

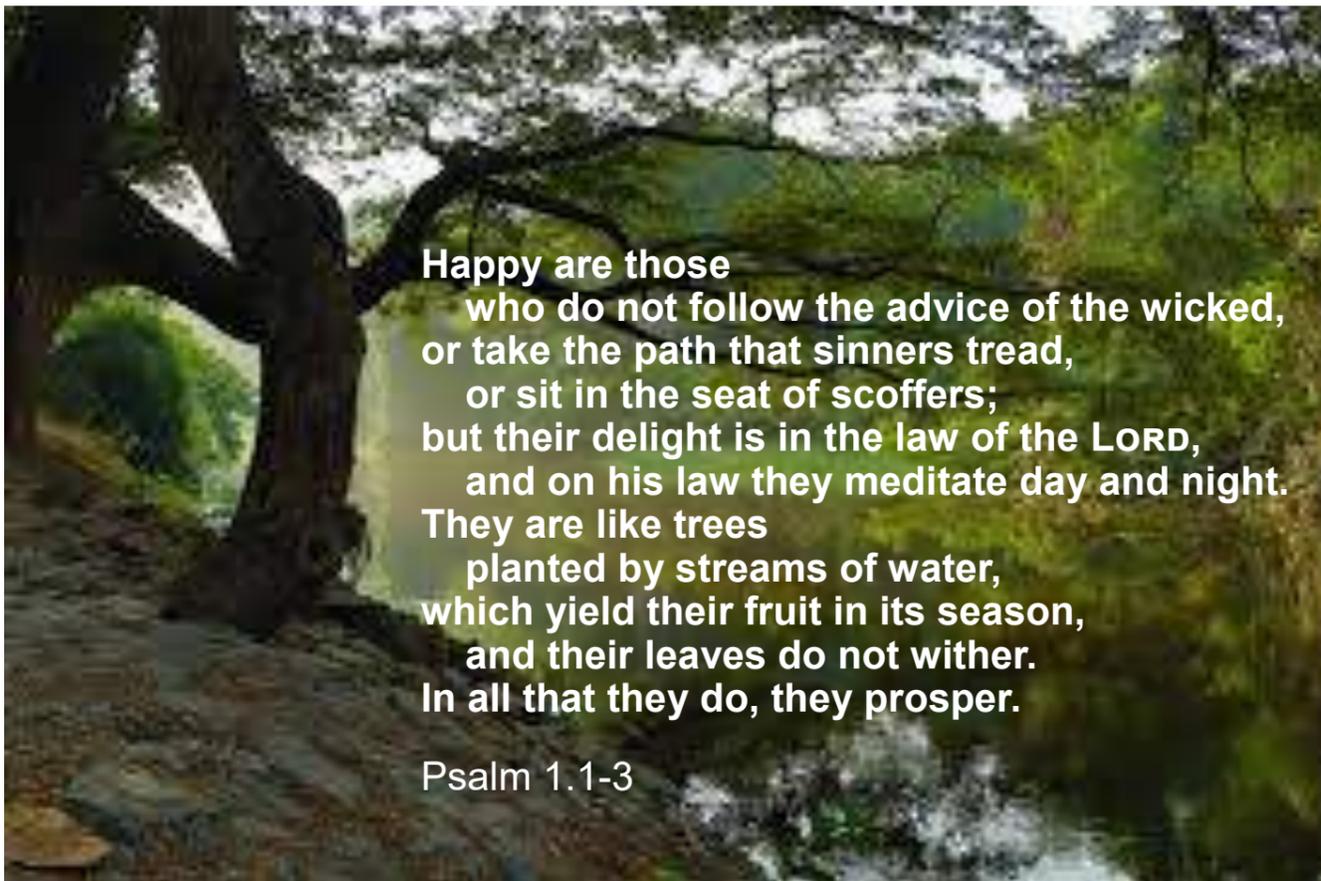
THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

23 September 2018



At Worship Today:

7.45 am (Book of Common Prayer)
Preaching and Presiding: Revd Kathryn

10.30 am (Contemporary Eucharist)
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The Sanctuary bell will be rung 5 minutes before the service begins to observe a time of quiet.

**God and Father of all,
you have taught us through your Son that the last shall be first,
and have made a little child the measure of your kingdom:
give us the wisdom from above,
so that we may understand that in your sight the one who serves is the greatest of all.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

9.00 am (Sung Eucharist)

Preaching & Presiding:

Liturgy Setting:

Processional:

Sentence:

First Reading:

Psalm:

Psalm Response:

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Revd Kathryn

John Ross

TIS 578 How Firm A Foundation

Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

Proverbs 31.10-31

Psalm 1



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Second Reading:

Gospel:

Gospel Acclamation:

Romans 1.8-17

Mark 9.30-37

Owen Alstott



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Offertory:

Choir Anthem:

Recessional Hymn:

TIS 650 Servant Song

Open Thou Mine Eyes. Composer: John Rutter

TIS 531 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

People of all Christian churches, who are communicants of their own church, are invited to share Holy Communion with us

First Reading: Proverbs 31.10-31

10 A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. 11 The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. 12 She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. 13 She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. 14 She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. 15 She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. 16 She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. 17 She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. 18 She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. 19 She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. 20 She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. 21 She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. 22 She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. 23 Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. 24 She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. 25 Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. 26 She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. 27 She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. 28 Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: 29 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' 30 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. 31 Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

Second Reading: Romans 1.8-17

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. 9 For God, whom I serve

with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, ¹⁰asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. ¹¹For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— ¹²or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. ¹³I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as I have among the rest of the Gentiles. ¹⁴I am a debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish ¹⁵— hence my eagerness to proclaim the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, 'The one who is righteous will live by faith.'

Gospel: Mark 9.30-37

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' 32 But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. 33 Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' 34 But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. 35 He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' 36 Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 37 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Notice of General Meeting

Our Parish General Meeting will be held on Sunday 25 November following a joint service.

This notice is to ask all groups to prepare their reports for the Parish Annual Report. Reports are due to the parish office and copied to me by no later than **Friday 26 October**. Further details about nominations for the Parish Council and the meeting will be included in the pew sheet in coming weeks.

Please email your reports to Joan and Parish office.

Please pray for our candidates for First Communion: Cerys, Evan and Rhys.



Palliative Care Talk

On Tuesday 25 September at 1.30pm a speaker from Eastern Palliative Care will be coming to speak to us about aspects of their work, and also about opportunities to volunteer for all kinds of activities from dog walking to transcribing biographies. All invited. Please let us know if you'll be coming.

Former parishioner becomes Archdeacon

The Archbishop has written that "he takes pleasure in announcing the Reverend Jill McCoy as a new Archdeacon.

Reverend Jill McCoy will be collated in St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne on 11 October at the Evensong service." As a former parishioner here, Jill would be thrilled to have some St Stephen and St Mary folk attend to support her in this important event. The service is at 5.10pm which means you can come to the service and be back in Mount Waverley around 7.

In other news, the Archbishop has also announced that former theological student in this parish, The Reverend Nick White, is the successful candidate for the Coordinator Diocesan Partnership's role for the Melbourne Diocese, and he will commence on Monday 8 October 2018.

Please pray for Rev'd Nick, Rev'd Jill and Rev'd Kate Prowd as they take up their new roles.

Our former Assistant Curate, Kate Prowd will be consecrated as a bishop on 6 October at St Paul's at 10.30am.

Public Holiday 28th September 2018

The church office will be closed this Friday.

Monday Sept. 24th. Annual General Meeting beginning with a Eucharist in the Chapel with Rev Kathryn at 1.30pm.

Tomorrow's Eucharist and AGM is open to all. You don't need to be a member to attend and you can bring a friend. Mothers Union is a significant part of the Anglican Communion's ministry of women and to women. You may find this is something you would like to share. Hear our plans for the future and enjoy fellowship over afternoon tea.





**Please join us at the Annual
Ecumenical**



Service

**Sunday 7th October 2018 at 2.30 pm
followed by Afternoon Tea in the
Parish Centre**

MEN'S FORUM

Tuesday 9th October 2018
2pm in Old Church

Guest Speaker: Paul Sinclair
Manager of Blue Cross

"Scotchmans Creek" Aged Care Facility,
Mount Waverley

Topic: "My Journey Through Aged Care"

A Reminder re Forum Christmas Luncheon at
Waverley RSL 13th Nov. Would you please
finalise your acceptance and payment to
David Duncan c/o church by 9th July.

Thank you.

Friends of St Stephen and St Mary Present

Springtime Serenade

Featuring

Cath Connelly – Celtic Harper

Musical Theatre Performers
and the Parish Choir and Music Ensemble

Sunday 21st October 2pm

Adults: \$30, Children: \$20, Family
Ticket: \$80

Afternoon tea included.

Tickets available after services from
September 16th

Mission Boxes

Mission boxes will be collected on the
7th, 14th and 21st October.

**Fashion parade and afternoon tea
at Bishopscourt**

on Saturday the 27th Oct 1.30 to 4pm
supporting 'Dreamstitches'
The tickets cost \$35 and are available from
Marg Crawford or Ros Sahara.

**Kids' Church is now in recess until
14th October.**

Activity packs are
available.



Rev'd Dianne's long-service leave

Dianne is on long-service leave until Tuesday 2nd October inclusive. If you have a pastoral emergency please contact Revd Kathryn Watt

KEEP THE PARISH FLOOR CLEAN

Unfortunately, users of the Parish Centre who consume food in there, especially on Sundays, appear to be strongly averse to ensuring that the floor is clean after they have eaten – or they wrongly assume that someone else will clean up after them. The floor has been left strewn with biscuit and cake crumbs, pastry flakes, blobs of creamy fillings and sundry other food items on so many occasions after Sunday services that the Wardens have run out of the necessary number of fingers and toes to be able to keep count! Grinding the food items into the carpet doesn't hide them either, it just makes them a lot harder to get out! This is understandably causing problems to commercial users of the Centre during the week, so much so that it is potentially jeopardising the commercial viability of the Centre.

So would each and every congregation please ensure that someone has the responsibility to vacuum the floor where people have been eating at the close of gathering. There is a lightweight cordless stick Hoover in meeting room 5 for such a purpose. Please ensure that the Hoover is empty both before using it (so that it works efficiently) and after it has been used. Instructions are on the wall next to the Hoover.

Many thanks, The Wardens

3 Things from Parish Council

- Thank you to parishioners for your generous support of the recent Planned Giving Program. We acknowledge all those who have put in place their increased pledges. If you would like to increase your contribution it is not too late to do this.
- Parish Council has approved the budget for the coming year 2018-2019. This will be presented in the Annual Report and at the General Meeting in November.
- Early planning for the 50th Anniversary of the new church to be celebrated in June 2019 has begun. Watch for more details.

New **Parish Directories** available for collection in the Narthex

Afternoon Meditation Gatherings

1st Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm in the Chapel, based on Ignatian Spirituality. A Sacred Space where you can find rest and stillness, listen and centre yourself. Spiritual food is offered to aid reflection and meditation. Contact Val Dyke **Next session will be on 7 November 2018 (Val is away Sept-Oct).**

Evening Meditation Gatherings

2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 7.30pm in the Old Church, based on the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. Contact Michael Mosley Next session will be on **27 September 7.30pm** in the Old Church, then on **11 October 2018.**

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost - September 23 2018

7.45 am	Book of Common Prayer
9.00 am	Sung Eucharist
10.30 am	Contemporary Eucharist
3.00 - 8.00 pm	Tamil Congregation (Church)
Monday	24
1.30 - 4.00 pm	MU AGM
4.00 - 8.45 pm	Karen Margaret Dance (PC)
Tuesday	25
9.30 - 11.00 am	Yoga (Parish Ctr)
1.30 - 2.30 pm	EPC talk
Wednesday	26
10.30 am	Friendship Group
Thursday	27
10.00 - 11.00 am	Eucharist
7.30 - 8.30 pm	Choir practice (Church)
7.30 - 8.30 pm	Meditation (Old Church)
Friday	28
9.30 am - 12.00 pm	Yoga (Old Church)
Saturday	29
3.00 pm - 9.00 pm	Chinese Church
Sunday	30 Michael & All Angels
7.45 am	Book of Common Prayer
9.00 am	Sung Eucharist
10.30 am	Contemporary Eucharist

mainly music continues to engage with young families. You are always welcome to come along and see what we do. Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10.30am - 12 noon, Parish Ctr, during school term.



Next week: Michael & All Angels - September 30, 2018

Readings:
Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14
Psalm 138
Revelation 12.7-12a
John 1.45-51

Stewards/Welcomers:
BCP N Thevapalan
A Thevapalan
SE G Dellora SS
M Noblett
N Flora
CE Miriam
Rowena

Readers:
BCP John Foster
SE J Brown
H Brown
CE Rowena

Eucharistic/Chalice Assistance:
BCP B de Lacy
SE I Smith
Leonie McLachlan
H Warren
S Retschko
CE Miriam
Rowena

Intercessor:
SE Jenny Bowers
CE Judith



Galahkookemu

Held on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7.00 pm dinner/gathering off site at Mitcham. We explore how to follow the Benedictine way of life in today's world.
www.monasteriesoftheheart.org
Visitors are always welcome.
Contact Christine Mallouhi

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(Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun)

The Revd Kathryn Watt

Children's and Families' Minister

(Tues & Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm)

Becky Sims

Music Director

Brian Copple

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Geoff Crawford

Office Manager

Katherine Rushby

Churchwardens:

Kevin Phillips

John Foster

Rowena Ferguson

Parish Council:

Geoff Crawford, Graeme Dellora, Elaine Fasken, Judith Gibson,
Doug Hastings, Sherredan Maher, Peter Northwood, Joan West

Pastoral Care Ministry:

Aged Care Chaplaincies:

Bruce Chugg

Hospital Visiting:

Clergy

Funeral Ministry:

The Vicar

Contemporary Eucharist Contact:

Rowena Ferguson

Spiritual Director

Val Dyke

Prayer Chain contact

Margaret Syfret

SERVICES: Sunday

7.45am

Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

9.00am

Sung Eucharist (APBA)

10.30am

Contemporary Eucharist (Children's Participation)

Tuesday

9.15am Morning Prayer

Wednesday - Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer

Thursday

10.00am Eucharist

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