

### St Andrew's Anglican Parish of Riverton



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Priest in Charge—Rev. Lisa Spargo

Supply Priest—The Revd Dr Raewynne Whiteley

To know Christ and make him known

### Sunday 11 February 2024 Last Sunday After Epiphany—Transfiguration

Mountains are special places. I love that it takes so much effort to hike to the top and then you are rewarded with a spectacular view. In the scriptures God is often encountered at the top of mountains. Peter, James, and John see Jesus meet with Moses and Elijah, then they hear the very voice of God. It's no wonder they want to stay but like all mountain top experiences it must end. When we encounter God in our own mountain top experiences, we need to take that feeling with us, back down into our everyday life.

- Pray for those who struggle daily to experience God in their lives.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Japan, the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

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**Holy Communion** - All are welcome to receive Communion with us. You may receive in one kind (just the bread) if you prefer. If you wish to receive the wine also, you may sip from the common cup. Please be aware that current diocesan regulations prohibit intinction (dipping) your wafer into the wine. Gluten free wafers are available.

### For Today's Service

### **Sentence**

It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4.6



### **Collect (prayer of the day)**

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Readings – Last Sunday After Epiphany (11 February 2024 Year B)

2 Kings 2.1-12; Psalm 50.1-6; 2 Corinthians 4.3-12; Mark 9.2-9

### **Prayer List**

### +We pray for the Church

In the World: In our Partner Diocese, Eldoret, Kaplelach High School, clergy and people; Diocese of George, Southern Africa, bishop, clergy and people; Archbishop Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.

**ABM**: The Anglican Church of Hong Kong – Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui; The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people.

**BCA:** Nungalinya College , NT, Emily Quinn; Nungalinya College Dean, Ruth & Lee Walton

CMS: ongoing strength and wisdom for Joan.

In Australia: Archbishop Geoffrey Smith, Primate and Archbishop of Adelaide.

**In the Province:** Community of Balingup, clergy and people; Parish of Northampton, clergy and people

**In our Diocese:** Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishop Kate Wilmot; Bishop Hans Christiansen and Bishop David Bassett; Nominations Committee, Philip Goldsworthy, Chair, and members of the Committee; Parish of North Beach, Margaret Beach and people; Parish of North Midlands

**Prayer Cycle:** Eric & Pauline Mellor, Marissa & Allan Penrose-Menz, Dileer & Shaimaa Mezori

We pray for those in need this month: Jamie Ayrs (Broughton family), Roxana D'Rosario, Terry Flay, Florence Khimbi, Derek Knight, Margaret (Joan Mackie's sister), Margaret and Alan Mason, Joan McNeill, Joyce Mynett, Doreen Newell, Nicholson family: Kathleen, John, Sarah & Amanda, Roslynn Park, Jan Trench, Sylvia Westera, Joy White.

We pray for those in need this week: Marissa Bandy, Roberta Constantine, Fr Alan Brodie, Gwen Builder, Charlie Cuff, Jenny Cuff, Taya Fisher, Gaye Gray; June & Manny Rodrigues, Pat Trevithick, Peter & Helen Broughton

### Thought for the Week from MU - Sharing God's Love

'Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another' *John 4:11*.



When we appreciate all that God has done for us in sending his Son into the world 'as an atoning sacrifice for our sins' (1 John 4:10), we will also love others. And just as God's love was demonstrated to the unworthy and sinful, so we also are called to love all people, and especially our family and fellow Christians. We can easily feel drawn to those who love us or from whom we think we can gain something or people we admire. But as believers we are summoned to care for the poor and dispossessed and lonely and disabled. It is a love which down through the years has transformed lives all around the world. See how much you are loved by God and be transformed so that you love others.

Question for thought: Has the love of God transformed me to love others?

Heavenly Father may members in the Diocese Karnataka in North India be strengthened as they care and support the many vulnerable women and girls in their community. We pray for an end to human trafficking and an end to injustice as we are all one in Christ Jesus. Amen





### 2 Kings 2:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you vourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. 3 The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." <sup>4</sup> Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. 5 The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." <sup>6</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup> Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. 8 Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. 9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you,

before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." 11 As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. 12 Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

### Psalm 50:1-6

<sup>1</sup> The Lord our God, the Mighty One, has spoken: and summoned the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting in the west.

## <sup>2</sup> From Zion, perfect in beauty: God has shone out in glory.

<sup>3</sup> Our God is coming, he will not keep silent: before him is devouring fire, and tempest whirls about him.

# <sup>4</sup>He calls to the heavens above: and to the earth, so he may judge his people.

- <sup>5</sup> 'Gather to me my faithful ones: those who by sacrifice made a covenant with me.'
- <sup>6</sup> The heavens shall proclaim his righteousness: for God himself is judge.

### 2 Corinthians 4:3-12

<sup>3</sup> And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup> In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 7 But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. 8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. 11 For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. 12 So death is at work in us, but life in you.

#### Mark 9:2-9

<sup>2</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart,

by themselves. And he was transfigured before them,

<sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them.

<sup>4</sup> And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

<sup>5</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

<sup>6</sup> He did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

<sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"

<sup>8</sup> Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.



### **Celebrations**

Birthdays: Lynne Jones (Sun 11th)

Jan Trench (Mon 12th)

Cynthia Walker, Lea Stiglemeyer (Wed 14th)

Barry Stone (Thu 15th)

Anniversaries: none recorded

Other:

### **Next Sunday's Readings**

Readings – First Sunday in Lent (18 February 2024 Year B) Genesis 9.8-17; Psalm 25.1-10; 1 Peter 3.18-22; Mark 1.9-15

### **Rosters and Group Meetings**

RHS Biscuit Roster: 12 Feb, Sylvia Stone; 19 Feb, Barb Otterman

**St. Andrew's MU:** meet on 2nd Thursday of the month at 1.30pm in the Fellowship Room.

### **Notices**

Offerings: Parishioners are encouraged to consider direct debit offerings.

Details for direct debit are:

From Account: From: xxxxxxxx

Your/Business name: Offering

**Payment Details** 

**Account Name: Riverton Parish** 

BSB: 706001 Account No: 30005512 Message: Offering

If you do not have access to a computer internet, you may wish to give your offering by cheque made out to **Anglican Parish Riverton** and mail it to:

St Andrew's Anglican Parish Riverton

**PO Box 3022** 

Shelley WA 6148



### **Notices**

<u>Midweek Services (February to April):</u> While Lisa is on leave, we will likely only have clergy cover for Sundays. Our regular midweek service will therefore be on hold for that period. During this time, you may like to take the opportunity to join services in our neighbouring parishes throughout the Deanery:

- St Augustine's (Lynwood) Tuesday 9:30am
- St Michael's (Mt Pleasant) Wednesday 9am \*Sung Eucharist
- St Basil's (Murdoch) Wednesday 11:30am
- All Saints (Bull Creek) Wednesday 1pm

Lenten Giving Up and Picking Up: During Lent the Mothers' Union will collect toiletries and groceries for women, children and men going into the Crisis Family Centre in Tuart Hill managed by Anglicare.. If parishioners would like to support this project please put the supplies in the box in the porch. Many thanks, Mothers' Union.

Ash Wednesday: There will be one service at 9:00am on Ash Wednesday the 14th of February. The Archbishop will be presiding and the service will be a said Eucharist.

Lenten Study: In 2020 we used a booklet published by the Church of England called #Live Lent. Care for God's Creation. These daily reflections and suggestions provide an opportunity to come together to meet with God and to rejoice in the beauty of God's creation. There are copies available at no cost. The booklet can be used for personal or group study. If you are interested, please put your name on the list on the notice board in the Foyer, so I can provide you with a copy of the booklet and we can discuss the possibility of having a group study during Lent. Thank you.

### Rarh O

<u>St George's Cathedral Concert Series:</u> GLORIA Vivaldi, Weelkes & Handel's divine music. Presented by West Australian Symphony Orchestra in collaboration with St George's Cathedral. Conducted by Dr Joseph Nolan. Wednesday 27 March, 7.30pm Perth Concert Hall. BOOK NOW! Tickets from Perth Concert Hall 08 9231 9999 | perthconcerthall.com.au

Parish Council Meeting: Thursday 15 Feb at 7:00pm

### **Visitor Information**

**Children:** Children's Activity Bags are available for parents and children to utilise during our services. Each bag includes a variety of books and materials that suit a wide range of ages, from toddlers through to young teens. You can find the bags at the back of the church. Please ensure they are returned after the service, for use by others next week.

**Conveniences:** Toilets and baby change facilities are located in the hall, accessible via the side door near the children's play area.

**Communion:** You are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us, if this is your usual practice in your own church community. Alternatively, if you or your children wish to receive a blessing instead, please indicate this by keeping your hands behind your back when you come forward to the communion rail. Gluten free wafers are available - if required, please alert the priest when you come forward.



### **Ministry Team**

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On leave until January 2024

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Lay Pastoral Minister: Vacant

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**Roster:** David Otterman