Anglican Parish of the Parks
St Silas & St Anselm, Albert Park

18 October 2026
Feast of Saint Luke
9:30am Sung Eucharist

Wominjeka – Welcome

A warm welcome to our worship today, especially if you are here for the first time or visiting from elsewhere. Please do stay to share refreshments at the end of the service. This booklet contains the full order of service: you are invited to join in the parts printed in bold type.

Today's service will be livestreamed at: http://video.parishoftheparks.com.au

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Boonwurrung people, the original custodians of this land, and acknowledge the people and elders of the Eastern Kulin nation who have traditional connections with, and responsibility for, the land on which we meet.

WELCOME

to our worship today at the Parish of the Parks

This booklet contains the full order of service. You are invited to join in saying together the words printed in bold type, and to stand where indicated as you are able. Sometimes you may simply need to sit and be carried by the prayers of others – that too is part of our life as the church.

Children are always welcome to be fully part of our service. At the back on the left hand side of the church there is a children's activity area, but please also feel most welcome to sit near the front where children can more easily see what is happening. It's fine if they make a bit of noise, or if they want to roam around and explore this new place.

There is a bathroom and change table at the bottom of the stairs near the front door (opposite the lift).

When we come to share Holy Communion, everyone is welcome. Children who have been baptised are welcome to share the communion bread (and wine) at their parents' discretion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, or if you need a gluten free wafer, please let the priest know when you come forward.

If you have any particular questions, needs, concerns, or prayer requests, you are welcome to speak with Rev'd Chris after the service or to be in touch using the contact details on the back page.

We would love to keep in touch with you! Each week the parish sends an email update looking ahead to the next Sunday. You are welcome to sign up on our website at www.parishoftheparks.com.au/subscribe

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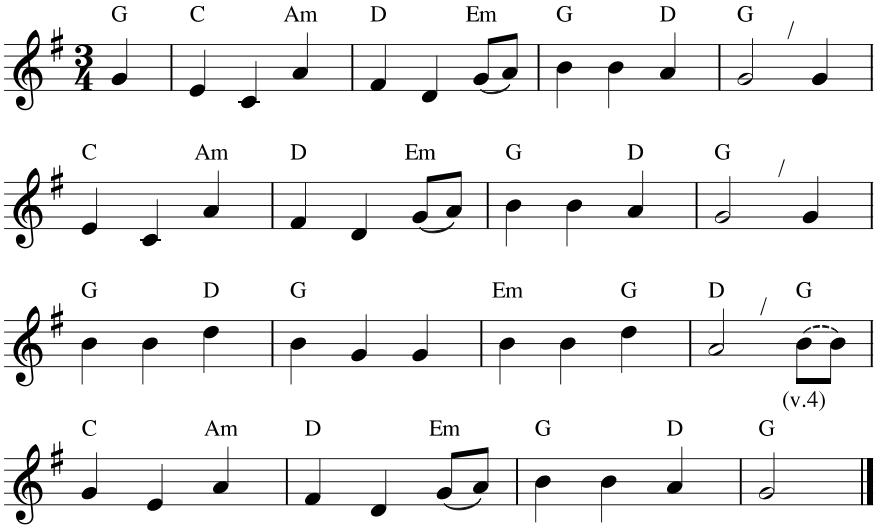
Prelude *Arietta* (Christopher Tambling)

Gathering in God's Name

A bell is rung as a signal for all to stand

Hymn

TiS 143



1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;
your justice like mountains high soaring above,
your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,
in all life now living, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
your angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart —
take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight
what hides you is only the splendour of light;
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart,
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

Walter Chalmers Smith 1824–1908 *alt.*
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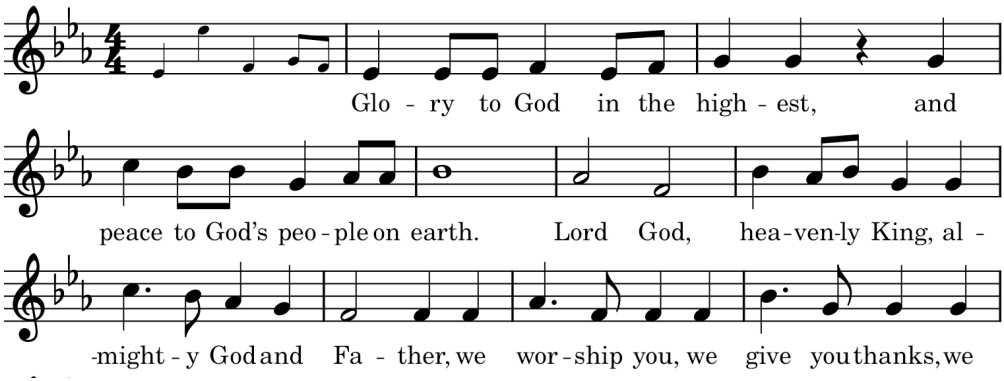
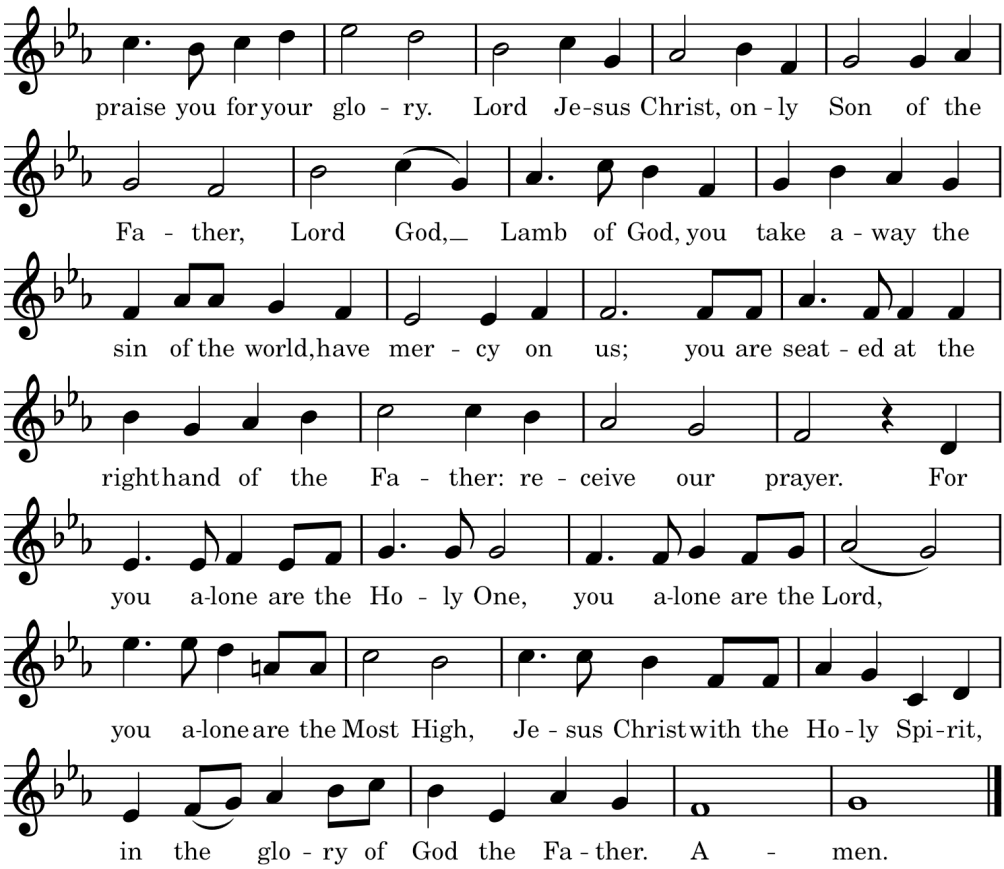
Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All **Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.
All **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.

Gloria



Prayer of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God,
who inspired your servant Luke the physician
to set forth in his gospel
the love and healing power of your Son:
graciously continue in your Church
this love and power to heal,
to the praise and glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Opening the Scriptures

First Reading

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

22 Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?
Why then has the health of my poor people
not been restored?
O that my head were a spring of water,
and my eyes a fountain of tears,
so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of my poor people!
2 O that I had in the desert
a traveller's lodging-place,
that I might leave my people
and go away from them!
For they are all adulterers,
a band of traitors.
3 They bend their tongues like bows;
they have grown strong in the land for falsehood, and not for truth;
for they proceed from evil to evil,
and they do not know me, says the Lord.

(8.22-9.3; NRSVA)

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

Psalm

145 vv 5-8

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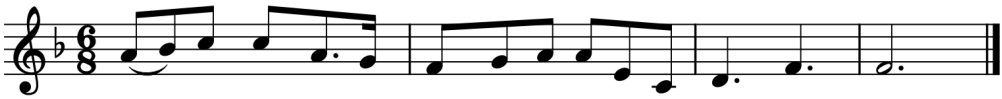
Thereafter it is sung by the congregation as indicated.

All your works praise you, O Lord,
and your faithful servants bless you.
They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your mighty power,

To make known to all peoples your mighty acts
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an ever lasting kingdom;
your dominion endures through out all ages. *Response*

The Lord is sure in all his words
and faithful in all his deeds.
The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up all those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open wide your hand
and fill all things living with plenty.
The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and loving in all his works. *Response*

Second Reading

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy

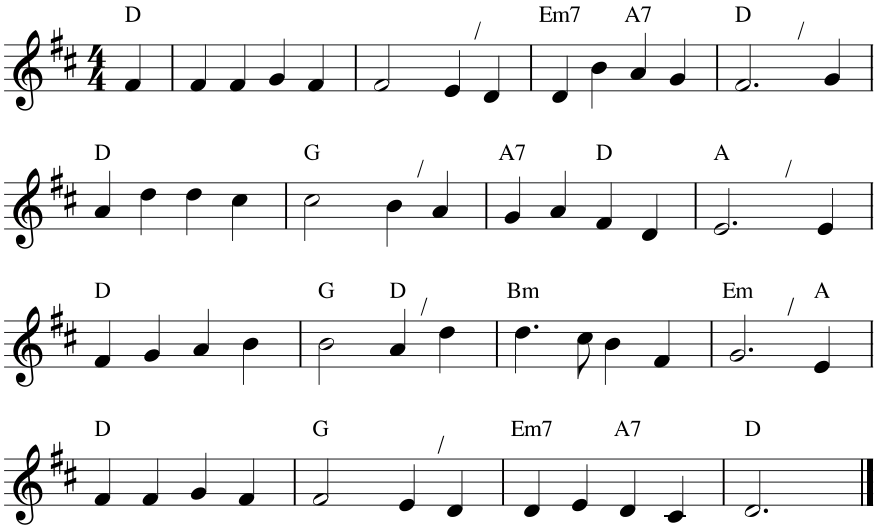
9 Do your best to come to me soon, **10** for Demas, in love with this present
world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia,
Titus to Dalmatia. **11** Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you,
for he is useful in my ministry. **12** I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. **13** When
you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and
above all the parchments. **14** Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the
Lord will pay him back for his deeds. **15** You also must beware of him, for he
strongly opposed our message.

16 At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it
not be counted against them! **17** But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength,
so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles
might hear it.

(2 Timothy 4.9-17a; NRSVA)

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

Hymn



1. Saint Luke, beloved physician,
with honour now recall,
who served his Master's mission,
who ministered to Paul;
whose skill to distant ages
bequeathed a gift unpriced,
a gospel in whose pages
we see the face of Christ.

2. He tells for us the stories
of Jesus here on earth,
the unsung pains and glories
that marked the church's birth;
the Spirit's power in preaching,
the contrite sinner freed,
the grace and mercy reaching
our deepest human need.

3. For all who work our healing
we lift our hearts in prayer,
the love of God revealing
in science, skill and care:
his gifts be still imparted
to those who make us whole,
like Luke the tender-hearted,
physician of the soul.

Timothy Dudley-Smith
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Please remain standing for:

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him
in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. **2** He said to
them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord
of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. **3** Go on your way. See, I am
sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. **4** Carry no purse, no bag,
no sandals; and greet no one on the road. **5** Whatever house you enter, first say,
"Peace to this house!" **6** And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace
will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. **7** Remain in the same
house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to
be paid. Do not move about from house to house. **8** Whenever you enter a town
and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; **9** cure the sick who are
there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

(10.1-9; NRSVA)

For the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Creed

Server Let us affirm as ours the faith of the Church:

All **We believe in one God,**
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayer and Penitence

The Prayers of the People

Presider Let us pray for all people,
and for the church throughout the world.

After each petition: **Hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:
Presider Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.
All **Grant that what we have asked in faith**
we may by your grace receive
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Server 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; 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.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
confident in God's forgiveness.

All **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.

Presider 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.

All **Amen.**

Celebrating at the Lord's table

The Greeting of Peace

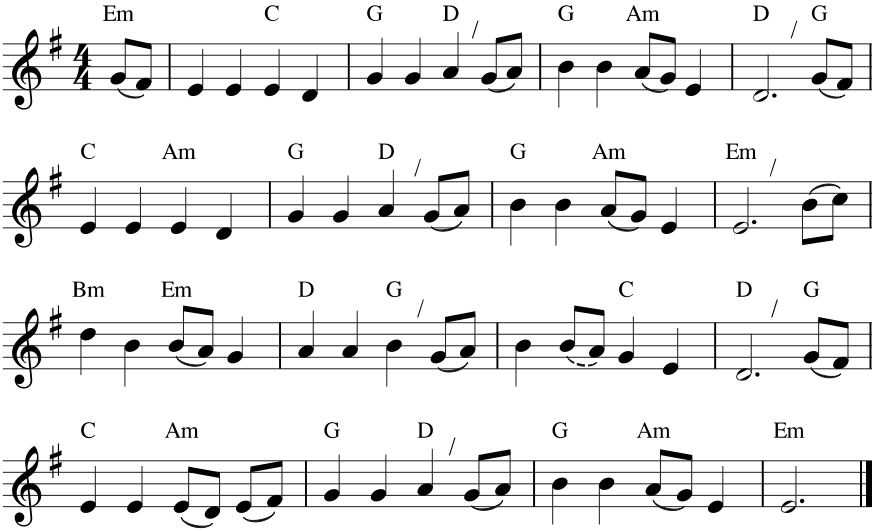
Presider We are the body of Christ.
All **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

We share the peace in a way you are comfortable with.
This may include giving a sign from afar, shaking hands,
or similar acknowledgement.

At the conclusion of the following hymn our gifts are brought forward.
These contributions to the ministry of the parish can be made:

- *in the collection plate near the back of the church*
- *in the basket near the back of the church, for food items to be distributed through the Sunday Suppers program*
- *by online donation (please see page 23 for details)*

Thank you *for all these gifts to sustain the life and ministry of our parish.*

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
‘Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast.’
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
and he has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
‘Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink and live.’
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul
revived,
and now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
‘I am this dark world’s light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright.’
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I’ll walk
till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar 1808–89 *alt.*
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Prayer over the gifts

Presider Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All **All things come from you,**
and of your own do we give you.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

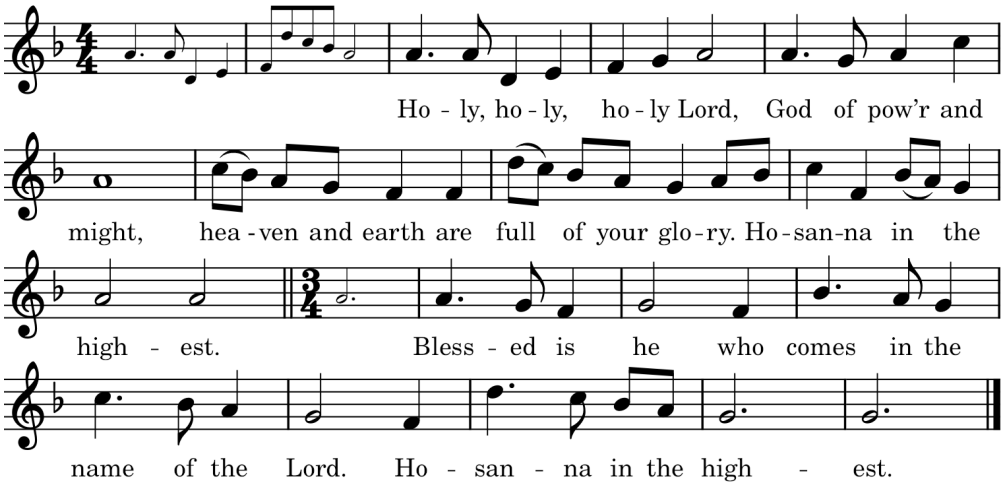
Presider Lift up your hearts.

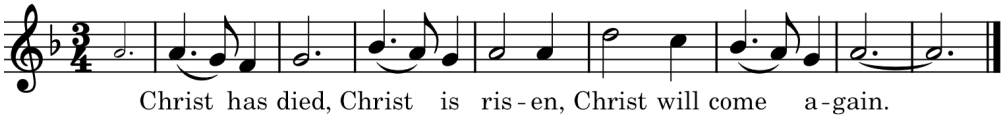
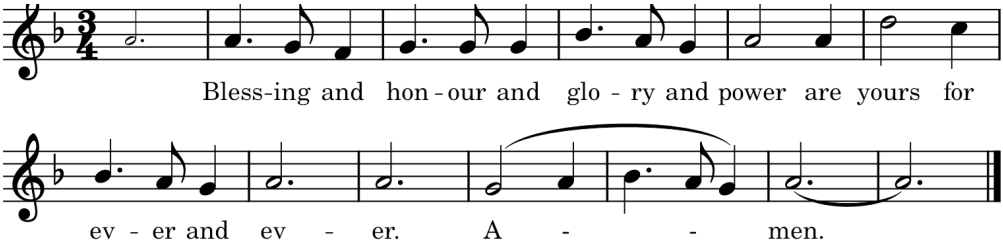
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The presider prays on behalf of all, praising God for God's mighty acts. All respond:



The Last Supper is recalled, including Jesus' command to continue sharing bread and wine: in memory of him, and proclaiming his death and resurrection. All respond:

The prayer calls on God's blessing and looks to the fulfilling of all things within the goodness of God, and concludes:

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As God's children, and heirs with Christ
we cry in the Spirit, 'Abba', Father:

All **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.

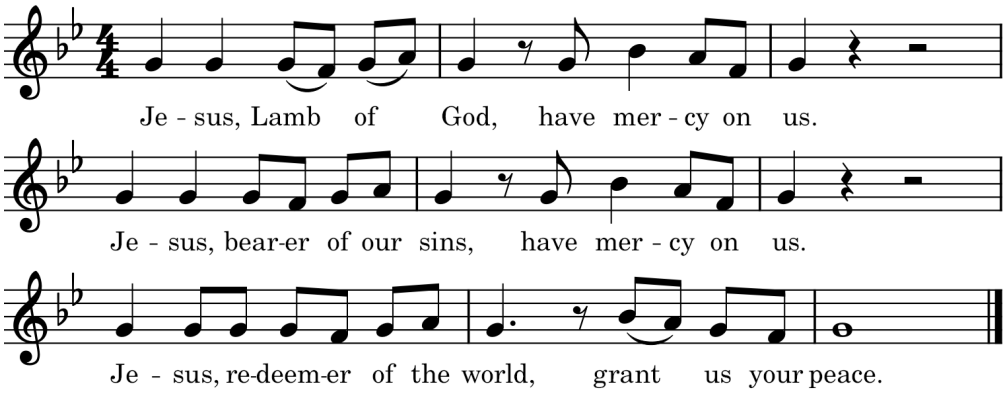
The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

The priest breaks the bread and says

As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:

All **so may your Church be gathered**
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

All sing



The gifts of God, for the people of God.
Draw near with faith,
to feed on Christ in your hearts with thanksgiving.

Everyone is welcome to come forward and share communion.
The wine is received either from a common cup (on the left side of the altar steps), or by the priest dipping the bread into the wine (on the right side).
Please tell the priest if you require a gluten free wafer,
or if you would prefer to receive a blessing.

Communion music *There is a balm in Gilead*

This song, words taken from today's first reading, was among the first traditional spirituals of Black America to be heard outside the Black community. The Fisk Singers, an a capella group from the all Black Fisk University in Nashville, US, toured America in the 1870s, including along the Underground Railroad of the South, used by slaves escaping to freedom in the North, possible after the end of the American Civil War. This song was in their repertoire.

Going into the world

Post-communion prayer

Presider God, the source of all holiness:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims on earth
be welcomed with Luke and all your saints
to the heavenly feast in your kingdom.

All **Most loving God,**
you send us into the world you love.
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.

Notices

Hymn

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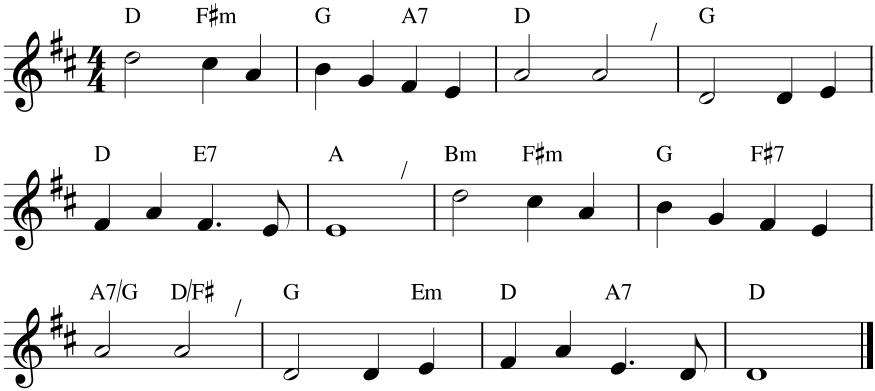

1. Father, we give you thanks, who planted
your holy name within our hearts.
Knowledge and faith and life immortal
Jesus your Son to us imparts.

2. Lord, you have made all for your pleasure,
and giv'n us food for all our days,
giving in Christ the bread eternal;
yours is the power, be yours the praise.

3. Over your church, Lord, watch in mercy,
save it from evil, guard it still,
perfect it in your love, unite it,
cleansed and conforming to your will.

4. As grain, once scattered on the hillsides,
was in the broken bread made one,
so may your world-wide church be gathered
into your kingdom by your Son.

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Blessing and sending out

Presider God give you grace to follow Luke and all the saints
in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Server Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude *Aria* (Robert Jones)

Organist: Hume McGrath

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From your Vicar...

Dear friends,

Today the Church commemorates St Luke, writer of the third Gospel and of the Acts of the Apostles. With those two books, Luke gives us more of the New Testament than any other writer—slightly ahead of the apostle Paul.

Luke's Gospel gives us many parts of the life and ministry of Jesus that are not found elsewhere, including:

- much of the account of Jesus' birth and infancy;
- some of the best known parables of Jesus (such as the Good Samaritan, and the Father and Two Brothers);
- three of Jesus' sayings from the cross ("Father, forgive them…"; "Today you will be with me in paradise"; "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit");
- the great resurrection story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus.

In Luke's telling of the Gospel, we find an emphasis on the human love of Jesus, and his compassion for sinners and those who are excluded according to ethnicity, illness or social standing.

In the Acts of the Apostles, the sequel volume to Luke's Gospel, he gives us our main source of information on the beginnings of the Christian church, starting with the ascension of Jesus and then the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Much of Acts describes the missionary journeys of St Paul—Luke travelled with Paul for some of these and so writes as an eyewitness, with an eye for detail and drama.

Luke is mentioned in some of Paul's letters, including the reading from 2 Timothy set for today, and is described as a physician (Colossians 4.14). We know very little about his life, but it is thought he was from Syria and of Greek background. His death (in Greece, aged 84) is recorded, but there is some doubt as to whether or not he was martyred.

But for all that we don't know about Luke, his ministry of writing has nourished and inspired the Church in every age. Why not take some time today to read the good news of Jesus as told in one of the passages above?

With my prayers for you all,
Chris

Sunday Suppers fundraiser

This Saturday 24th October there will be a fundraising mini-fair in front of the church, raising money for our Sunday Suppers meal program. There will be live music from The Ramblers jazz group, food, coffee, children's activities and more. This is an important event for our parish and plenty of work has already been put into planning - please do support it as much as you are able:

- Come on the day, and invite others to come too (flyers available at the back)
- Assist with baking for the cake stall, and/or by giving some time on a stall (see weekly email for link to sign up)

All Souls' service

A reflective service with readings, music and prayers, as we remember loved ones who have died. Please let Rev'd Chris know any names that you would like added to the list that will be read at that service.

Annual Parish Meeting

Parish Council has set the Annual Parish Meeting for 11am on **Sunday 22nd November**. It's therefore time to think about some practical preparations...

- **Parish Electoral Roll:** In preparation for the Annual Meeting, we are required to revise and update the electoral roll. If you are not currently on the roll and wish to be able to vote at the annual meeting, please complete a form (at the back of the church) or speak to Rev'd Chris for further details.
- **Reports for Annual Meeting:** Please send all reports to the parish office (office@parishoftheparks.org.au) by Monday 2 November.
- **Nomination forms** for election as Churchwardens, Parish Councillors and Parish Nominators are available at the back of the church. Please give prayerful consideration to nominations for these important roles.

Keeping in touch

- Each week the parish sends an email update looking ahead to the next Sunday. If you are not already receiving these emails, you are welcome to sign up on our website at www.parishoftheparks.com.au/subscribe
- ***In this season*** is a regular newsletter from Archbishop Ric Thorpe, with stories, reflections, prayers and encouragement from across the Diocese of Melbourne. Sign up at bit.ly/inthisseasonnewsletter

Looking ahead

1 November 6pm All Souls' service - remembering loved ones who have died

22 November 11:15am Annual Parish Meeting

For our prayers

The world and nation:
For the people of Iran; for peacemakers and peacekeepers in conflict zones.

The Church:

World Council of Churches:
The Church in Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico.

Anglican Communion:
The Anglican Church of Canada

Anglican Church in Australia:
Diocese of North West Australia (Bp Darrell Parker)

Diocese of Melbourne:
Abp Ric Thorpe, Bp Megan Curlis-Gibson; Deanery of Coburg (St Mark's West Reservoir, Jika Jika All Saints Preston, St Augustine/St Alban's Merri-bek, Holy Trinity Pascoe Vale, Holy Trinity Coburg, Christ Church Brunswick, St John's West Brunswick, Merri Creek/St Paul's Fairfield, Darebin South Parish, St Michael's North Carlton)

Our parish and community:
For people sleeping rough or vulnerable in their housing.

Those for whom prayers have been asked:
Owen, Dianne, Trevor
Continuing prayers for: Diane, Joan, Hailey, Angie

The communion of saints:

Year's mind:

Glenelg Tytherleigh	19 October 1973
Linda Henderson	20 October 1964
Rosina Muncey	21 October 1964

To add a name to the prayer list, for those needing prayers now (with their consent) or to be remembered on the anniversary of their death, please contact Rev'd Chris.

Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
be this the eternal song
through ages all along,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Readings for next week (Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost):

Deuteronomy 34.1-12	Psalm 90.1-6, 13-17
1 Thessalonians 2.1-13	Matthew 22.34-46

Giving to the parish

Financial giving, each of us as we are able, is part of our belonging to the church. Our members' regular giving supports the ministry of the parish and enables us to make our contribution to the diocese and wider church. There are several options for making your offering:

- Placing money in the offertory plate on Sundays
- Electronic Funds Transfer to the parish bank account
  Account name: Anglican Parish of the Parks
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Rosters	18 October	25 October
Welcomer	Geoff	Michael
Servers	Marcia, Catherine, Cristian	Scott, Gemma, Sharon
Readers	Paul Geoff	Anna Frank
Intercessions	Marcia	Peter T
Offertory	Michael, Geoff	Peter T, Michael
Chalice	Marcia, Catherine	Sharon, Michael
Morning tea	Frank, Jo, Marcia	Marcia, Sharon
Flowers	Hume	Hume
Video livestream	Frank	Marcia
Side person	Geoff	Michael
Emerald Hill pick-up	Michael	Marcia
Sunday Suppers	Gina (TL); Catherine B, Russell, Pearl	Richard (TL); Lesleyanne, Jobe, Clive, Ali

This week in our parish:

Sunday 18th October
Feast of St Luke, evangelist and martyr
9:30am Sung Eucharist
4:30pm Sunday Suppers
6pm Choral Evensong (with Lay Deanery parishes)

Monday 19th
9am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 20th
9am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 21st
8:30am Morning Prayer
11am Eucharist

Thursday 22nd
9am Morning Prayer

Saturday 24th
9am Morning Prayer
10am-2pm Sunday Suppers mini-fair

Sunday 25th October
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
9:30am Sung Eucharist
4:30pm Sunday Suppers

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