

# Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 19th July 2020



9.00am - Holy Eucharist
Presiding & Preaching - Fr Mark Watson
Organist - Chris Silince

#### Sentence

You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Psalm 86.15

### **Prayer of the Day**

Saving God,
in Jesus Christ you opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and constant wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### A reading from Isaiah chapter 44, verses 6 – 8

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god.

Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?

There is no other rock; I know not one.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

#### Psalm 86, verses 11 - 17

- 11 Show me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth: let my heart delight to fear your name.
- 12 I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify your name for ever.
- 13 For great is your abiding love toward me: and you have delivered my life from the lowest depths of the grave.
- 14 The insolent, O God, have risen against me: a ruthless band seek my life, they have not set God before their eyes.
- 15 But you, Lord, are a God gracious and compassionate: slow to anger, full of goodness and truth.
- 16 Turn to me and be merciful, give your strength to your servant: and save the child of your handmaid.
- 17 Show me some token of your goodness: that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed, because you, Lord, are my helper and my comforter.

# A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans chapter 8, verses 12 – 25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption.

When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

# Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

#### Alleluia!

# The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 13, verses 24 – 30, 31 – 33, 36 - 43

#### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just

as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

For the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ** 

Prayer in times of conflict (A Prayer Book for Australia,p 202)
God our refuge and strength,
You have bound us together in a common life:
help us, in the midst of present conflict
to confront one another without hatred or bitterness
to listen for your voice amid competing claims
and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect;
through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**Prayer for those suffering severe illness** (adapted from *A Prayer Book for Australia*, p. 692)

Healing Spirit, we pray for those suffering from serious diseases and for those who are terminally ill, and those living with the COVID-19 virus.

We pray for skill and patience for the doctors and nurses who care for them. We pray that their relatives and friends may be strengthened and comforted.

May their faith not falter as they support each other through testing times.

We pray for those engaged in research that by your inspiration and their skill the scourges of this generation may be overcome. Help us to live in your way and to seek health in body, mind and spirit. **Amen.** 

**Fr. Roy writes:** Last week I wrote to you something about baptism into the Light of Christ and the connection between the roots and the trunk and branches of the Tree of Life.

This led me to thinking further about the coronavirus and the extent to which we are to go to prevent ourselves from contracting the virus. There is the isolation in which we live so that we do not have contact with a person who could pass on the virus to ourselves. Next there is the constant washing of the hands for a specific space of time and then the sanitizer on your hands and surfaces wherever you go. Again, the "little grey cells" went to work to relate this to living in the Light of Christ. This is how they came up. First, there is the isolation to prevent contamination. This is the Christian saying, "Flee Temptation" or rather "Save us from the time of trial", or "You cannot stop temptation from knocking at the door. But you do not have to

invite temptation to come in." Next, at the washing of hands for a length of time you have time to thank God for your baptism with water and the Holy Spirit and being accepted with love as the daughter or son of God and brought into the Light of Christ. Now for the sanitizer that can be a prayer for the continued coming of the Holy Spirit into your life to close the door on temptation as it comes knocking to come into your life.

Keep well, keep safe and the blessing of God be upon you and on all who you love and may your days and nights be holy, good and peaceful.

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#### Please pray for

Barb Matthews, Graeme Patterson, Ken Hope, Norm Williams, Emma Horton, Isobel Hargraves, Gail Lyndon, Jean Jackson, Marian French, Aaron Lane, Pat Lindsay, Toby Lindsay, Gloria Townsend

### 'Whispers of Love' Meditation

#### Reflection

Without some quiet reflection, some solitude and stillness, our inner eyes will eventually be too blurred and weary to discover God in the rushing of our demanding days.

Prayerfully Reverend Ann

### **Women's Fellowship Group**

We have approval to re-commence the Women's Fellowship meetings. The first meeting will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 1:00pm.

Please note that the meeting can be for a maximum of 60 minutes and ladies will need to bring their own cup for tea and coffee. There is individually packed biscuits available or you can bring your own snack but food cannot be shared.

### **Prayer of the Week**

O God, you alone can order our unruly wills and affections: teach us to love what you command, and to desire what you promise, t hat among the changes and chances of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 



## **Ordinary Sunday 16[Pentecost 7]**

- Sunday 19 July 2020
- Genesis 28.10-19a; Psalm 139.1-11, 23-24;
   Romans 8.12-25; Matthew 13.24-30, [31-33], 36-43

We read of Jacob's dream at Bethel. Once Jacob woke he said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!' How many times have we taken God's presence for granted, or worse, ignored the fact that wherever we are, God is by our side.

- Pray that we will discern God's presence with us hour by hour.
   Pray that we will listen to God's voice.
- . Give thanks for the *Daehan Seong Gong Hoe* (대한성공회), the Anglican Church of Korea.

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