



St Andrew's Anglican Parish of Riverton

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To know Christ and make him known

Sunday 18 February 2024
First Sunday In Lent



Diocese of Perth

The Noah story reminds us that God's covenant is not just with humans but with the whole creation. The old idea of God as a destroyer is moved away from in this narrative, symbolized by the hanging up of the bow that fires arrows upon the earth. God, in covenant with us pledges not to destroy the earth. It's a good reminder that as God's covenant people we are part of the pledge to care for creation.

- We pray for sustainable ways to mitigate global heating.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of Gawura School within St Andrew's Cathedral School in Sydney

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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

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. *Mark 1.15*



Collect (prayer of the day)

God of the new and eternal covenant, as the forty days of the great flood swept away the world's corruption and watered new beginnings of righteousness and life: grant to us, who are washed clean and born again in the saving flood of baptism, the wellspring of your grace, that your gift of new life may flourish once again; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Prayer List

+We pray for the Church

In the World: In our Partner Diocese, Eldoret, Kotito, clergy and people; Diocese of Gogrial, Sudan, bishop, clergy and people; Archbishop Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.

ABM: The Church of South India; The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Garry Nelson, the clergy and people .

BCA: Tasmanian Regional Office; Josh & Naomi Skeat & family

CMS: ongoing strength and wisdom for Joan.

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

In the Province: Parish of Dunsborough, clergy and people; Parish of Bluff Point, clergy and people

In our Diocese: Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishop Kate Wilmot; Bishop Hans Christiansen and Bishop David Bassett; Parish of Rockingham-Safety Bay, Steve Pivetta and people; Parish of Roleystone, Susan Thorpe-Gudgeon and people

Prayer Cycle: Allan Millhouse, Joyce Mynett, Kathleen & John Nicholson

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 - *Serving our Communities*



‘Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven’ Matthew 5:16

As Christians, we are committed to serve our church family, but also the wider community. It is no accident that the care for the poor and weak is so often done by our Christian organisations. But as individuals we are called to share the good news about Jesus and to look after the needs of those around us, especially the sick, homeless and the elderly and the disadvantaged. But notice what Jesus says in Matthew 5:16. Whatever we do individually and as members of Mothers Union it is to be done in such a way that people will give glory to God and not to us. We always need to point to Jesus.

Question for thought: How am I serving those around me so that they give thanks to God?

Amare – Agrupación de Mujeres Anglicanas Renovadas en el Espíritu (Anglican Women Renewed in the Spirit) is the local expression of Mothers Union in Latin America. Lord, we pray as Amare in Argentina and Uruguay cares for the needs of women they will share the hope of knowing you which gives meaning and purpose in life. Amen



Genesis 9.8-17

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark.

¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹² God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴

When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷ God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Psalms 25.1-10

¹ In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope: in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

² Let none who wait for you be put to shame: but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing.

³ Show me your ways, O Lord: and teach me your paths.

⁴ Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me: for you are the God of my salvation.

⁵ In you have I hoped all the day long: because of your goodness, O Lord.

⁶ Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness: for they are from of old.

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: but according to your mercy think on me.

⁸ Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he direct sinners in the way.

⁹ The meek he will guide in the path of justice: and teach the humble his ways.

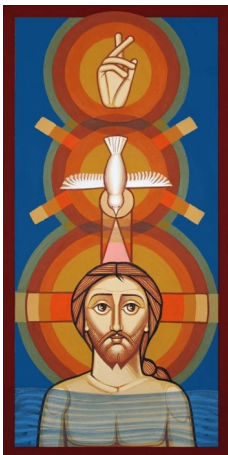
¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true: for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.

1 Peter 3.18-22

¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit,

¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.



Mark 1.9-15

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.¹⁰ And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹² And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.¹³ He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God,¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."



Celebrations

Birthdays: Derek Martin (Sat 27th)

Anniversaries: none recorded

Other:



Next Sunday's Readings

Readings – Second Sunday in Lent (25 February 2024 Year B)

Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22.24-32; Romans 4.13-25; Mark 8.31-38

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.

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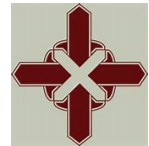
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St Andrew's Anglican Parish Riverton

PO Box 3022

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Notices

Midweek Services (February to April): 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
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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.

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.

Barb O

World Day of Prayer: will be held on Friday 1st March 10am at St. John & St. Paul Catholic Church Pinetree Gully Road Willetton. The service has been written by the Christian women of Palestine. Morning tea will follow the service. All congregation men and women are invited to attend.

St George's Cathedral Concert Series: 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

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.



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