & hymnbooks to use.

At **10am (St Peter's)** you only need this news sheet as the service is on the powerpoint screen.



Feel free to sit anywhere - there are no specially reserved seats.

Toilets are located, at St Peter's, along the passageway, under the projector screen. At St Martin's, they are in the corridor adjacent to the worship space.

Feel free to join in with all aspects of worship as you feel comfortable. Please be aware that visitors are warmly welcome to receive communion with us.

We love to meet new people so you are very welcome to stay for a cuppa after the service, but don't feel bad if you need to get away - there's always next time.

We hope you find inspiration and blessing in your time spent here.

DONATING TO OUR PARISH

Regular Planned Giving can be directed to Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-077 Account Number 00041211 (please use your surname and initial SMITHJ PGP).

One off/occasional donations, that are separate to regular PGP, can be made to Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033

Heritage Conservation Fund (tax deductible): Ensure the donation is designated for *The Anglican Parish of St Peters Glenelg*. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa>

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The Anglican Parish of Glenelg acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.