

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal Sixth Sunday of Easter 26th May, 2019



7.30am - Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince

Hymns: TIS 375, 386, 388 vv 1-3, 7, 8, 376.

English Organ Postlude: Tuba Tune in D Major (C S Lang)

9.30am - Holy Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching - Fr Mark Watson

Trinity Band and Singers Hymns: TIS 382, 383, 535, 242.

[All hymns are from Together in Song unless otherwise specified.]

Prayer and anointing for healing are available at each Eucharist. If you would like prayer and anointing, please move in front of the step, at the left side of the altar, after receiving communion and a priest will come and minister to you.

Sentence

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,' says the Lord. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

John 14.27

Prayer of the Day

Great and loving God,

your will for us in your Son Jesus

is the peace which the world cannot give,

your abiding gift, the Advocate he promised.

Calm all troubled hearts,

dispel every fear,

and keep us steadfast in love and faithful to your word.

Grant this through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead,

who lives and reigns with you now and always

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles chapter 16, verses 9 – 15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

> Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 67

Let God be gracious to us and bless us: and make his face shine upon us,

That your ways may be known on earth: your liberating power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God: let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing: for you judge the peoples with integrity, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God: let all the peoples praise you.

Then the earth will yield its fruitfulness: and God, our God, will bless us.

God shall bless us: and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

A reading from book of Revelation,

chapter 21, verses 10 - 14,

chapter 21 verse 22 – chapter 22. verse 5

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, Chapter 14, verses 23 – 29

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Please pray for

Barbara Matthews, Maureen H, Joan and Norman Williams, Bill Howard, Joel, Paul C, Pat Jessup, Jean Easy, Paul Naylor, Sue Wilkinson, Isabel Horsley, Ken Hope, Carmen McGee, Bill Moss, David Franklin, Emma Horton, Margaret Willard Tony Cronin, Lyn Cooke, Enid Marvin, Neville Clark

ASCENSION DAY - A CELEBRATION OF ABSENCE

This Thursday, 30th May, the Church celebrates the Festival of the Ascension of Our Lord. It is the 40th day after Easter when Jesus left his disciples, promising to send the Holy Spirit, which occurred on the Feast of Pentecost.

We normally celebrate the arrivals and comings of those we love, such as births, anniversaries, homecomings and so on. Why would we want to celebrate an absence, a departure, a goodbye? Well we do that when someone is taken from us in death. The funeral is a farewell, a tribute to the person who has been taken from us. It is also a beginning, an acknowledgement that our lives will be different from now on. To try to live as though nothing has changed, as though things will continue as they were before, is to live in denial. It invites pain rather than healing and hope and the chance of a new beginning.

Jesus left his disciples, being taken from them physically so that he could be with them in a new and more wonderful way. His unavailability in the body would result in a new availability in the Spirit.

We have a natural tendency to want things to remain the same, to resist change. The reality is that change will happen whether we like it or not! Look at photographs of yourself taken twenty years ago then look in the mirror and ask how successful you've been in resisting change! The issue for us then becomes one of either trying fruitlessly to resist change resulting in it controlling us, *or* accepting the inevitability of change and working with it in a way that is constructive and life-giving.

Jesus told Mary Magdalene not to hold onto him after he rose on the first Easter morning. Why? "Do not hold onto me, **because I have not yet ascended to the Father**" (Jn 20:17). Only after ascending into heaven could Jesus send the Holy Spirit upon his church, his disciples, you and me. Jesus will not be controlled by us, working to our timetable or our agenda. Jesus is *not* available to us in the way we choose. His Spirit is given to us so that **we may be available to him**.

We confess in the Creed each Sunday, the fact that Christ ascended into heaven. In the Great Thanksgiving at the Eucharist we celebrate "his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension." This is the climax of the Easter season. Come this Thursday and celebrate the great absence of Christ as we anticipate his glorious presence in the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost. The Eucharist on Ascension Day will be celebrated at 8.30am in the Founders' Chapel.

Fr Mark

Postponed till August 'Community Hymnfest'

At this time we do not have a date, however, start looking for your favourite hymns to add to the list once we have put it out.

Dinner at the Bowlo – 600pm next Sunday 2nd June

Dinner at the Terrigal Bowling Club next Sunday at 6.00pm. Please add your name to the list if you wish to attend.

'Whispers of Love' Meditation

Reflection

Our hope is rooted in the supreme goodness that has being given to each one of us in Christ.

Meditation is a time of profound Joy.

It is the peace beyond all understanding, beyond all words, concepts or analysis.

John Main

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

Week of Prayer for Reconciliation

27th May - 3rd June 2019

Prayer for Reconciliation

Lord God, bring us together as one,

reconciled with you and reconciled with each other: You made us in your likeness,

you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ.

He has given us forgiveness from sin.

Lord God, bring us together as one,

different in culture, but given new life in Jesus Christ,

together as your body, your Church, your people. Lord God, bring us together as one,

reconciled, healed, forgiven,

sharing you with others as you have called us to do. In Jesus Christ, let us be together as one. **Amen**



Pew Reflections

The Sixth Sunday of Easter - Sunday 26 May 2019

 Acts 16.9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21.10-14, 21.22-22.5; John 14.23-29

Justice: Today we find Jesus healing on the Sabbath – completely scandalous to anyone following the Mosaic Law. Nonetheless we can see in this an act of justice where a paralysed man was cured and Christ could say to him 'Stand up, take your mat and walk'. How can our parishes bring justice to those who need it?

- Pray that we might see out injustices and work to find creative and innovative ways to solve them. May we not be like the proverbial ostrich with a head stuck in the sand.
- Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Central Africa, remembering especially the work of the Zambia Anglican Council.

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BSB 705077

ACC 00040934



Margaret MacLachlan – our Samaritans link person –

requests you consider bringing food donations with winter approaching supplies are low. Samaritans are also conducting their annual winter appeal, a notice is on our board.

Rosters for next week

2nd June – 7th Sunday of Easter

<u>7.30am</u>

Greeter	Sidesperson	Readers	Servers
Terry Rowe	Toni Stanley	Robyn Crowley	
		Chris Crowley	

<u>9.30am</u>

Greeter	Sidesperson	Readers	Servers
Libby Harvey	Laurie Meakins	Irene Neville	
David Harvey		ТВА	
Morning Tea	Counting Roster		Flowers
Irene Neville	Albert Townsend		Margaret
Evelyn White	Kyara Newport		MacLachlan

Next Sunday – 2nd June 2019 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Seventh Sunday of Easter				
7.30am – Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson				
Organist – Chris Sillince				
9.30am – Holy Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson				
Organist – Sharon Sandstrom				
Readings: Acts 16. 16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation 22. 12-22				
Gospel: John 17. 20 - 26				

This Week

Week of Prayer for Reconciliation 27th May – 3rd June

Monday 27th May

10.00am – Meditation – Whispers of Love – Rev Ann

Tuesday 28th May

8.00am – Morning Prayer – *Rev Ann* 7.00pm - Trinity Band and Singers

Wednesday 29th May

8.00am – Morning Prayer [Fr Mark]
5.00pm - Holy Eucharist (Fr Roy)
5.30pm - Sacred Reading (Fr Roy)

Thursday 30th May ASCENSION DAY

8.00am – Morning Prayer – Fr Mark 8.30am – Holy Eucharist – Fr Mark

Friday 31st May

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH 8.00am – Morning Prayer – Fr Mark 10.30am - Holy Eucharist [Fr Mark] and morning tea Readings – 1 Samuel 2. 1-10, Psalm 113, Romans 12. 9-16b, Luke 1. 39 – 57

> **Saturday 1st June** Justin, martyr at Rome (d.c 167)

The Parish of Terrigal warmly welcomes you.

We offer many opportunities for meeting together ...

to worship and pray; to study Scripture and theology; to share fellowship, caring and support; and to celebrate real relationships which are divinely life-giving.

These opportunities normally include ... Sunday Worship at Holy Trinity 7.30am - Sung Eucharist and 9.30am – Holy Eucharist 3rd Sunday in the month - Messy Church between 3.30pm and 5.30pm

Weekly Worship at Holy Trinity

Tues to Friday - 8.00am - Morning Prayer Friday at 10.30am – Eucharist 1st Monday at 3.00pm Monday Tarragal Manor & Tarragal Glen Eucharist Every Wednesday at 5.00 pm - Eucharist 3rd Thursday at 10.30am - Eucharist at The Pod [Aurrum] 4th Friday – 11.00am – Eucharist at Woodport Aged Care VARIOUS PARISH MINISTRIES

'Whispers of Love' - a meditation (Monday at 10.00am); Women's Fellowship (2nd Monday at 1.00pm); Parish Council (2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm); Trinity Band (Rehearsal - Tuesday at 7.00pm) (Playing at the 9.30am Service -2nd and 4th Sundays); Sacred Reading (Wednesday at 5.30pm); Pastoral Care (2nd Thursday at 10.00am); Bible Study (Friday at 11.45am); Messy Church Planning Meeting (as arranged) ; Gardening (2nd Saturday from 8.00am); Market Day (3rd Saturday from 8.00am)

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