

ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALTONA/LAVERTON



St Eanswythe's Altona
St Clement's Altona Meadows
O Te Wairua Tapu Ki Poipiripi



*To proclaim God's love and life in Christ:
growing in faith † serving others † nurturing a common life*

8th March 2020 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

7:45am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's
8:45am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's
10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's
1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

*Wominjeka :: Haere mai
Welcome*



A warm welcome to our worship today, especially if you are with us for the first time or visiting from elsewhere. Please join us for refreshments after the 8:45, 10:30 and 1:00 services.

This booklet contains the parts of the service which change from week to week, as referred to in the coloured service booklet. Hymns are found in *Together in Song* (the red book in the pew in front of you).

Our parish lies on the traditional country of the Yaluk-ut Weelam people within the Boonwurrung clan, part of the greater Kulin nation. We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over countless generations, and we pay our respects to their elders, past and present. We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, justice and healing.

*Welcome and thanks to
the Rev'd Don Edgar and
the Rev'd Judith Atkinson
who are presiding and preaching at
today's morning services.*

OPENING HYMN: 143

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

COLLECT

O God, glorious and faithful, you reveal the beauty of your face to those who seek you with a sincere heart: strengthen us in faith to embrace the mystery of the cross, and open our hearts to its transforming power, so that, clinging in love to your will for us, we may walk as followers of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PARISH PRAYER

Creator God, your love gives life in abundance, and makes us whole again and again. Draw us closer to Jesus, we pray, and give us a heart for all your beloved children. By your Spirit, may our parish bring blessing to young and old, and may our lives be good news for a hungry world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

FIRST READING *Genesis 12.1-4a*

The LORD said to Abram, "Leave your land, your family, and your father's household for the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation and will bless you. I will make your name

respected, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, those who curse you I will curse; all the families of the earth will be blessed because of you."

Abram left just as the LORD told him, and Lot went with him.

(CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills: but where shall I find help?

My help comes from the Lord: who has made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer your foot to stumble: and he who watches over you will not sleep.

Be sure he who has charge of Israel: will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is your keeper: the Lord is your defence upon your right hand;

The sun shall not strike you by day: nor shall the moon by night.

The Lord will defend you from all evil: it is he who will guard your life.

The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in: from this time forward for evermore.

SECOND READING *Romans 4.1-5, 13-17*

So what are we going to say? Are we going to find that Abraham is our ancestor on the basis of genealogy? Because if Abraham was made righteous because of his actions, he

would have had a reason to brag, but not in front of God. What does the scripture say? *Abraham had faith in God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.* Workers' salaries aren't credited to them on the basis of an employer's grace but rather on the basis of what they deserve. But faith is credited as righteousness to those who don't work, because they have faith in God who makes the ungodly righteous.

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The promise to Abraham and to his descendants, that he would inherit the world, didn't come through the Law but through the righteousness that comes from faith. If they inherit because of the Law, then faith has no effect and the promise has been cancelled. The Law brings about wrath. But when there isn't any law, there isn't any violation of the law. That's why the inheritance comes through faith, so that it will be on the basis of God's grace. In that way, the promise is secure for all of Abraham's descendants, not just for those who are related by Law but also for those who are related by the faith of Abraham, who is the father of all of us. As it is written: *I have appointed you to be the father of many nations.* So Abraham is our father in the eyes of God in whom he had faith, the God who gives life to the dead and calls things that don't exist into existence.

(CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: 548 (tune 332)
Eternal light, shine in my heart

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 17.1-9*
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

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From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain. He was transformed in front of them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light.

Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Jesus. Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, "Lord, it's good that we're here. If you want, I'll make three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, look, a bright cloud overshadowed them. A voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son whom I dearly love. I am very pleased with him. Listen to him!"

Hearing this, the disciples fell on their faces, filled with awe.

But Jesus came and touched them.
"Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid."
When they looked up, they saw no one
except Jesus.

As they were coming down the
mountain, Jesus commanded them,
"Don't tell anybody about the vision
until the Human One is raised from the
dead."

(CEB)

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

OFFERTORY HYMN: 234
How good, Lord, to be here

COMMUNION HYMN:
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me;
break me, melt me,
mould me, fill me;
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.

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FINAL HYMN: 684
Love will be our Lenten calling

Readings for next Sunday: 15 March (Third Sunday in Lent)

Exodus 17.1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5.1-11; John 4.5-42

Readings for weekday Eucharists: 11 & 12 March

Exodus 2.23-3.8a; Psalm 11.9-24; Matthew 26.36-56

Today's readings in the whole Bible

There are 66 books in the Bible, and most Sundays we read from four of them (always including one reading from the Gospels). Our Sunday readings follow a three-year cycle (the *Revised Common Lectionary*) which we share in common with many other churches around the world.

OLD TESTAMENT (Hebrew Scriptures)	Pentateuch	GENESIS Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy
	History	... (12 books)
	Poetry	Job PSALMS Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Solomon
	Prophecy	... (17 books)
NEW TESTAMENT	Gospels (accounts of the life of Jesus)	MATTHEW Mark Luke John
	Church history	Acts of the Apostles
	Letters written by (or attributed to) the Apostle Paul	ROMANS 1 & 2 Corinthians Galatians Ephesians Philippians Colossians 1 & 2 Thessalonians 1 & 2 Timothy Titus Philemon
	Letters written by others	... (8 books)
	Apocalypse	Revelation

Genesis tells the story of creation and the beginnings of human relationships with God. Genesis includes material from different (unknown) authors and traditions, which was drawn together over a period of several centuries to reach its final form around the fifth century BC.

Psalms is a set of 150 hymns and prayers which encompass praise, joy, anger, and despair within a deep faith in God. Although many are attributed to King David, they were more likely composed anonymously at various times and places in ancient Israel. In our worship the psalm is a direct response to the first reading.

Matthew's Gospel has much in common with Mark in particular, but places a particular emphasis on Jesus fulfilling the Hebrew Scriptures. Despite its traditional title, the author is not known. Scholars estimate it was written in the AD 80s.

Romans is the only one of Paul's letters written to a church not started by him. Probably written around AD 55-60, it gives a broad picture of Paul's theology and anticipates his first visit to the Christians in Rome.

For our prayers:

The world and nation: For those directly and indirectly affected by the global spread of coronavirus.

The Church:

World Council of Churches: For the Church in Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. For Christians who are persecuted and martyred today, and for those who pray and grieve for them.

Anglican Church of Australia: Locums and retired clergy.

Diocese of Melbourne: Archbishop Philip and Bishop Kate; St Martin's, Hawksburn.

Our parish & community: For the process of finding and appointing a Lay Minister.

Preparing for baptism: Rachel & Emily Shadbolt.

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

Particular current prayers: Eric, Marge, Faye.

The communion of saints:

Year's mind: Ted Thornton (8), Paul Geering (8), Ryan Morgan (14).

Ongoing prayers (*remembered at Morning Prayer through the week*): Sharilyn, Ruby, Paul, Mavis, Bronwyn, Belinda, Joseph, Peter, Daniel, Stuart, Nick, Vahid, Malek, Davey, Jimmy, Jayden, Ashlee, Tanatha, Julia, Elly, James.

To add names to the prayer list, either those needing prayers now (with their agreement) or those to be remembered on the anniversary of their death, please send details to anglicanaltlav@gmail.com or give to the Vicar.



The Praises of God

You are holy, Lord, the only God
and your deeds are wonderful.
You are strong, you are great.
You are the Most High, you are almighty.
You Holy Father, are King of heaven and earth.
You are Three and One, Lord God, all good.
You are Good, all Good, supreme Good,
Lord God, living and true.
You are love, you are wisdom.
You are humility, you are endurance.
You are rest, you are peace.
You are joy and gladness.
You are justice and moderation.
You are all our riches and you suffice for us.
You are beauty, you are gentleness.
You are our protector, you are our guardian and defender.
You are courage, you are our haven and our hope.
You are our faith, our great consolation.
You are our eternal life, great and wonderful Lord,
God almighty, merciful Saviour.

St Francis of Assisi, c.1182-1226

Dates for your diaries

22 March

Bishop Kate visiting Te Wairua Tapu service

5 April

Palm Sunday: 9:30am combined service at
St Eanswythe's

12 April

Easter Day

GROCERY DONATIONS Lent is a particular time to consider our giving to the needs of others, including through our Sunday food donations. Non-perishable food items can be placed in the baskets at the back of each church, to be offered as part of our thanksgiving and then passed on to Laverton Community Integrated Services and the Salvation Army for distribution in the local community.

ANNUAL LEAVE Rev'd Chris is on annual leave this weekend, returning to the parish on Wednesday. Please note that there will not be Morning Prayer at St Eanswythe's on Tuesday or Thursday this week.

REFRAMING THE STORY: a photo exhibition at St Paul's Cathedral celebrating 170 years of women leaders in the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne. The exhibition is a partnership with the Diocese of Melbourne's Preventing violence against women program for International Women's Day, and is on display at the Cathedral until 7 April 2020. If you are in the city, do take some time to drop in and have a look.

DAILY PRAYER APP The Diocese of Melbourne Prayer Diary app follows the daily lectionary readings and provides a short devotion and prayer for each day of the year. The cycle of daily prayer for the Diocese of Melbourne (the TMA Prayer Diary) is also incorporated into the app. Available for Apple and Android devices: search for "ADOM Prayer Diary" to download.

Keeping in touch...

- ⇒ Please take this pew sheet with you, for your reference and prayers during the week.
- ⇒ If you are or have been away for a Sunday, you can see recent pew sheets on our website at www.anglicanaltlav.org.au/pew-sheets
- ⇒ Visit www.facebook.com/anglicanaltlav for photos, links, news and other updates.
- ⇒ If you don't already receive occasional emails regarding news, changes of service times, and other updates, please send your email address to anglicanaltlav@gmail.com

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1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

Thursday 12th

NB NO MORNING PRAYER

10am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop

11am Mothers' Union, St Eanswythe's

7pm Lent study group, Trinity Uniting
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Tuesday 10th

NB NO MORNING PRAYER

10am Tiddlers playgroup, St Eanswythe's

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop

6:30pm Caritas, St Eanswythe's

Friday 13th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

9:30am Clementines playgroup, St Clement's

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop

12-1pm Soup & Sandwiches, St Eanswythe's

2pm Lent study group, St Eanswythe's

Wednesday 11th

8am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

9:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10am Lent study group, Mary Help of
Christians Catholic Church

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop

11am Nursing home ministry, St George's

Sunday 15th March

Third Sunday in Lent

7:45am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

8:45am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's

7pm Parish Council, St Eanswythe's

SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45am St Clement's and 10:30am St Eanswythe's

Groups meeting regularly in the parish:

Altona Tiddlers Playgroup: Tuesdays in term time, 10am at St Eanswythe's. Contact Jan Lee (9398 2993)

Clementines Playgroup: Fridays in term time, 9:30am at St Clement's. Contact Louise (9395 5472)

Mothers' Union: monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Thursday at 11am. Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661)

Caritas: monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Tuesday evening at 7:30pm. Contact Joan Meiers (9398 1906)

Reflective Bible Study: monthly at the Vicarage, first Tuesday evening at 7:30pm.