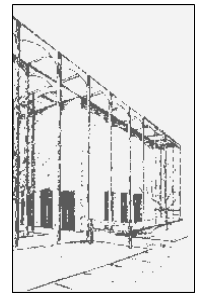


ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
WARNCLIFFE ROAD EAST IVANHOE



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
8th APRIL 2018



SUNDAY

8:00 am Said Eucharist

10:00 am Sung Eucharist

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am Said Eucharist

FRIDAY

10:00 am Holy Communion – Dowell Court

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SERVICE ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY 8th April

Celebrant:	The Reverend Canon Ray Cleary
Preacher	Revd. Bob Mitchell, Anglican Overseas Aid
Organist:	Cyril Thomas
Servers:	Neil Appleby, Sandra O'Grady, Chris Hayward
Eucharistic Assistants:	Server
Readers:	Rosemary Cotter
Sides person:	Bob Hill, Ian James
Morning Tea:	Rosemary Cotter, Elizabeth Appleby
Flowers:	Alison Smart

SERVICE ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY 15th APRIL

Celebrant:	The Reverend Canon Ray Cleary
Organist:	Roger Brown
Servers:	Neil Appleby, Joan Skene, Sandra O'Grady
Eucharistic Assistants:	Alison Smart
Readers:	Brian Monteith
Sides person:	Rosemary Cotter, Bob Hill
Morning Tea:	Denise and George Hill
Church Cleaning	Mary and Richard Hoy

Locum letter 8th April 2018.

Christ is Risen Alleluia Alleluia. He is Risen indeed Alleluia Alleluia

Throughout the Easter season, our first readings will come from the Acts of the Apostles. Today we start with a snapshot of the early Christian community in Jerusalem. Luke whom we believe wrote the book gives us an idyllic picture of a harmonious, faithful and prayerful community. In other parts of the book there are suggestions that this was not always the case and indeed in Paul's letters we have recorded accounts that there were serious problems in many of the communities he had founded. Parish communities and Dioceses for that matter strive for the ideal but sadly, as we know this is not always the case. However much the reality of harmony falls short from the picture Luke puts before us, his ideal should always remain paramount.

In today's Gospel from John we read of the giving of the spirit and the commissioning of the disciples in the one account. By contrast Luke introduces a time span of 40 days before Jesus ascends and 50 days before the outpouring of the spirit. It is Luke's account that provides the framework for the Church's liturgical calendar. Each is telling the same story in a different theological framework. It is peace and of resurrection hope.

Our Easter celebrations continue for the next 50 days, and of course everyday of the year. Resurrection and new life is the centre of our faith and discipleship. We are called to share the Good news of Hope in word and action confident of God's faithfulness.

Today we welcome and will hear from the Revd. Bob Mitchell. He is currently the CEO of Anglican Overseas Aid and an Anglican priest. Bob has extensive experience in international aid and development and is passionate about what Anglicans can do to assist those elsewhere to reach their human potential. Anglican Overseas Aid began as Melbourne's Archbishop's International aid agency and is now widely supported across the country. I am privileged to be a member. We will take a retiring offering for this work today.

Finally let me thank everyone who helped in different ways to make our Holy week and Easter celebrations one of joy and hope.

Ray Shalom
Anglicare and St Mark's Fitzroy food basket is another way this Lent to share with others the bounty of our community.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All are welcome to follow the Way of the Cross at any time that the Church is open. A booklet is available as a guide to your meditation.

A copy of the Locum's Sermon is posted on the Church Website

stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org

Readings for Sunday April 15th

Acts 3.12-20; Psalm 4; 1 John 2.15-17; 3.1-6; Luke 24.36b-48

The Order of Service for the Eucharist commences at Page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.' The readings and hymn numbers for today will be found in this pew bulletin.

Introit: Regina Caeli - Soriano

*Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia:
The Son whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia.
Has risen, as He said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.*

Hymns:

Processional 287 The strife is o'er
Gradual 281 O sons and daughters
Offertory 292 Our Lord is risen from the dead
Final 294 Jesus lives!

Communion Motet: Now the green blade riseth - Trad

Postlude: Voluntary in D by George Dyson

Recordings of postludes played at St George's are posted in the Music section of the church website: stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org

Sentence

'Peace be with you,' says the Lord. 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'
John 20.21

Collect

Risen Christ,
whose absence leaves us in despair
but whose presence is overwhelming:
breathe on us with your abundant life,
that where we cannot see
we may have courage to believe
that we may be raised with you. **Amen.**

Collect at the time of choosing an incumbent

Bountiful God,
Give to this parish a faithful pastor
Who will faithfully speak your word
And minister your sacraments;
An encourager who will equip your people for ministry
And enable us to fulfil our calling.
Give to those who will choose, wisdom
Discernment and patience,
And to us give warm and generous hearts,
For Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen**

A reading from the book of Acts

Acts 4.32-37

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 119:9-16



- 9 How shall a young man's | path be | pure:
un|less he | keep to-your | word?
- 10 I have sought you with my | whole | heart:
let me not | stray from | your com|mandments.
- 11 I have treasured your | words • in my | heart:
that I | might not | sin a|gainst you.
- 12 Blessed are | you Lord | God:
O | teach me | your | statutes.
- 13 With my lips I | have been | telling:
all the | judgements | of your | mouth;
- 14 And I find more joy in the way of | your com|mands:
than in | all | manner • of | riches.
- 15 I will meditate | on your | precepts:
and give | heed | to your | ways;
- 16 For my delight is wholly | in your | statutes:
And I will not forget your word.
and I will |not for|get your |word.

A Reading from the first book of John

1 John 1.1 - 2.2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

For the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me
says the Lord; Blessed are those who have not seen me but still believe!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

John 20.19-31

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to

them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Prayers for those in need: (list renewed monthly: Brian Monteith, Leanne Barker, Lesley Tracey, Paul Finch, Dino Fernando, Phillip Joubert, Louise Miller and others known to you. We pray for those who love and care for them.

Year's Mind

Peter Michael Powis MACE	8th April 1991
Geoffrey George PITCHER	8th April 2012
Lucy Hannah GOTT	9th April 1985
Geoffrey Edwin GRIFFITH	9th April 1995
Sylvia BAHEN	9th April 1971
Raymond Weir McCULLOCH	9th April 2009
George McCULLOCH	10th April 1975
Jessie Elizabeth CARLYLE	10th April 1988
Douglas MOORHEAD	10th April 2002
Donald WILLIS	10th April 2013
Doreen ROBERTS	11th April 1935
Louisa WOOSTER	11th April 1978
John James MORRIS	11th April 2013
Robert James CUNNINGHAM	12th April 1970
Lottie MARSDEN	12th April 1993
Kenneth William HUIISH	12th April 2002
Rudolph Lockwood (Lockie) GUNST	13th April 1965

Flowers today are in memory of Geoffrey George Pitcher

COMING EVENTS AND SERVICES

8th April	Second Sunday of Easter
14th April	Shared Dinner
15th April	Third Sunday of Easter
22nd April	Fourth Sunday of Easter
	Film: Mary Magdalene

ANGLICAN OVERSEAS AID

What we do

Our **vision** is for a peaceful, just and sustainable world for everyone. For this kind of world to become a reality, we believe we need to focus on three main goals. They are:

- Improving basic health and wellbeing.
- Building community resilience.
- Encouraging peaceful societies.

To achieve these goals, we work with [Anglican and like-minded partners](#) across [four geographic regions](#) of the world (Africa, Middle East, Asia, Pacific) to help communities take control of their futures and overcome poverty and injustice.

We use a strength-based approach in all our partnerships and programs. We believe that change happens sustainably when communities are helped to recognise the skills, strengths and assets that they already have that enable them to overcome their challenges. This means that the communities themselves take responsibility for change.

Our work with communities is focused on five key areas or sectors that will help to put in place the necessary building blocks to achieve our vision of a peaceful, just, and sustainable world for everyone.

Thanks A special thanks to everyone who assisted with our worship over the Triduum. Easter is central to the faith of Christians and without the input of the Director of music, choir, servers, sacristans, flower arrangers, fire builder and banner arranger and many others the task would have been made more difficult.

Ray