Welcome to

St Peter's Eastern Hill

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia Parish Church of the City since 1846



"Pentecost" (c. 1550)

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Sunday 31st May 2020

Pre-recorded - https://bit.ly/3aEZVuB on St Peter's Eastern Hill YouTube Channel

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, only a limited number of parishioners are able to attend public worship. We warmly invite you, therefore, to join us for this Mass online. It will be posted early Sunday morning on YouTube (https://bit.ly/3aEZVuB) or you can locate this and all our weekday Mass recordings through the St Peter's Facebook page.

1. Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2. O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

NEH 137 (vv. 1&2 only) Words: B. da Siena (d. 1434) trans. R. F. Littledale (1833-90) Music: R. V. Williams (1872-1958)

Celebrant: In the

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed!**

The celebrant chants the collect for purity.

Let us pray: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The cantor sings: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

The celebrant then introduces the confession:

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence

Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and true heart.

Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God,
Who has promised forgiveness of sins
to all those who turn to him in faith:
+ pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the + glory of God the Father. Amen.

The celebrant chants the collect for the day.

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost You sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, Filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: Empower us with that same Spirit To witness to your redeeming love And draw all people to you; 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

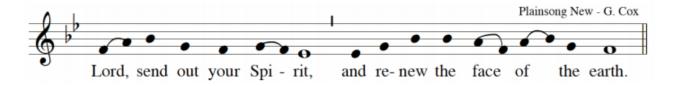
THE FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because all heard them speaking in their own languages. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and converts, Cretans and Arabs— in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

Hear the word of the Lord; thanks be to God.

The cantor then leads the singing of the psalm.

Psalm 104



THE EPISTLE: St Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13 No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of

them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Hear the word of the Lord; thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

The cantor leads the singing of the antiphon. Please join in the response.



The celebrant: The Lord be with you. And also with you.

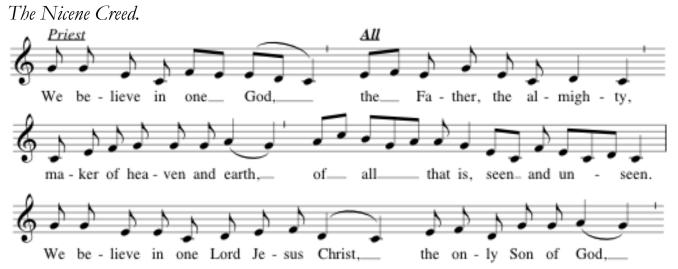
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you + Lord Jesus Christ.

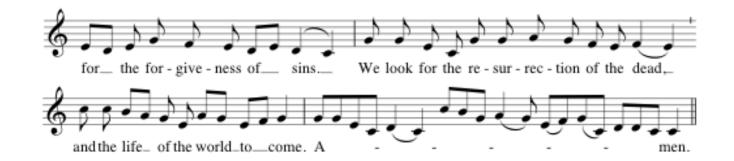
It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then 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."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Fr Hugh







THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And at the end: Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,

and let light + perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith

we may by your grace receive,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE

Celebrant: We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

The offertory hymn:

1. How shall I sing that majesty
Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?

2. Thy brightness unto them appears, Whilst I thy footsteps trace; A sound of God comes to my ears, But they behold thy face. They sing because thou art their Sun; Lord, send a beam on me; For where heaven is but once begun There alleluyas be.

3. Enlighten with faith's light my heart, Inflame it with love's fire; Then shall I sing and bear a part With that celestial choir. I shall, I fear, be dark and cold, With all my fire and light; Yet when thou dost accept their gold, Lord, treasure up my mite.

NEH 373 (vv. 1,2&3)

Words: John Mason (c.1645-1694)

Music: Thomas Tallis (1515-85) transp. by RVW

Celebrant: Blessed are you . . . Blessed be God forever.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands

to the praise and glory of his name,

for our good and the good of all his Church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to

Celebrant: ... forever praising you and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

+ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith ...

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

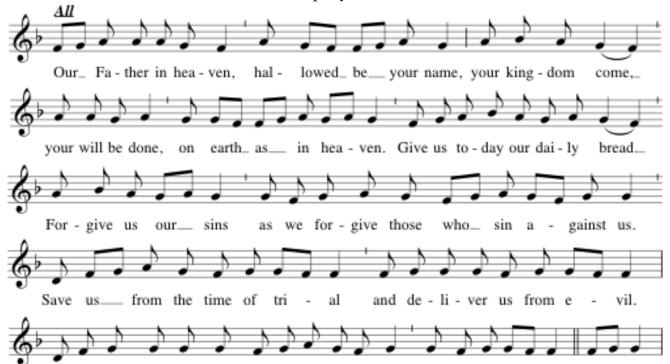
We worship you, Father Almighty, in songs of never-ending praise ...

Blessing and honour and glory and power

Are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant:

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours now and for e - ver. A - men.

Celebrant:

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Communion motet: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)
"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling" NEH 141

After communion there will be a period of silence, during which the priest kneels at the Altar.

The final hymn:

- 1. Sing to him in whom creation
 Found its shape and origin;
 Spirit, moving on the waters,
 Troubled by the God within;
 Source of breath to all things breathing,
 Life in whom all lives begin.
- 2. Tell of how the ascended Jesus
 Armed a people for his own;
 How a hundred men and women
 Turned the known world upside down,
 To its dark and furthest corners
 By the Wind of Whitsun blown.
- 3. Pray we then, O Lord the Spirit, On our lives descend in might; Let thy flame break out within us, Fire our hearts and clear our sight, Till, white-hot in thy possession, We, too, set the world alight.

NEH 142 (vv.1,4&5) Words: Michael Hewlett (1916-2000) Music: Christopher Dearnley (1930-2000)

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant sings the post-communion prayer:

Giver of life and love,
We thank you that in this heavenly banquet
You invigorate and renew us.
Living in the unity of the Spirit,
May we boldly use your gifts
To continue your work in the world.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The blessing:

God stir up within you the gift of the Spirit That you may confess Jesus Christ as Lord And proclaim the joy of the everlasting gospel Wherever you may be; And the blessing of God ...

The celebrant dismisses the congregation.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude: Jeanne Demessieux (1921-68) Veni Creator

"MORNING TEA AT THE VICARAGE" BY ZOOM, SUNDAY, 12.30PM

Usually after Mass we gather in the Hall for morning tea. As we can't do this in the same way during the pandemic, Fr Hugh is now hosting a virtual "Morning Tea at the Vicarage" every Sunday from 12.30pm. If you have not used Zoom before, or have difficulty connecting text: 0488 960 022.

Join us by Zoom, by putting this link into your search engine: https://bit.ly/2Lt6jds
Meeting ID: 914 9181 6647

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SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASSES Attending Mass in Person – "Low Mass" only

Unfortunately, during the current Victorian Government restrictions, we cannot resume the usual Sunday services at St Peter's.

The West Door of the church is once again open to the public, for up to 10 people, and next week 20 people. But our worship is by no means back to the way it was before the pandemic. Many parishioners are choosing to remain at home, and join the Mass by YouTube or on FaceBook. If you would like to come back to church, however, you are welcome to join Fr Philip, Fr Greg, Fr Ken and myself in person for one or more of the following Masses:

- Monday 7.15am
- Tuesday 7.15am
- Wednesday 7.15am, 1.15pm
- Thursday 7.15am
- Friday 7.15am
- Saturday no public worship Mass recorded onto YouTube for Sunday
- Sunday 10.30am

Another big change is that you now have to "Book a Pew" for Mass. You cannot just turn up like you used to, because of the small numbers of people allowed to attend public worship. Booking your pew is a simple procedure, but you must plan ahead, or you may risk being turned away from church (something none of us would want to happen):

- Very important: you must "book a pew" at least 48 hours (2 days) in advance of any service you would like to attend
- Please e-mail the Parish Office sphoffice@stpeters.org.au (preferred)
- Or phone Kosta on (03) 9662 2391
- Make sure to leave your name and phone number
- Indicate which service, from the above list, you hope to attend
- Indicate the date or dates of the service(s) you would like to attend
- Please note: if there are already more than 10 people booked for a particular service, you will not be able to attend that service
- We will make sure to call you if this is the case

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