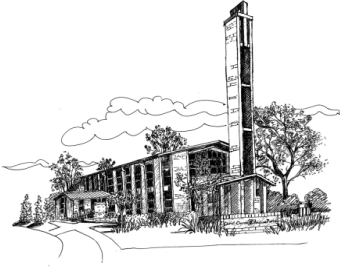


CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA



Sunday 17th March 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Year B

Acknowledgment of Country

We acknowledge the Turrbal & Jagera people, traditional custodians of the Country on which we gather for worship. We pay our respects to elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all First Nations people present today.

MASS SETTING: K: Bell (choir); S/B/A: Schubert; Agnus: Darke (choir)

PRELUDE: Jesus Christus, unser Heiland, BWV 666 - J.S.Bach (1685-1750)

Introit Hymn: 139 (t.405)

Tune: GONFALON ROYAL

The service begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer Book, APBA

The TEN COMMANDMENTS (APBA, p101) are followed by the response:

**Lord, have mercy on us:
and write your law in our hearts by your Holy Spirit.**

The Kyrie (sung by the choir only at 9am)

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God,
though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Confession & Absolution, APBA p120

The Trisagion

(sung at 9am)

Choir: *Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
Holy God, have mercy on us.*

ALL: **Holy God, have mercy on us.**

The Collect

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O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Psalm 119 (9-16) w

sung by the choir (9am) to a chant by Joseph Barnby

APBA p.350

New Testament Reading

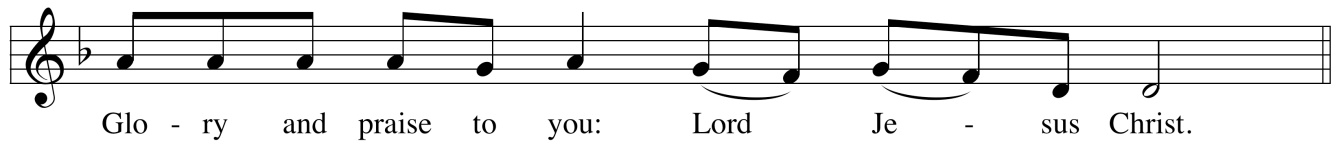
Hebrews 5.5-14

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

About this we have much to say that is hard to explain, since you have become dull in understanding. For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic elements of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food; for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is unskilled in the word of righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, for those whose faculties have been trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

The Gospel Acclamation (9am)



Choir: **Glory and praise to you: Lord Jesus Christ.**

ALL: Glory and praise to you: Lord Jesus Christ.

Choir: *If anyone serves me, says the Lord they must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too.*

Choir/ALL: **Glory and praise to you: Lord Jesus Christ.**

The HOLY GOSPEL

John 12.20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – “Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Sermon: Father Shane Hübner

REFLECTION : *Ich hab' mein' Sach' Gott heimgestellt - Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)*

The Creed is on p.123 APBA, followed by the prayers on p.124

Offertory Hymn: 347

Tune: BOW BRICKHILL

The Greeting of Peace is on p.127 APBA, followed by the Thanksgiving is on p. 128

The Breaking of the Bread & the Communion ABPA p. 141

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ORGAN: *Adagietto & Lento (60 Interludes 33 & 27) - Desmond Ratcliffe (1917 – 2001)*

MOTET: *God so loved the world - John Stainer (1840 – 1901)*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son
that whoso believeth in him, should not perish but have everlasting life.
For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through him might be saved.

Post-Communion Sentence

Unless a grain of wheat falls into earth and dies, it remains alone.
But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

The Sending Out of God's People follows on p.143

Thanksgiving Hymn: 595

Tune: WOLVERCOTE

The Blessing & Dismissal, p.144

POSTLUDE: *Prelude in b, BWV 544 - J.S.Bach*

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Readings for Sunday 24th March 2024 (Lent 6)

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50.4-9a | Psalm 31.9-18 | Philippians 2.5-11 | Mark 14.1 -15.47

Readers – Barry K | Gwen K (7am) ; Bill C | Ness G (9am)

5.30pm Tonight – Organ Meditation
featuring J.S.Bach's 'Partita on Sei gegrübet', BWV 768