St. Andrew's by the Sea Uniting Church Christian Community in the Heart of Glenelg Rev. Christine Gilbert



Image by Libby Byrne

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 13th October 2019

You grace abounds in deepest waters.

-from the song "Oceans"

GATHERING

Preparing the Space and Our Hearts

Call to Worship

From the shores of the sea, God gathers us in that we might worship and be renewed. *We open our hearts and hands to receive the gift God has for us this day.*

Confident that God will be with us all the way, Christ calls us beyond the familiar and the certain. *We step out with Christ into the deep and find faith and love swirling beneath the surface.*

Like fish swimming in concert with the currents of the sea, we enter the flow of Spirit in and between us now. *We give ourselves in trust to what will be and join the unceasing song of creation's praise.*

Opening Prayer

We sing

"Glory Be"

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Refrain:

Glory be to ocean, swells that will not cease. Glory to a lone gull, hov'ring over beach. Glory in the miracle: *life* that is the earth. Glory to the Author, musing all things to birth.

"Glory!" sings the magpie. "Glory!" howls the wind. "Glory!" sounds the mountain. Kneel and rise and live! 2

Glory be to radiance, in my neighbour's eye. Glory in the shudder when those we love will die. Glory through the atom, glory in the sun. Glory to the Poet, calling out, reading on. *(refrain)* Glory be to humans, in flesh, blood and bone. Glory to our yearning; a new world must come! Glory for the Presence,

when all seems dead and lost.

Glory to the Spirit:

Wonder, vision — love! (*refrain*)

Words: Sean Gilbert Music: Rosemary Dewerse

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

ENCOUNTERING

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:22-33

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May your word live in us: and bear much fruit to your glory.

Reflection on the Word

RESPONDING

Prayers of the People Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Collection and Offering Song

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God, all creatures here below, praise God above, you heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation	"Christ before me"

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st above you and below.

Christ beside me	Christ beside you
Christ within me	Christ within you
Christ around me wher'er I go.	Christ around you wher'er you go.

Refrain:

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Everything is sacred, Everything is blessed, Everyone made worthy To find their holy rest Everyone belongs here Everyone is loved Every life that's failing Grace will lift above.

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Christ before us Christ behind us Christ above us and below.

Christ beside us Christ within us Christ around us wher'er we go.

> Words and music: Malcolm Gordon and Kirstin Cant

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

God be with you. *And also with you.* Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up to God.* Let us give thanks to our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

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Trinity of Love, with voices strong and hearts lifted high, we offer thanksgiving for your unfailing and tender mercy to us, and to all of creation.

We give thanks for the new life bursting around and within for signs of growth and evidence of your slow work in our world...

We give thanks for the love and care of others...

We give thanks for your calling on our lives for the rousing of your Spirit in our hearts, stirring us to move and respond in love...

Here and now you prepare a table, offering not just bread and wine but your very presence that we might be filled, forgiven, ennobled and sent forth again.

Therefore, with the whole realm of nature; we join our voices with faithful people everywhere singing: *Holy! Holy! Holy! One God Almighty! All your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea! Holy! Holy! Holy! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is Christ who comes to set us free.*

Blessing the Bread and Cup

Serving of Communion

 (You are invited to come forward using the centre aisle to receive the bread and cup of communion and return to your seat using the side aisle.
Please indicate if you wish to be served in your seat.)

JOURNEYING

Affirmation of Faith

We affirm and celebrate the Mystery of God. *Creator of vast galaxies yet still creating with passion in our midst.*

We follow the way of Jesus Christ, wisdom of God and embodiment of love. Who calls us and companions us into lives of deepening love and service.

We open ourselves to the Spirit in whose currents we live and move. *Who enlivens and sustains our pilgrimage of faith in this land.*

We are people of God, disciples of Christ, flowing with Spirit. *We go forth in hope to fulfil the dream of God in this life and in the one to come.*

We Sing "For you, deep stillness" For you, deep stillness of the silent inland For you, deep blue of the desert skies For you, flame red of the rocks and stones For you, sweet water from hidden springs.

From the edges seek the heartlands and when you're burnt by the journey may the cool winds of the hovering Spirit soothe and replenish you. In the name of Christ...

Words: Julie Perrin Music: Robin Mann

Please gather for morning tea, in the hall after worship



St. Andrews by the Sea Uniting Church 13th October 2019

Meeting of the Congregation

The Church Council has called for a Meeting of the Congregation on 27 October after morning tea. Reports are available for you to take today. All are welcome to attend this meeting. There will be opportunities for input from everyone.

Nominations received for Church Council: Chris Croucher, Morrie Croucher, Kate Spyker and Adeline Yu.

Nominations will be received at the meeting for two representatives for Synod and Presbytery. Please be thinking of who might be called to serve the wider church at this time.

Zoe Foundation Fund Raiser

Join the St. Andrew's (ridiculous) team of first-time bowlers and spend a spring Sunday afternoon having fun and raising support for a good cause. Sunday 27 October starting at 1:00 pm, 31-39 Norfolk Road Marion, the Zoe Foundation will host a lawn bowls and BBQ afternoon. Cost is \$20 for bowlers, \$18 for members, \$10 for children up to 12, non-bowlers are free. Sausage sizzle and cake stall.

Christmas Cards

A selection of Christmas Cards will be on sale today at Morning Tea time in the hall.

The profits from the sales of the cards go to Outreach Ministry in Central Australia and the Pacific Islands.

Book Group

Our next gathering will be this Wednesday (16 October) at Chris and Morrie Croucher's house (72 Rossal Road, Somerton Park). We will explore the chapter "Twice on Sundays" and watch an ABC Compass interview of Tim Winton, both of which focus on his spiritual journey.

Emergency Contact Information

We will continue to collect your emergency contact information today. If you have a completed form with you or if you still need to fill out a form, Peta will be available in the church immediately following worship for this purpose.

Blokes in the Kitchen

Cooking classes for men over 55—if you are interested in learning how to cook basic soups, main courses and desserts for two, then this 4-week course on Thursdays is for you.

At Temple Church, corner of Military Road and Durham Street Henley Beach on 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th November from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm—Cook it, then eat it!

Cost: \$20 Registration Only Enquiries: 8235 2460

Any queries, please see Joy.

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Readings for Sunday 20th October 2019	This Week at St Andrews:	
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
	The Church is open Tuesday, Thursday and	
Jeremiah 31:27-34	Friday 10.30 am to 3.00 pm.	
Psalm 119:97-104		
2 Timothy 3:14–4-5	Sunday:	
Luke 18:1-8	10:30 am Fellowship in the Hall	
	6:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous Meeting	
Rostered Duties		
	Monday:	
Prayers of the People:	7:00 pm—9:00 pm UnitingCare Glenelg	
Sean Gilbert	Board Meeting	
Scripture Reader:		
Adeline Yu	Tuesday:	
	10:30 am—1:30 pm Op-Shop	
Morning Tea:	11:00 am—1:00 pm Friendship Cafe	
Janet Smith and Joy Dunning	12:00 noon — 2:30 pm Community Aid	
	6:00 pm—7:30 pm Marys' Kitchen BBQ Night	
Birthday Cake:		
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Lisa McGrath	Thursday:	
	10:30 am—1:30 pm Op-Shop	
Side Door after Worship:	11:00 am—1:00 pm Friendship Cafe	
Julie Ferguson and Chris Croucher	12:00 noon — 2:30 pm Community Aid	
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